



Merrick Hughes

January 12, 1976 - February 9, 2026

Merrick Anton Hughes, 50, of Chicago's Lincoln Park neighborhood, passed away February 9, 2026.

Born and raised in Oak Park, Illinois, the youngest of three. Affectionately known by "Mer", he was a delightful child, and an avid reader. Merrick graduated from Oak Park River Forest High School before joining the U.S. Navy.

Merrick was intelligent and excelled at trivia games. He was a peacemaker who did not like controversy. Talented in the kitchen, he had a meticulous process and passion for cooking. Online gaming was also a big part of his life. His love for Asian culture and Korean Rock was lifelong, especially Ado. He was a wonderful storyteller, gave the best hugs, and had an infectious laugh. Merrick worked as a customer service representative at American Medical Association since 2019.

"Proud uncle" would be an understatement— Mer was very involved and played a significant role as uncle to Angela, Sophia, and Francesco. Merrick was a lifesaver to Sophia, donating a healing platelet transfusion when she needed them most. He was hero to his family.

Survived by his loving sister Maria (Silvio) Visconti, nephew of Claudia (Carl)

Raack, Tim (Mary Ellen) Hughes, and Sally (the late Tom) Hughes. Cousin to many.

Preceded in death by his mother Diane Hughes and brother Bruce Hughes.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to The American Red Cross www.redcross.org.

Services will be private. Merrick chose to be an organ donor with Gift of Hope, and the family has chosen cremation by water.

Arrangements by Inclusive Funeral Care, 773-318-1305 or www.InclusiveFuneralCare.com.

Tribute Wall

JH

“ Rest in peace. Your father. John F Hughes. Just. Found out.

John Hughes - February 14 at 09:24 PM

JH

found out feb. 14 2026. FATHER.

John F. Hughes - March 09 at 08:33 PM

DW

“ Rest in Peace Merrick. If anybody knew Merrick, they would know that he was such a funny guy. Sometimes quirky like reading a book while walking down the street, or making a funny beat in the office. It was never a dull day. Definitely gone too soon. 🕊



Diana Wheeler - February 13 at 08:50 PM

MV

he was a vivacious reader! when he a a little boy he would lock himself in our only bathroom and read for hours! thank your for sharing

Maria Visconti - February 14 at 02:05 PM

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“ Rest in Peace Merrick

richard I oginski - February 13 at 07:45 AM

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Maria Visconti - February 14 at 02:05 PM

AH

“ *My most sincerest condolences to you and your family. I worked with Merrick when he was working at the Chgo Regional Council of Carpenters in the pension dept. He was a very nice guy ; funny and made a great hummus.*

Anna Hernandez - February 13 at 12:00 AM

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thank you for sharing ❤️

Maria Visconti - February 14 at 02:08 PM

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shamika - February 11 at 11:57 AM

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Beautiful thank you so much for coming, for supporting us and most of all for carding about Merrick and giving us the much needed time to spend with him before he made his way home

Maria Visconti - February 11 at 07:57 PM



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Team Inclusive Funeral Care - February 09 at 06:30 PM