



## Christopher Drew Copeland

October 19, 1963 - October 26, 2022

Chris Copeland passed from this earth to join his Heavenly Father on October 26th 2022. Chris was born in Asheville, North Carolina, but he would consider himself a Harriman native through and through. Chris proudly served his community as an EMT and firefighter in Cookeville, TN from 1990-1997 before returning to his hometown and serving through the Oak Ridge National Laboratory from 1997-2011. He was a loving father to two daughters, a dedicated husband, and a loyal son. He enjoyed fixing cars, riding four wheelers, and butter pecan ice cream. While he loved all of those things, there is nothing he loved more than studying the Bible and learning all he could. Chris was fiercely devoted to God and all of His teachings.

He is preceded in death by his father, Frank Copeland; his paternal grandparents, Ruth Copeland and Frank Copeland, and his maternal grandparents, Gerald and Cricket Melton. He is survived by his wife, DeAnna Copeland; daughters, Allie Copeland and Myia Copeland Carney; son-in law Jordan Carney; his mother, Debbie Copeland-Walker; stepfather Gil Walker; stepsiblings Boots Walker, Shelly Walker, Chantelle Koserski, and Maik Koserski; and many aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends who have shared adventures with him.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to CrossRoads Missions. You can donate at <https://fundraise.givesmart.com/vf/Chriscopeland>

or text ChrisCopeland to 71777.

The family will receive friends from 1:00 p.m. until 2:30 p.m. Sunday, October 30, 2022, at Kyker Funeral Home of Kingston with the Celebration of Life to follow at 2:30 p.m. Burial 11:00 a.m. Monday, October 31, 2022, at Roane Memorial Gardens. Kyker Funeral Home of Kingston is serving the Copeland Family.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **30**. 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

Kyker Funeral Homes  
OUR KINGSTON CHAPEL  
PO Box 69, 350 W Race St  
Kingston, TN 37763  
(865) 376-6531  
<https://www.kykerfuneralhomes.com/>

## Celebration of Life

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## Burial

OCT **31**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Roane Memorial Gardens  
1400 N Gateway Ave  
Rockwood, TN 37854

# Tribute Wall

MA

“ *I miss you, little brother*

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**Mark** - February 20 at 01:52 AM

MB

“ *Debbie, I am saddened to hear about Chris. Please accept my sincere condolences. I am thinking about you and Chris's family during this difficult time.*

*Margaret Bailes*

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**Margaret Bailes** - October 29, 2022 at 10:24 AM

JL

“ *Enjoyed the mission trip to Honduras with Chris and Kingston church of Christ in 2017. You "girls" are all in my thoughts and prayers as you grieve the loss of your husband, father and son. Adapting to life without him will be a challenge! Love and prayers.....*

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**Jo Newport Latimer** - October 28, 2022 at 08:25 PM

JB

“ *We were so blessed to have gotten to call Chris a friend. One of the kindest souls we have ever met. He will be so missed!*



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**Jason & Angie Birge** - October 28, 2022 at 07:44 PM

CH

“ I have lost a true friend, Chris and I started at the Cookeville Fire Dept. in 1990, we started together at Putnam EMS in 1994. We also served together with Putnam Fire. We were close friends for 32 years. We spent many weekends at his home in Harriman, we rode jet skis, we canoed, we tubed, and sometimes extreme tubing. My family was his family and vice versus. Chris and I spoke throughout the years when we went separate ways. We each had a picture of us together, and each time we spoke I would say I still have our picture, and he would say I still have mine. I saw his kids along with my daughter grow up. Chris was the true meaning of friendship, I know he loved me until his last breath. I will miss him dearly, but I knew of his pain. I know he is no longer hurting, and that gives me some peace. Chris has the greatest mom who has called me son all these years. She welcomed us in to her home and treated us with overwhelming kindness, and has everyday since. The memories we have shared with Chris and his family will live in my heart and memories forever. He is gone way too soon, and there will be a void in my heart until I meet him again. Goodbye my friend, you were always there for me, I loved you as much as you loved me!!!!

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**Chris Holmes** - October 28, 2022 at 07:39 PM

MM

“ 3 files added to the album Trips



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**Michael E Murray** - October 28, 2022 at 05:17 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Christopher Drew Copeland.*



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October 28, 2022 at 03:51 PM



“ *Chris was such a Honest Great Spirit Human as ever there was, really enjoyed his friendship at Putnam 911 EMS WHAT A GOOD MAN!!!!HEAVEN has truly got an ANGEL.....*

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**Phillip Harris** - October 28, 2022 at 03:34 PM