



Christopher E. McGuinn

September 24, 1969 - August 15, 2021

Christopher E. McGuinn (51) passed away of natural causes Sunday August 15, 2021, at his home in Manassas, VA.

He was born September 24, 1969, in West Covina, CA son of Mary (Farley) Pateras and Francis J. McGuinn.

He spent his youth in Ventura, CA with annual summer visits with “Ockie” and family in Wildwood, NJ. A graduate of Ventura (CA) High School he entered the US Army serving five years with the 25th. Infantry Division, Schofield Barracks, HI as a Stinger Missile section leader participating in Operation Desert Storm.

Chris’s professional career was in the foodservice industry operating retail chain restaurants in the Southeast and Mid – Atlantic regions.

He was an avid sports fan, primarily Chelsea FC Football.

Of all things, Chris was focused on the wellbeing and best interests of his three sons, Conen, Nick and Alex.

Chris is survived by two sons, Nick Mutter (Long Beach, MS) and Alex Mutter McGuinn (Remington, VA), his brothers Nick Pateras (Ventura, CA) & A.J. Pateras (Lompoc, CA), his parents Mary Pateras (Ventura, CA) and Francis (Pam) McGuinn (Avon, CT) as well as his beloved aunts Mary Jane (McGuinn) Roache and Carol Anne (McGuinn) Grant.

He was preceded in death by his son Conen (2018) and stepfather Alex Pateras (1990).

Services will be private at the request of the family. Donations may be made in

memory of Chris to a charity of your choice. A private toast with premium Irish whiskey to Chris and the Chelsea Blues would be a fitting remembrance.
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Tribute Wall

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“ *Sending Love to Chris's family. I am so sad to hear of his passing. I have many awesome memories of my relationship with him and I only wish I could have seen him one more time. Love you Chris! ❤️*



Ryan Cross - August 22, 2021 at 07:01 PM

FQ

“ I had the pleasure of meeting Chris about year ago. In this short time, Chris stood out for his dedication to his team members, he wanted to better everyone he worked with. One specific memory that stands out to me is this past Mother’s Day, I had to go to Bella to pick up some bags and he was already at the store when I arrived at 9:30 am. When I asked why he was there so early, he said he had come early to get the day organized at Bella so that he could go and spend the day at the Winchester location that needed a lot of attention.

I recently started spending a lot of time with Chris the last two weeks and I had just promoted him less than a week before his passing. He was so excited and had big plans for his team. I was at Bella Pizza with him on Saturday, and spent some time with him. Little did I know this would be the last time we would speak. Chris’s energy and dedication to the business stood out and the pride he took in his work was truly a breath of fresh air. Chris will be deeply missed by me and the CRG family. We will honor his memory, legacy and dedication to his work with a yearly “The McGuinn Manager of the Year award”

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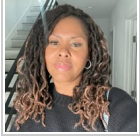
Fouad Qreitem - August 21, 2021 at 09:56 PM

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Peter Guidry - August 20, 2021 at 06:34 PM



“ A little over 8 years ago, I trained with Chris at Zoës to open the Philly market. From the moment we met we just clicked. Chris always had my back, and and always had a kind word, long after we stopped working together. He was loyal to everyone he loved, whether it was his family, friends or team. I always admired Chris’ ability to go into the worst situations, turn things around, and get people behind him. Chris was colorful, incredibly smart, and had a wicked sense of humor. As I struggle to comprehend the reality that Chris is gone, I can’t help but to think about all the times he had me in tears, laughing at his stories, and shenanigans. There will never be anyone else like Chris. He was a unique soul, and I feel blessed for having known him, if even for a moment in time. Rest In Peace my friend. My condolences to the family.

Imani Williams Jeffrey - August 20, 2021 at 05:34 PM

FM

“ Thank you all for the insights and emotions you have shared on this page. They add depth and color to my understanding of this wonderful man and loving son.

He was my wingman, shaman and great fortune.

Slainte!

Francis McGuinn - August 20, 2021 at 10:17 AM

RB

“ From the moment he walked into Bella Pizza and laid out his entire plan for revitalization there I knew I had met someone special. Chris in the short time span that I knew you , you helped mentor and showed me how to move up the ladder of success and that it really wasn't all that tedious. Who knew when we last spoke on Saturday evening it would be our last... We all have lost a tremendous talent and a man who always strived to give his all every work day. Chris rarely took days off because he was a warrior and had a master plan in the end. May you Rest In Peace Chris “The Super Chief” and I'm just ecstatic that you were able to witness Chelsea win the Champions League may they win it again in your honor this coming year. I miss you greatly from the phone calls and store support we shared together and it just isn't the same without them. But your legacy will carry on and I will do my due diligence to ensure no at Capital Restaurant Group forgets what you delivered and stood for in this company.

Ryan Bell - August 20, 2021 at 10:05 AM

KB

“ Chris- my mind is still blown, I stare at the chair you were last sitting at my house. Stare at the bottle you gifted us, Irish drink of course, Remember our chats and I still can't believe we won't see you again. I will cherish our memories forever. I am Still looking forward to 9/24 to celebrate our birthdays together, thank you for all you gifted us in earth my friend. Your nephews miss you already, we are not family by blood but we certainly loved each other like one. Rest In Peace Chris McGuinn “Caycho”, until we see each other again,

Karla Caycho Barahona - August 19, 2021 at 11:52 AM



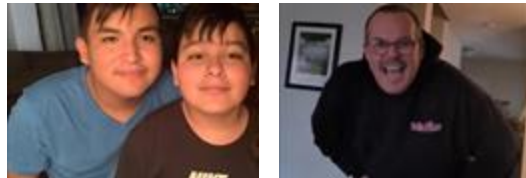
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August 19, 2021 at 11:43 AM



“ *Chris is more than a friend to me, a brother that my family were very happy to see in every reunion or special event with us, he was present at the birth of my children, Alonso and Fer will remember you forever; present in my ups and always 200% present in my downs, my mentor in this hospitality business and a huge part of what I am now; always proud when he talked about his family and his heritage, the best Chelsea fan and the guy who can change your mood in one second, no complaints and nothing I would change of him, RIP Chris "Caycho" , I added a new line in my bucket list, be present in a Chelsea game with your name in a jersey, love you bro, and you'll be present in every step of my life, cheers.*



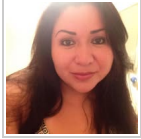
Erick Caycho - August 19, 2021 at 11:30 AM



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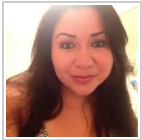
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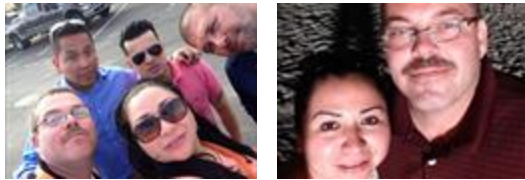
“ Conny Pineda purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Christopher E. McGuinn.



Conny Pineda - August 19, 2021 at 10:29 AM



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Conny Pineda - August 19, 2021 at 10:18 AM



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Keith Miller - August 19, 2021 at 09:51 AM



Park Potomac - Chris, Nick, Keith and Ron Shaich

Keith Miller - August 19, 2021 at 09:54 AM

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Chris was loved and respected by all who had the pleasure of knowing him - including his coworkers at Paisano's,- many of whom have known Chris for many, many years.

Chris had just been promoted and was seen as an important part of Paisano's future. We miss Chris and know he is in peace

Ed Kelley

Ed Kelley - August 19, 2021 at 10:22 AM



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San Diego - Chris, Conny, Erick and Keith

Keith Miller - August 19, 2021 at 09:55 AM

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“ 1994 until now is truly a lifetime of memories shared with Chris both personally and professionally. My wife Sarah and I are so thankful for the times we shared. Through many professional "rodeos" together I can say this; if there is one person you want to take into battle, it was Chris. Never questioned the why, only to be side by side working together to accomplish common goals. A true "Warrior!" You won't find a man with greater tenacity.

Personally, that is where the fun begins and never ended. That big bold laugh behind the square rimmed glasses, infectious, no one could help but enjoy the wit and one liners for which Chris was known. The propensity for libations we shared only added fuel to all the great times we shared together and with many friends over the years.

The big hearted Chris was evident in many ways, the tough exterior, a façade. One of my favorite memories in recent years was a Black Sabbath concert that we attended together along with another great friend Nick and my son Austin. After the show, as we were trekking back to the truck; Chris ran past everyone to the dude selling concert shirts. He bought four, not even knowing what size they were and gave them to us just because he wanted us to have one to remember the show and time together. That's Chris. My son often refers to that night and began his own friendship with Chris, generations together.

My deepest sympathy goes out to Chris' sons, to whom he was ever so committed and to the entire family. Please know that Chris positively impacted more lives than can be counted. When you are used to seeing and speaking with someone several times a week and then nothing but silence; it is what makes losing Chris so hard. I never took our friendship for granted, always embracing times together. I miss him tremendously.

Rest in Peace Chris, Sarah, Austin and I miss you and find our own peace in the memories we will always share.

Keith Miller

Keith Miller - August 19, 2021 at 09:07 AM

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“ Chris and I worked together for more than 25 years. It was a true privilege to know him. He was a supremely committed and strong leader. He literally never turned down a request to help any of the organizations we worked for through many different events. He would run to the fire and quickly solve the problem. His work ethic was amazing. Much more importantly, as we become much better friends than actual colleagues, it was clear that his sons and family came first. He was extremely proud of them! As I am an committed Arsenal FC fan and Chris a huge Chelsea FC fan, we both lived for weekend EPL games and loved to rile each other up when our teams would meet. He was on the winning side most of the time. We also would meet for midweek champions league games at an Irish pub in Arlington. Memories that I will always cherish. I can only say that when I spoke to Chris for the last time this past Saturday, he was on top of the world. Both personally and professionally. He could not have been in a better place. He was also over the moon, when Chelsea FC won the Champions League this past May. I am so happy for him that he experienced that moment. I have attached a picture he shared with us on that day. I would finish by sharing that I have been devastated by his loss and still continue to reach for my phone to check in with him only to remember he has left us. I have never had any individual support me professionally more than Chris. I would never be able to thank or repay him enough in this lifetime. Chris, Rest In Peace, “until we meet again, may god hold you in the palm of his hand”

Peter Guidry. Go Blues! Slainte!



Peter Guidry - August 19, 2021 at 06:06 AM