



Christopher Athman

November 14, 1961 - December 6, 2019

Christopher “Chris” Athman, 58-year-old resident of Milaca, MN passed away with his family at his side on Friday, December 6, 2019 at the St. Cloud Hospital in St. Cloud, MN. Visitation will be held from 5 PM to 7 PM on Tuesday, December 10, 2019 at Holy Cross Catholic Church in Onamia, MN. A Funeral Mass will be held at 10:30 AM on Wednesday, December 11, 2019 at Holy Cross Catholic Church in Onamia, MN with Father Greg Poser, OSC officiating. Visitation will also be held 1 hr. prior to Mass. Interment will be in Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery. Arrangements are with the Shelley Funeral Chapel of Onamia.

Christopher Mark Athman was born on November 14, 1961 to Jerome and Delores “Jean” Athman in Onamia, Minnesota. He passed away on December 6, 2019 from pancreatic cancer. Chris graduated from Onamia High School in 1980. He married the love of his life, Renè Lillian Henry on October 30, 1982. They have five sons, Donald “DJ” Jerome Henry, Andrew August Christopher, Phillip Clarence Michael, Christian Gordon Harris, and Syrus Alexander Pacheco. Chris was a meat cutter for many years before working for Coborn’s for 18 years. He lived for his family and grandkids, Spencer, Mercedez, Joseph, Gregory, and Daniel. He loved deer hunting, gardening, and woodworking. Chris made many beautiful dressers and the cross for Lakeview Community Church in Hillman. He will be dearly missed by both his family and his Coborn’s family.

Chris is survived by his wife, Renè; sons; and grandkids; mother, Jean

Athman; brothers, Doug and his friend, Penny of Reno, NV, Jeff (Peggy) of Shell Lake, WI, Bob (Shellie) of Onamia, MN, Bruce (Jeri Ann) of Elk River, MN; sister, Dawn (Dave) Osterman of Hillman, MN; and Renè's family, her mother, Bonnie Faust and father, Donald Henry; siblings, Ellen (Paul) Nieken, Jeff Henry, Vicki Nieken, Dianne Holmquist, Bonnie Miers, Jean (George) Esbensen, Michael Henry, and goddaughter, Kim (Miers) Lagermeier; and many loving nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Jerome Athman; nephew, Michael; brothers-in-law, Donald Henry Jr. and Jim Miers; sisters-in-law, Lucy Jacobson and Debbie Athman.

Cemetery Details

Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery

Onamia, MN 56359

Tribute Wall



“ *Christopher Athman*

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ *Chris's 'Hi Mary' was always the highlight of my day when I worked at Coborns. His warm and genuine smile will forever add a brightness to many, many peoples lives. He made a big difference in this world where kindness is so needed, and appreciated. He lives on through all of us as we aspire to be a little more considerate.*



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