



Christopher Webb Bayuk

January 30, 1960 - September 26, 2023

Christopher Webb Bayuk, beloved son and father, passed away on September 26, 2023 at his home in Yreka. We will forever remember him for his sense of humor, endless empathy and kindness.

We love you Dad, always and forever.

Tribute Wall



“ 5 files added to the album Obituary Wall



Girdner Funeral Chapel - April 27 at 03:46 PM

JM

“ Thinking of Chris with deep gratitude and still with sadness. Chris was the only attorney who compassionately listened to my children's and my devastating plight and filed an incredible motion that I'm now using 3 years later, heading to trial. His kindness, patience and skills on not only my case but those of friends who needed him was so much more than 'just' being an attorney. He truly cared and carried our burdens and we think of him often. Our deepest condolences to his family. -Jill Montes

Jill Montes - April 18, 2025 at 12:00 AM

KP

“ I remember Chris we are younger we play basketball down at Jackson Street he was so good very kind guy we didn't hang out much do to the age difference but when we saw each other she always give me the time of day straight up stand up man

Kenneth Pease - February 24, 2024 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ *he looks like Dana hard to believe he is gone*

Thomas Morgan - December 20, 2023 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ *My sincere condolences to his family. Chris brought a lot of laughter to our office.*

Bree B. - December 19, 2023 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ Chris Bayuk was a friend from college and a colleague in the legal profession who I would sometimes contact to get his read on a given case. Having graduated from UC Davis together and finished law school about the same time he was a natural sounding board to bounce ideas off as he was a sensible, knowledgeable and practical attorney.

We used to play in an over-the-line softball tournament in San Diego at Fiesta Island right after our college years and I will always remember the team name: "A Two at Ten is a Ten at Two", which Chris, Greg deSurville, Jim McMahon, Danny Mythen and John Antracoli had come up with. It was much tamer and less profane than some of the other team names we would hear as we drove onto the island over the loud-speaker. We never got very far into the tournament and were always "one and done" (never making the second weekend) but I think we often led the event in beer consumption.

I invited Chris to an annual golf tournament that I host in Sonoma County and in 2022 he made the event only to be called home on the second hole-the Cal Fire Battalion Chief called with news that the family ranch was at risk from the wildfires and that Chris' mom and the animals needed to be evacuated. The last time I saw him was that day as he grabbed his clubs, his music speaker, and various other items he had for the day for us to share was walking back to the clubhouse and parking lot.

In 2023, Chris had signed up and was going to attend the golf event again but about a week before the tourney he called and said that he was in the hospital, that he did not know what was wrong, but that he was undergoing a lot of testing to figure out what was going on. Unfortunately, the diagnosis was dire and he passed away before we were ever able to finish our round of golf. Hopefully he is playing some heavenly courses now.

Our prayers and thoughts go out to Chris's family.

CH

“ Chris was an outstanding lawyer. He was thorough in all that he did for his clients. Special in so many ways. Humble, funny, real, quick on his feet, confident and authentic. A stand up guy that was set apart from the rest. Loved his children deeply and was so proud of who they became. I'm blessed to have known him. Love and prayers to his family.

Claire Heath - October 11, 2023 at 12:00 AM

ET

“ I am grateful and feel blessed to have known Chris Bayuk. I consider him both a friend and advocate. Chris was wise and compassionate beyond measure. His legal skills and calm demeanor distinguished him as a lawyer's lawyer. My wife worked on several long trial cases with Chris and in doing so, I was honored to have witnessed his wisdom, broken bread over many meals, and to have shared laughter and discussion. I remember being so moved by Chris's grasp of complex law and his ability to cut chaff from grain, that I discussed nominating Chris for judgeship. I am truly grateful to have been gifted with Chris's friendship and to have been witness to his love of family, humility, and compassion for others. He was a gifted human being and will be sorely missed by more people that he may have ever realized.

Eric Turkel

Eric Turkel - October 11, 2023 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ When God made Christopher W. Bayuk, Esq., God gave the practice of law a legal champion to protect the rights of the good and just. CWB prevailed in hard fought legal battles using his intellect and skill to ensure Justice prevailed. He tirelessly attacked false claims and won all while remaining civil, professional and dapper. A true legal genius, my respected colleague and comrade CWB is missed.

Thank you to Christienne Black for introducing CWB and me. He loved his family, friends and pets and was a phenomenal role model living an honorable life.

I have so many more cases where I need his legal and ethical genius. But, I will make him proud as he looks over us from Heaven. I will carry on his torch of righteousness and civility in the pursuit of Justice.

I am quite certain that Heaven needed him to serve as a Supreme Court Justice to deny appeals from bad guys trying to sneak into heaven. This might be why our beloved CWB had to leave us too early... no doubt for the greater good just like he lived his life.

Thank you CWB. You made an indelible mark on my life and on challenging cases that you won for me and my client referrals.

My heartfelt prayers and condolences for CWB's loving family and friends.

Lisa G. Salisbury, Esq.

Lisa Salisbury - October 10, 2023 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ Our dear and loved Classmate Chris from day 1 starting at Kindergarten all the way through out last day of our senior year at Yreka High School. You have always been a special friend and will be missed by all who knew you! I will never forget your wonderful smile your contagious laugh and your loving and witty personality! Life is short, you certainly made life better for many! May you be at peace our friend ❤️
Jenny Colt Parker

Jenny Parker - October 09, 2023 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ Chris was the best of friends, and worked with me when I needed help with a difficult case. He took over the case when I was very sick and did an amazing job. He became a close friend to myself and my husband.
Chris was always encouraging and so wise. His observations were sometimes so funny I still laugh at the memory of his opinions and wry but kind words. We will miss him always, and I will try to be the kind of lawyer he was. Kind, wise, respectful and absolutely brilliant. He was the best lawyer, and the best guy to have in my corner for any legal battle.

Merritt McKeon - October 09, 2023 at 12:00 AM

JV

“ Chris will be greatly missed, but he is at rest with his special Dad, Robert was so loved too, miss him so much.

Jane Valentine - October 06, 2023 at 12:00 AM

DN

“ Chris we were so close growing up and have so many memories together. We grew apart after high school but we both know we were always in each other's hearts. Love you and I will never forget you my friend.

Don Nosler - October 05, 2023 at 12:00 AM

DN

“ Watching the 1970 NBA Championship games on your reel to reel in your bedroom. Lakers vs Knicks. After watching for what seemed like hours we went outside and played the games your court. Thank you my friend

Don Nosler - October 05, 2023 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ High School pictures of Chris he belonged in the Interclub Council, these pictures were from his Senior year 1978.
The other two pictures are Student body pictures.

Jenny Parker - October 04, 2023 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ Condolences to Chris's family. 💔

Arlene Berwick - October 04, 2023 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ One of the best souls ever. I will miss your special smile and twinkle in your eyes. My heart goes out to all your family.

Jennifer Scott - October 03, 2023 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ Deepest sympathy to all the family 🙏🙏❤️

Mike-Michell Rothenberger - October 02, 2023 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ Forever in our hearts. Funny, witty, and loyal... best friend ever!

Michelle Myers - October 02, 2023 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Chris you were one of the good ones. You were kind, honest, funny, polite, a hard worker, and so much more. You were in school with my sister. I was just a kid and I remember you played basketball. We reconnected at my sisters service. I will dearly miss you.

Mary Stidham - October 02, 2023 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ My deepest sympathy for the family. ❤️

Lisa Casson - October 02, 2023 at 12:00 AM

DT

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Donna Kleaver Thompson - October 02, 2023 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Girdner Funeral Chapel

A Memorial Tree was planted for Christopher Webb Bayuk - October 02, 2023 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ *Chris will be greatly missed by his friends and certainly his family.
Deepest sympathy for all of you.*

Carol Hockaday Forneris - October 02, 2023 at 12:00 AM