



Christian Gregory Decker

November 22, 1971 - October 10, 2024

Christian Gregory Decker of Wilmington, NC, entered eternal rest on October 10th, 2024, after a courageous journey with pancreatic cancer. A man of many passions, Christian spent two decades working as a professional chef in Philadelphia before embracing a new path in science. In his late thirties, he returned to university and earned a master's degree in chemistry, transforming his culinary creativity into a love for the lab. He spent his final years as an analytical chemist with Alcami Corporation in Wilmington.

Christian's adventurous spirit and reverence for the beauty of God's creation were defining aspects of his life. Those who knew him experienced his deep connection to nature and faith. His later years were filled with hikes through the Appalachians and religious pilgrimages, including visits to sacred sites like Our Lady of Guadalupe, Medjugorje, and his final transformative journey completing the 500-mile Camino de Santiago in August.

Christian is survived by his loving wife and fellow chemist, Jacqueline Powell; his devoted parents, Gregory and Theresa Decker; and his sister, Jessica Hand, her husband, Michael, and their children, Stella and Lucas. Christian's life was a testament to faith, love, and the pursuit of both knowledge and adventure. He will be deeply missed but forever remembered.

Services will be held on Thursday, October 24th, at Saint Mark Catholic Church at 1011 Eastwood Road, beginning with the Rosary at 9:30; Visitation at 10:00; and Mass of Christian Burial at 11:00 followed immediately by inurnment in Saint Mark's columbarium.

Tribute Wall

KY

“ Christian, it was an honour to have met you during the last few days of the camino. Thank you for sharing with me your stories, which made me think deeply about how and with whom we should spend our limited time on earth. Gonna think of you whenever I see the changes in the sky during dawn break.

Ken Yew - November 04, 2024 at 04:17 PM

JM

“ Our deepest sympathy. Your family is in our prayers.

Joe and Laraine Mazur - October 22, 2024 at 05:01 PM

AB

“ Christian was a pleasure to know and work with. Wishing his family peace, love, and healing.

Amanda Berry - October 17, 2024 at 10:15 AM

BB

“ Sympathy from the Balderson Family.

Bob&Josie Balderson - October 16, 2024 at 06:34 PM

CG

“ Christian was one of my closest friends for a most of my life. I loved him and he will always be a part of who I am. I am glad that he has found peace.

Christopher Griffith - October 16, 2024 at 11:39 AM