



Christina R. "Chris" Francoeur

April 6, 1968 - November 17, 2025

Christina R. "Chris" Francoeur, age 57, of Bourbonnais passed away Monday, November 17, 2025 at Riverside Medical Center in Kankakee. She was born April 6, 1968 in Kankakee, the daughter of Roland & Freda (Saunders) Wolfe. Chris married Darrin Francoeur on October 25, 2008 in their home in Bourbonnais.

Chris worked in financial aid at Olivet Nazarene University, her alma mater, where she made lifelong friendships including her core group, The Golden Girls. She loved the outdoors, especially hiking and swimming with her husband. Chris loved reading, crocheting, and most of all spending time with her family. She had a deep faith in God.

She attended Cornerstone Church and was raised at College Church of the Nazarene.

Surviving are her husband of 17 years, Darrin Francoeur of Bourbonnais; her children, Meghan (Matt) Samples of Reddick, Andrew (Alyse) Leavitt of Portage, MI, Aaron (Natasha) Leavitt of Jackson, MI, Logan Leavitt of Los Angeles, CA, Micaela Leavitt of Bourbonnais, Hailey Francoeur of Niceville, FL, Nicholas (Marissa) Francoeur of Momence, and Jared Francoeur of Bradley; her mother, Freda Wolfe of Bradley; one sister, Deborah (Michael) DeVore of Kankakee; eight grandchildren; and several nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts, and uncles. Chris is preceded in death by her father and maternal and paternal grandparents.

Visitation will be held from 10am until 11:30am with the funeral to follow at

12pm (noon) on Thursday, November 20, 2025 at College Church of the Nazarene in Bourbonnais. Cremation rites will be accorded following the service.

Memorials may be made to the Riverside Cancer Center.

Arrangements by Schreffler Funeral Home in Kankakee.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **20**. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

College Church of the Nazarene
200 University Ave
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 933-7749

Funeral Service

NOV **20**. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

JA

“ I grew up with Chris as a mentor and friend. As I grew into being a teenager and young adult we became close friends. She was one of the kindest people you could ever meet. She was everyone’s best friend. I was just about to call her for one of our long chats when I found out we had lost her. I’m devastated for the loss of such a dear friend. My prayers are with her family and everyone that loved her.

Jana Atchley - November 20, 2025 at 06:41 PM

CS

“ I will always remember how kind and fun Chris was during the College church Lone Tree Bible Ranch days. Prayers for the friends and family, Christy Reinhart (now Skelly)

Christy skelly - November 20, 2025 at 05:04 PM

TF

“ We will cherish our memories of Chris from when she was a chatty and sociable little girl and as a woman full of energy with a never-ending smile and a love for life. Our favorite memories are the family visits at Grandma Mabel's house and recent visits to Gallipolis and sharing Remo's chili dogs. She will be missed and never forgotten.
Uncle Roger, Aunt Sue, Kim, April and Holly

THE SAUNDERS FAMILY - November 20, 2025 at 12:26 PM

RS

“ Roger S. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Christina R. "Chris" Francoeur.

Roger S. - November 20, 2025 at 11:00 AM

DK

“ Darcy & Donn Kane lit a candle in memory of Christina R. "Chris" Francoeur



Darcy & Donn Kane - November 19, 2025 at 07:25 PM

KS

“ I grew up with Chris and have so many memories from childhood, middle school, and high school it is hard to pick one. What stands out the most to me is all the slumber parties she had. Her house was the best place for slumber parties. I don't know if her mother Frieda would agree because we were kind of loud. I was with Chris at one of her slumber parties when I first saw the Thriller video. And I also remember her dog Blacky. Her mom would make us breakfast in the morning. Then later in high school we were always at someone's house or roller staking or on some teen trip. After high school I moved to Seattle for college and the rest but we managed to visit whenever I came home for Christmas. She was loyal, fun, and kind. The world is a better place because she was in it. - Kathleen Dunbar Story

Kathleen R Story - November 19, 2025 at 05:08 PM

BH

“ Brett & Mallory Haug purchased the "Memories of you" garden stone for the family of Christina R. "Chris" Francoeur.



Brett & Mallory Haug - November 19, 2025 at 04:10 PM

LD

“ So many great memories of our cousin time spent together at Grandma & Grandpa Saunders or at one of our parents houses as we only live a few hours apart. She was smiling every time I saw her, even as an adult.. Hard to believe she is gone grateful to know where she is and that I'll see her again!

Lance Dubea - November 19, 2025 at 09:33 AM

JA

“ I was blessed to work with Chris the last 2 1/2 years at ONU. She was working remotely when I started, but made sure she reached out and welcomed me to the team and introduced herself when she came into the office. Chris was so friendly and giving. She radiated joy and will be so missed.

Jill (Unger) Allen - November 18, 2025 at 10:41 PM

DH

“ So sorry for this loss. Chris was always so kind and welcoming to me. Sending all my thoughts to her family.



Danielle Horton - November 18, 2025 at 03:15 PM

PL

“ Sorry for your loss



Paul and Antione leach - November 18, 2025 at 02:51 PM