



Christopher Paul Bender

May 19, 1970 - April 2, 2025

Christopher Paul Bender was born on May 19, 1970, in Plainfield, New Jersey, and passed away on Wednesday, April 2, 2025, in Owasso, Oklahoma, at the age of 54. Chris lived a life defined by love, laughter, and a contagious optimism that brightened every room he entered.

Chris completed his education in Owasso, Oklahoma, and proudly graduated with the Owasso High School Class of 1988. He went on to attend Tulsa Vocational School, where he earned his Airframe and Powerplant license. He spent most of his professional career in quality control with NORDAM.

Chris was involved in his community, spending years coaching his son, Tyler's, baseball teams and sharing his love of the game. He also had a generous heart, raising thousands of dollars for the Multiple Sclerosis Society through his famous cookie sales. His passions included baking, hunting, fishing, and cheering for the New York Yankees. Known for his lively spirit, ornery nature, and endless jokes, Chris had a way of making everyone feel like a friend—because to him, they were.

He dearly loved his grandchildren who affectionately knew him as “Poppy”.

Those he leaves behind who hold many cherished memories include:

Wife, Kelly

Children, Tyler Bender and wife Elaine

Ashley Bender and husband Lukus

Grandchildren: Carter Hughes, Maisie Bender, and Winnie Bender

Sister, Arlene Hausher and husband Tim

Brothers, James Bender and wife Sherry

Kevin Bender and wife Dorcas

Kirk Bender and wife Debbie

Mother, Pat Bender

He was preceded in death by sister, Corinne Bender, brother, Keith Bender, and uncle, Charles Anderson.

Chris will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him, but his laughter and kindness will live on in the hearts of those he touched.

Funeral service will be held 2:00 p.m. Monday, April 7, 2025, at First Church in Owasso. There will be an open casket viewing on Sunday 2 pm until 4pm.

Final resting place will be at Graceland Memorial Park Cemetery in Owasso, Oklahoma. Arrangements and services were entrusted to Mowery Funeral Service of Owasso.

www.moweryfs.com

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 6. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Mowery Funeral Service
9110 N. Garnett Rd.
Owasso, OK 74055
(918) 272-6244
<https://www.moweryfs.com/>

Funeral Service

APR 7. 2:00 PM (CT)

First Church
10100 North Garnett Road
Owasso, OK 74055

Memorial Fund

APR 7.

National Multiple Sclerosis Society Memorial Fund
<https://donate.nationalmssociety.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=donorDrive.personalCampaign&participantID=686971>

Memorial Fund

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St. Jude's Memorial Fund
https://fundraising.stjude.org/site/TR?px=8767593&fr_id=154020&pg=personal©_link_share

Tribute Wall

CS

“ Chris and Randy Scott purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Christopher Paul Bender.



Chris and Randy Scott - April 06, 2025 at 01:07 PM

TF

“ The Titzer Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Christopher Paul Bender.



The Titzer Family - April 05, 2025 at 08:50 PM



“ Forever Our Angel Bouquet was purchased for the family of Christopher Paul Bender.



April 04, 2025 at 06:04 PM

AF

“ Alexander Family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Christopher Paul Bender.



Alexander Family - April 04, 2025 at 01:34 PM

KM

“ Chris was an amazing man, full of joy and spunk and boy did he like to joke around. My family spent a lot of time with his family , not only were we neighbors for years but we were good friends, we laughed and spent many hours at the ball field together watching our boys play ball. He always called on birthdays , holidays, Mothers Day and everything in between. He had the best heart and always smiling despite his MS he never complained and he always made everyone around him fell special and he truly cared about people. Kelley, Tyler and Ashley we loved your daddy and our hearts are breaking for you. Prayers for comfort and peace. We love you all, The Millers

kandie Miller - April 04, 2025 at 01:08 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Christopher Paul Bender.



April 04, 2025 at 12:37 PM

SJ

“ What an incredible man Chris was! An admired person that I truly cared about. He fought a tough battle. His strength and his love was shared to everyone. Blessings to Kim, Tyler, Ashley, and all of his family and grandchildren. 🙏🙏🙏
❤️ Mrs. Sandie January

Sandie January - April 04, 2025 at 11:52 AM

SJ

Whoops, I mean Kelly! Duh!!

Sandie January - April 04, 2025 at 11:55 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Christopher Paul Bender.*



April 04, 2025 at 11:28 AM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Christopher Paul Bender.*



April 04, 2025 at 10:26 AM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Christopher Paul Bender.*

April 04, 2025 at 10:26 AM