



## Christopher A. Larkin

January 8, 1977 - June 14, 2025

In Loving Memory of Christopher Anthony Larkin

January 8, 1977 – June 12, 2025

PIPPIN: I didn't think it would end this way.

GANDALF: End? No, the journey doesn't end here. Death is just another path, one that we all must take. The grey rain-curtain of this world rolls back, and all turns to silver glass, and then you see it.

PIPPIN: What? Gandalf? See what?

GANDALF: White shores, and beyond, a far green country under a swift sunrise.

PIPPIN: Well, that isn't so bad.

GANDALF: No. No, it isn't.

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Christopher Anthony Larkin, who left us too soon at the age of 48 due to an undiagnosed medical condition. A gifted artist, soulful poet, good friend, and a fantastic son and brother to our family, he touched the lives of many through his creativity, kindness, and quiet strength.

Though he had no children of his own, Chris was a beloved son, sibling, uncle, nephew, and friend. He is survived by his mom, Marilyn Larkin and his siblings Patrick, Erin, Colin, Ian, and Duncan. All of us will remember his warmth, his wit, and the quiet way he made life better just by being in it.

Chris was born in Richland, WA, and grew up in Benicia, CA. He graduated

from Stonehill College in the Boston, MA area majoring in history. After college, Chris worked in the video game industry. He was most proud of his work as part of the creative team that developed Guitar Hero. Chris was instrumental (pun intended) in creating the Guitar Hero games. Chris picked the music in Guitar Hero I and II, so if you hear "I Love Rock 'n' Roll" by Joan Jett & The Blackhearts, " or "Smoke on the Water" by Deep Purple, please think of him. Guitar Hero made those songs popular again.

Our brother was the youngest in our family and a pillar of strength and selflessness. Before our dad passed, our brother gave him not just physical care, but dignity and love. After we lost our dad, he turned his focus to our mom, supporting her with patience, tenderness, and unwavering presence. He never asked for recognition, but the love he showed speaks volumes about the kind of man he was— selfless, steady, and full of heart, our family is stronger because of him.

"Life is about having a good time and having candy, not putting roaches in your hair" -Dr. Steven Brule.

# Previous Events

## Vigil Service

JUN 20. 6:00 PM (PT)

St Dominic's Catholic Church  
475 E I St  
Benicia, CA 94510  
(707) 747-7220

## Mass of Christian Burial

JUN 21. 1:00 PM (PT)

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475 E I St  
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# Tribute Wall



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Christopher A. Larkin.



June 26, 2025 at 04:37 PM



“ Eva and Seán purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Christopher A. Larkin.



**Eva and Seán** - June 23, 2025 at 07:42 PM



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

June 21, 2025 at 05:11 PM



“ The Dominicks planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Christopher A. Larkin.

**The Dominicks** - June 21, 2025 at 01:02 PM

TD

“ *The Dominicks purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Christopher A. Larkin.*



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**The Dominicks** - June 21, 2025 at 01:02 PM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Christopher A. Larkin.*



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June 20, 2025 at 10:31 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Christopher A. Larkin.*



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June 19, 2025 at 08:49 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Christopher A. Larkin.*



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June 19, 2025 at 07:48 PM

FF

“ From the Vermeire and Peterson Families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Christopher A. Larkin.

From the Vermeire and Peterson Families - June 19, 2025 at 05:27 PM

FF

“ From the Vermeire and Peterson Families purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Christopher A. Larkin.



From the Vermeire and Peterson Families - June 19, 2025 at 05:27 PM

LL

“ Lincoln, Mary Rose & Michelle Lee purchased the Love's Journey for the family of Christopher A. Larkin.



Lincoln, Mary Rose & Michelle Lee - June 19, 2025 at 03:44 PM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Christopher A. Larkin.



June 19, 2025 at 02:42 PM

AC

“ Aunties Bette, Liza, and Carolyn purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of Christopher A. Larkin.



Aunties Bette, Liza, and Carolyn - June 19, 2025 at 02:10 PM

DT

“ Demian, Greg, Mike, Jana, Rich, Laura and Theresa purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Christopher A. Larkin.



Demian, Greg, Mike, Jana, Rich, Laura and Theresa - June 19, 2025 at 01:14 PM

DT

“ Demian, Greg, Mike, Jana, Rich, Laura and Theresa planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Christopher A. Larkin.

Demian, Greg, Mike, Jana, Rich, Laura and Theresa - June 19, 2025 at 01:14 PM

LM

“ Love from Carolyn, Kelle, and Mark purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Christopher A. Larkin.



Love from Carolyn, Kelle, and Mark - June 18, 2025 at 10:58 PM

TG

“ Tom Grundig planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Christopher A. Larkin.

Tom Grundig - June 18, 2025 at 05:30 PM

TG

“ Tom Grundig purchased the Sweet Solace Spray for the family of Christopher A. Larkin.



Tom Grundig - June 18, 2025 at 05:30 PM

JC

“ John, Anne, Monica, Sarah & Chip purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Christopher A. Larkin.



John, Anne, Monica, Sarah & Chip - June 18, 2025 at 02:37 PM

PD

“ There is not enough room on the internet to write about Chris Larkin. He had an almost aggravating amount of talent that could be celebrated here; he could draw, paint, and write with equal skill. The few scraps of his output that are in my possession will be treasured for the rest of my life. On top of that, almost everything he did was suffused with a sense of humor that was sharp, quick, insightful, and unflappable. Oh god, how I'm sure we will all miss that humor. I have long suspected that Chris possessed a shard of the Blarney Stone, or some other magic totem that made him so convivial, but I know that his greatest resource was that he was a "Larkin," and that he grew up in a large family that celebrated warmth, intelligence, and kindness. Chris proudly and capably represented that tradition. Chris had a capacity for friendliness like I had never seen, and which I worry I won't see again now that he is gone. He was effortlessly comfortable around everyone, and he made people comfortable around him and one of the best ways that I can think to honor his memory is by remembering and trying to match the positive spirit that he brought to every day of his life. Chris, you were a titan on this earth, and you will be dearly missed.

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Peter Dominick - June 18, 2025 at 01:37 PM



“ A grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Christopher A. Larkin.

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June 18, 2025 at 01:14 AM