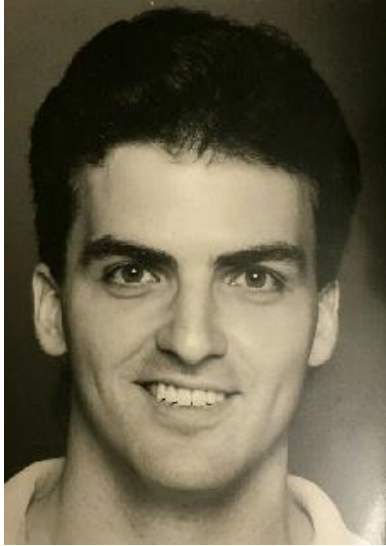


OBITUARY



Christopher Aloysius Lavery - June 28, 2018.

Chris was born at a young age in Denville, NJ. He spent his first five years in Dover before the family moved to Hackettstown. Growing up the youngest of six children born to Jack and Ruth (Farrell) Lavery, Chris displayed his artistic talents by playing saxophone in the band, performing in plays, and singing in the chorus. His interest in macrame resulted in countless projects sharing our home.

Chris graduated from Hackettstown High School in 1984. He spent his junior year as an exchange student in Rio de Janeiro, and mastered Brazilian Portuguese within three months. That's where his journey as a polyglot began. Studying at Virginia Tech, he added Spanish, Russian, Japanese and Greek to his growing list of languages acquired. While at Virginia Tech, Chris was a member of The New Virginians, singing and dancing for audiences up and down the east coast.

His first real job took him to Spain, teaching English to local businessmen ahead of the 1992 Summer Olympics in Barcelona. Subsequent stops in his professional career took him to Germany, Malaysia, Indonesia, Austria and Poland. From these bases, he travelled extensively, and added Catalan, German, Viennese and Polish to his collection of lingual proficiencies. In addition to his parents, Chris is survived by his siblings: Robin, JT (Cheryl), Timothy, William (Melissa) and Lynn Ann (John). Chris enjoyed spending time with friends and family, especially his nieces and nephews: Liam, Ava, Trystam, Kristine, Kevin, Chris, Maia, Sara, Jack, Leah and Mark, and great nephew Logan.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Cochran Funeral Home. Special thanks to Ann Edwards, the staff at Hackettstown Hospital, and Karen Ann Quinlan Hospice.

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