



## Christopher Ryan Cummings

January 15, 1979 - April 2, 2026

Christopher Ryan Cummings, 47, of Charlotte, Michigan, a man known for his love for his family passed away tragically, after a short battle with an aggressive form of lung cancer, on April 2, 2026. He was surrounded and comforted by his family at the time of his passing.

Christopher was born to Dean Thomas and Patricia Ann (Day) Cummings on January 15, 1979 in Lansing, Michigan during the great blizzard of 1978/79. By the time he was a year old he was half the size of his mother and bright blond headed with a wicked smile and as wild as the storm he was born under.

Over the years it became clear Chris was a fierce friend, one whom you could call for pretty much anything. Chris was generally ready to help fix a car, dig a trench, mow a lawn, or right a wrong all day, any day. He loved his various jobs over the years from lumber to construction, landscape to auto mechanic. However, his proudest accomplishment was from a job that didn't even pay - being part of the CJO organization. Chris loved coaching basketball and football and did it for years, season after season. Being part of those teams and groups of people, watching the kids he coached grow and succeed gave him so much joy. It is something he felt was an honor.

Chris married the love of his life Allison Kay Bertram on November 4, 2017. Together, they built a life centered on love, hard work and raising their 3

children, Lhiannan Kae, Aiden Christopher and Kain Dean Thomas, who were at the heart of everything he did.

Also at the heart of everything he did was the Michigan Wolverines - GO BLUE! He was known to also enjoy a nice round of golf with some good company or a drink at the bonfire. Even falling asleep in his hammock to a cool breeze was considered a good day. Chris loved the simple things, Family, Friends, Love.

Christopher is survived by his wife, Allison Kay; children, Lhiannan Kae (Rudy Colbry) McConnell, Aiden Christopher (Chloe Calton) Cummings and Kain Dean Thomas Cummings; parents, Marc and Patricia Ann Smith; siblings, Chelsea Afton (Justin) Buchholz, Brent Thomas (Brittany) Cummings, and Adam Joseph (Alissa) Smith; nieces, Ellie, Morgan and Blaire; nephews, Weslee and Wheeler. With special mention to his granddaughter Harlee Kae Colbry to whom he is Papa and she was the apple of his eye. He is preceded in death by his father, Dean Thomas Cummings, and infant sister, Lindsey Rae Cummings.

Friends are encouraged to support Chris's family by attending services or sharing memories on his Tribute Page at [www.prayfuneral.com](http://www.prayfuneral.com). Visitation will be held from 2:00 - 4:00 and 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 9, 2026, at Pray Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, April 10, 2026, at Pray Funeral Home with Laura Cooper officiating. Burial will take place in West Carmel Cemetery. The funeral will be webcast so you may watch it from any computer, smartphone, or mobile device that has internet access. Go to [www.prayfuneral.com](http://www.prayfuneral.com), click on Chris' tribute, then click on Photos and Videos from your computer (or Media from your smartphone). If desired, the family suggests memorial contributions to a fund that is to be established for Chris' son, Kain's education, in care of Allison Cummings. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.



# Cemetery Details

## West Carmel Cemetery

5016 Carlisle Highway  
Charlotte, MI 48813

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 9. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Pray Funeral Home  
401 W. Seminary St.  
Charlotte, MI 48813

## Visitation

APR 9. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Pray Funeral Home  
401 W. Seminary St.  
Charlotte, MI 48813

## Funeral

APR 10. 11:00 AM (ET)

Pray Funeral Home  
401 W. Seminary St.  
Charlotte, MI 48813

## Burial

APR 10. 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Webcast in memory of Christopher Ryan Cummings

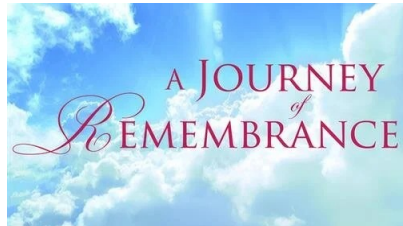


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**Pray Funeral Home, Inc.** - April 10 at 09:12 AM



“ Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Christopher Ryan Cummings



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**Pray Funeral Home, Inc.** - April 07 at 03:48 PM

MN

*Beautiful video. Gonna miss you brother. Rest easy my friend, I love you.*

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**Mark Neal** - April 09 at 09:41 PM

AL

“ Allison lit a candle in memory of Christopher Ryan Cummings



Allison - April 10 at 04:44 PM

MN

“ I even lit the blue candle for you brother, that's hard coming from a Sparty. Going to miss you, rest easy brother. I love you big bro. 🤝  
❤️ 100



Mark Neal - April 09 at 09:44 PM

LB

“ I am holding your family in thought and prayer in this very difficult time. My deepest condolences..  
Lori Fremody Brown

Lori Fremody Brown - April 09 at 05:34 PM

TS

“ Tessa Stoltzfus lit a candle in memory of Christopher Ryan Cummings



Tessa Stoltzfus - April 09 at 08:22 AM



“ 1 file added to the album *Life Tributes*

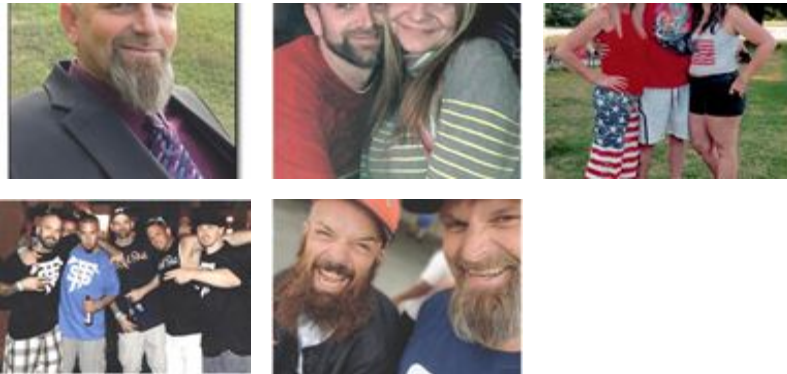


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**Pray Funeral Home, Inc.** - April 08 at 12:18 PM



“ 55 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Pray Funeral Home, Inc.** - April 07 at 03:47 PM



“ *Cindy Raines lit a candle in memory of Christopher Ryan Cummings*



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**Cindy Raines** - April 07 at 03:38 PM



“ *Tender Tribute was purchased for the family of Christopher Ryan Cummings.*



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April 06 at 08:37 PM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Christopher Ryan Cummings.*



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April 06 at 09:34 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Christopher Ryan Cummings.*



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April 05 at 05:56 PM



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

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April 05 at 05:56 PM

CD

“ Charlotte DPW planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Christopher Ryan Cummings.

Charlotte DPW - April 05 at 02:28 PM

CD

“ Charlotte DPW purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Christopher Ryan Cummings.



Charlotte DPW - April 05 at 02:28 PM



“ Dee Cummings lit a candle in memory of Christopher Ryan Cummings



Dee Cummings - April 05 at 02:00 PM

DC

My mom (Grandma Perry) was so proud of him because we went to Walmart, and he was there with Aidan, who must have been a month old. She said, "Well, you don't see that very often." She thought he was such a good father. I don't know how many times she told me and other people that story. 😊

Denise C Cummings - April 06 at 05:54 AM

PS

“ Patricia Smith lit a candle in memory of Christopher Ryan Cummings



Patricia Smith - April 04 at 12:49 PM

PS

*Baby boy we have had some good times and some really bad times.....but that is all water under the bridge as grandpa Joe used to say. You couldn't have been loved more than you are by the love of your life Allison. She bent every rule in the book to take care of you baby the best she knew how. I will keep my promise to you to watch over them all and make sure they are not wanting for anything ever. Your tattoo on your heart read Love Mom Always but now I say to you Love Always Mom..... but listen closely my son because I will never stop talking with you daily. Please come get me when it's my time because you know I am terrible with directions. Just not to soon ok. 💔*



Patricia Smith - April 04 at 12:59 PM