



## Christian Karl Thommen, Jr.

June 8, 1957 - June 8, 2017

Christian Karl Thommen, Jr. passed away unexpectedly on the day of his birth, Thursday, June 8, 2017. He was born in Monroe, WI on June 8, 1957, the third child to Christian and Lucille (Kaderly) Thommen. He married the love of his life, Laurie Blum, on August 5, 1978 in Juda, WI. Chris graduated from Juda High School in 1975 and spent his life proud to be a dairy farmer, devoted to the land and farm he loved. He was passionate about collecting and restoring muscle cars, giving new life to several automobiles, most notably, he was saving up to restore his 1969 Plymouth Road Runner. For the past 20 years, Chris could be found driving his old truck around, a vehicle he just couldn't bring himself to part with. He often would drive with his dogs. Talking about life and solving the world's problems with his sons during milking was a pastime Chris held dear. The time he spent with his family in the barn and while working the land was important and precious to him. Chris loved to talk about the old days with his family, always emphasizing the importance of the past. He enjoyed family gatherings with his sisters and their families. Fall was his favorite time of year especially deer hunting with his boys and Thanksgiving dinner. Chris was always willing to give a helping hand to his neighbors and friends. Those close to him will remember him for his humor and his kind and caring heart. He is survived by his wife, Laurie (Blum), his two children, Christian (Dawn) and Eric (Darci); three sisters, Pam (Carl) Clair, Sherry St. John, and Yvonne (Alan) DeVoe; three grandchildren, Christian, Nathan, Haley and a granddaughter on the way. He also is survived by

several nieces and nephews whom he thought a lot of. He was preceded in death by his parents and nephew, Parker St. John. Memorial Services will be held at 11 a.m., Thursday, June 15, 2017, at the D.L. NEWCOMER FUNERAL HOME, BRODHEAD, WI with his brother-in-law, Carl Clair, officiating. Burial will be in Union Cemetery, Oakley, WI. Visitation will be held on Wednesday from 4 p.m. until 7 p.m. at the funeral home. A memorial fund will be established.

# Tribute Wall

CD

“ A candle was lit by Chris, Dawn, Christian, Nathan, Haley and Rusty Dogg

on June 9, 2017 5:46 PM

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**Chris, Dawn, Christian, Nathan, Haley and Rusty Dogg** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

PC

“ A candle was lit by Pam & Carl Clair

on June 9, 2017 7:24 PM

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**Pam & Carl Clair** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

BR

“ A candle was lit by Becky and Mason Reynolds

on June 9, 2017 7:28 PM

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**Becky and Mason Reynolds** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

GS

“ A candle was lit by Gregg & Lisa Sutherland

on June 9, 2017 7:37 PM

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**Gregg & Lisa Sutherland** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

DF

“ A candle was lit by Debra Reynolds & Family

on June 9, 2017 8:14 PM

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**Debra Reynolds & Family** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

TT

“ A candle was lit by Terry Thommen

on June 9, 2017 8:14 PM

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**Terry Thommen** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

DF

“ A candle was lit by Debra Reynolds & family

on June 9, 2017 8:43 PM

*Although it's difficult today  
to see beyond the sorrow,  
May looking back in memory  
help comfort you tomorrow*

*Post a reply*

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**Debra Reynolds & family** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

TT

“ Today and always,  
may loving memories bring you  
peace, comfort, and strength.

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**Terry Thommen** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

VM

“ A candle was lit by Vickie Miller

on June 10, 2017 5:23 AM

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**Vickie Miller** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

DW

“ A candle was lit by Don and Brenda Wahl

on June 10, 2017 5:41 AM

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**Don and Brenda Wahl** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

DD

“ A candle was lit by Dennis Dalton

on June 10, 2017 5:44 AM

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**Dennis Dalton** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

TH

“ A candle was lit by Todd & Trish Hoesly

on June 10, 2017 6:07 AM

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**Todd & Trish Hoesly** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

JB

“ A candle was lit by Jim and Kim Bauman

on June 10, 2017 6:49 AM

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**Jim and Kim Bauman** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

JJ

“ A candle was lit by Jim & Julie Jaeggi

on June 10, 2017 7:26 AM

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**Jim & Julie Jaeggi** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

CZ

“ A candle was lit by Carl and Susan Zweifel

on June 10, 2017 7:31 AM

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**Carl and Susan Zweifel** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

CZ

“ We are so sorry to learn of Chris's passing. Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers at this sad time. May the memories you shared be close in your hearts and bring you comfort in the days and months ahead. ❤️🙏

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**Carl and Susan Zweifel** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

WS

“ A candle was lit by Wendy and Randy Schupbach

on June 10, 2017 7:54 AM

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**Wendy and Randy Schupbach** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

KB

“ A candle was lit by Kathy, Greg, Liz, Mike, Nick Blum

on June 10, 2017 8:04 AM

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**Kathy, Greg, Liz, Mike, Nick Blum** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

GG

“ *A candle was lit by Glenda and Andy Gerber*

*on June 10, 2017 8:28 AM*

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**Glenda and Andy Gerber** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

JA

“ *So sorry to hear this news. May God Bless you Laurie and your family as you go through this very sad and tough time. Much Love. Jayne and David Walters*

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**Jayne** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

JW

“ *A candle was lit by Jayne and David Walters*

*on June 10, 2017 8:35 AM*

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**Jayne and David Walters** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

ES

“ *An Arboricola Plant was ordered on June 10, 2017*

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**Expression of Sympathy** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

RF

“ *A candle was lit by Randy & Brenda Fowler family*

*on June 10, 2017 11:48 AM*

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**Randy & Brenda Fowler family** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

DF

“ A candle was lit by Dennis and Cindy Haberman and Family  
on June 10, 2017 1:54 PM

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**Dennis and Cindy Haberman and Family** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

CA

“ A candle was lit by Cherri, Tom, Cara, Sean, Cillian, Kevin, Beth,  
Mark, Amanda

on June 10, 2017 4:12 PM

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**Cherri, Tom, Cara, Sean, Cillian, Kevin, Beth, Mark, Amanda** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

RT

“ A candle was lit by Randy and Deb Thompson

on June 10, 2017 4:22 PM

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**Randy and Deb Thompson** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

KA

“ A candle was lit by Kristine Kehm Armitage

on June 10, 2017 4:37 PM

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**Kristine Kehm Armitage** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

JJ

“ I am shocked and sadden . Chris was one of the nicest men ever . He always spoke so lovingly of his family . Cutting his hair for many years was such a fun time lots of laughs and wild stories of the past . You are in my thoughts and prayers ..... he was always proud of his boys

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**Jane St. John** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

DK

“ A candle was lit by Doug and Janice Knight  
on June 10, 2017 8:43 PM

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**Doug and Janice Knight** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

EB

“ A candle was lit by Eileen Buttke  
on June 10, 2017 9:18 PM

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**Eileen Buttke** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

GH

“ A candle was lit by Gary and Jan Hartwig  
on June 10, 2017 9:19 PM

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**Gary and Jan Hartwig** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

RV

“ A candle was lit by Rita Vickers  
on June 10, 2017 10:37 PM

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**Rita Vickers** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

RV

“ I am sorry to learn of this sad news. Chris will surely be missed, but may fond, loving memories remain in your hearts and bring you comfort.. My sympathy and prayers to you during this difficult time.

Rita Vickers - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

TN

“ A candle was lit by Tim and Deb Newman  
on June 11, 2017 8:25 AM

Tim and Deb Newman - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

ES

“ A SPATHIPHYLLUM was ordered on June 11, 2017

Expression of Sympathy - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

SS

“ A candle was lit by Shirley and Bruce Sutherland  
on June 11, 2017 10:01 AM

Shirley and Bruce Sutherland - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

PN

“ A candle was lit by Peggy and Don Niedermeier  
on June 11, 2017 10:20 AM

Peggy and Don Niedermeier - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

MS

“ A candle was lit by Mike & Donna Schneider

on June 11, 2017 10:32 AM

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**Mike & Donna Schneider** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

ES

“ An AZALEA PLANT was sent on June 11, 2017

Our sincere sympathy.

Dennis & Diane Sternig

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**Expression of Sympathy** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

DS

“ A candle was lit by Dennis & Diane Sternig

on June 11, 2017 11:07 AM

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**Dennis & Diane Sternig** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

DS

“ Such a kind and gentle man. You surely will be missed.

Dennis & Diane Sternig

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**Dennis & Diane Sternig** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

RM

“ A candle was lit by Randy and Judy Miller

on June 11, 2017 12:55 PM

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**Randy and Judy Miller** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

SH

“ A candle was lit by Steve and Heidi

on June 11, 2017 1:28 PM

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**Steve and Heidi** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

DF

“ A candle was lit by Denise Ford

on June 11, 2017 2:55 PM

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**Denise Ford** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

PB

“ A candle was lit by Pat Budsberg

on June 11, 2017 4:51 PM

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**Pat Budsberg** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

ES

“ An AZALEA PLANT was ordered on June 11, 2017

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**Expression of Sympathy** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

DB

“ A candle was lit by Dan and Judy Baldwin

on June 11, 2017 5:44 PM

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**Dan and Judy Baldwin** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

EG

“ A candle was lit by Eric and Darci Thommen and future granddaughter

on June 11, 2017 5:47 PM

Eric and Darci Thommen and future granddaughter - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

JB

“ My sincere sympathy to the Thommen family. I remember the family living near us south of Brodhead. May your happy memories be with you always. I'm very sorry for your loss.

Janet Green Bartz - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

RW

“ A candle was lit by Raymond and Julie Walmer

on June 11, 2017 6:20 PM

Raymond and Julie Walmer - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

TK

“ A candle was lit by Todd, Lori, Ava, Ashley and Tristan Kaderly

on June 11, 2017 6:23 PM

Todd, Lori, Ava, Ashley and Tristan Kaderly - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

LL

“ A candle was lit by Linn and Cindy Lederman

on June 11, 2017 6:53 PM

Linn and Cindy Lederman - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

KF

“ A candle was lit by Kevin & Kathy Rowe and family  
on June 11, 2017 7:17 PM

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**Kevin & Kathy Rowe and family** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

KA

“ Laurie and Family-  
You are forever in our thoughts and prayers! So very sorry for your  
loss!  
Love,  
The Pettit Family

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**Kathy** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

DB

“ A candle was lit by Dick and Debbie Boyer  
on June 12, 2017 7:01 AM

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**Dick and Debbie Boyer** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

ES

“ A THE COLOR OF MEMORIES TABLE ARRANGEMENT was sent  
by Kim, Stan, Nathan, and Ben May on June 12, 2017

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**Expression of Sympathy** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

ES

“ A TRADITIONAL FUNERAL BASKET was ordered on June 12,  
2017

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**Expression of Sympathy** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

CR

“ A candle was lit by Chad and Natalie Robinson  
on June 12, 2017 8:46 AM

Chad and Natalie Robinson - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

PJ

“ A candle was lit by Pat and Julie Harrington, Jenna and Jayci  
on June 12, 2017 8:49 AM

Pat and Julie Harrington, Jenna and Jayci - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

ES

“ A GARDEN PATH was ordered on June 12, 2017

Expression of Sympathy - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

ES

“ A Peanut Basket of Mixed Plants was ordered on June 12, 2017

Expression of Sympathy - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

EF

“ We are so sorry and send our deepest sympathy to the Thommen family. Chris was a kind hearted guy and always good for a laugh or two. He will be missed by everyone who knew him.

Everett and Judy Fowler - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

EF

“ A candle was lit by Everett and Judy Fowler  
on June 12, 2017 10:24 AM

Everett and Judy Fowler - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

JB

“ *A candle was lit by Jeff and Donna Blair*

*on June 12, 2017 12:23 PM*

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**Jeff and Donna Blair** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

DB

“ *Laurie and Family. I was so very, very sorry to read that Chris had passed away. He was a very special classmate. Your almost 40 years of marriage must have left you with many wonderful memories to live by. My heart is saddened, but please know you are In my thoughts. Time will heal, but for now the loss is unbearable. May he rest in peace.*

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**Donna Blair** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

RJ

“ *We are so saddened by the passing of Chris. He was such a genuine and down to earth person. I always enjoyed talking with him and sharing about what was going on in our families. He told me more than once how much he missed his boys once they had left the farm and how much he adored his family. He will be missed.*

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**Randy and Kim Johnson** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

RJ

“ *A candle was lit by Randy and Kim Johnson*

*on June 12, 2017 2:02 PM*

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**Randy and Kim Johnson** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

ES

“ A Loving Memories was ordered on June 12, 2017

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**Expression of Sympathy** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

ES

“ A Boston Fern was sent on June 12, 2017  
With love and hugs,

*Ben, Sylvia, and Bethany*

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**Expression of Sympathy** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

JR

“ A candle was lit by Joe and Tammy Robinson

*on June 12, 2017 8:25 PM*

*May all those fond fun memories help get you through this difficult time. He will be deeply missed. Love and hugs to all*

*Post a reply*

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**Joe and Tammy Robinson** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

RZ

“ A candle was lit by Roger&Flynn zimmerman

*on June 12, 2017 8:44 PM*

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**Roger&Flynn zimmerman** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

RZ

“ forever remember and miss all the good times

Roger zimmerman - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

AD

“ A candle was lit by Alan, Yvonne, Katlyn, Samantha, and Dean DeVoe

on June 12, 2017 9:14 PM

Alan, Yvonne, Katlyn, Samantha, and Dean DeVoe - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

VK

“ A candle was lit by Virgil and Judy Keller

on June 13, 2017 1:37 PM

Virgil and Judy Keller - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

SJ

“ A candle was lit by Sherry St. John

on June 13, 2017 7:49 PM

Sherry St. John - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

MF

“ Chris and Dawn and Family, we are so sorry for your loss, prayers to you and your family. The Boarini Family

Mark and Kathy Boarini and Family - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

CC

“ A candle was lit by Cara, Sean, and Cillian

on June 14, 2017 6:17 AM

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**Cara, Sean, and Cillian** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

ES

“ A TROPICAL DISH GARDEN WITH FRESH FLOWERS was ordered on June 14, 2017

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**Expression of Sympathy** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

ES

“ A GRANDMA'S GARDEN TABLE BASKET was ordered on June 14, 2017

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**Expression of Sympathy** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

ES

“ A TRADITION AND SPLENDOR was ordered on June 14, 2017

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**Expression of Sympathy** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

BW

“ A candle was lit by Bob & Jouselith Waelti

on June 14, 2017 12:49 PM

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**Bob & Jouselith Waelti** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

ES

“ A TRADITIONAL FUNERAL BASKET was ordered on June 14, 2017

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**Expression of Sympathy** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

LL

“ A candle was lit by Lon and Michelle Lederman

on June 15, 2017 11:33 AM

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**Lon and Michelle Lederman** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

JM

“ A candle was lit by Judy Miller

on June 15, 2017 12:35 PM

*Laurie and Family,  
this has to be most difficult time in your life. Chris was a fun loving  
classmate that always had a smile for everyone. He will always be  
remembered for his love of cars and Elvis! What a wonderful  
person, husband, father and grandfather he was. may you all find  
peace as you hold all your memories close to your heart knowing  
that you will see him again. Rest in Peace Chris! you will be missed  
by many.*

*Class of '75  
Judy Miller*

*Post a reply*

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**Judy Miller** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

JZ

“ A candle was lit by Jodie & Steve Zimmerman

on June 15, 2017 6:05 PM

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**Jodie & Steve Zimmerman** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

AS

“ A candle was lit by Alan & Debbie Sperry

on June 16, 2017 8:55 AM

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**Alan & Debbie Sperry** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

AS

“ A candle was lit by Alan Sperry

on June 16, 2017 9:03 AM

*I feel like I just lost a brother!!! Very Sorry.*

*Post a reply*

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**Alan Sperry** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

CH

“ Laurie and family,  
I just heard about Chris's passing. I am sorry for your loss. May your memories bring  
you comfort and give you strength during this difficult time.  
Cindy

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**Cindy (Meier) Haberman** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

CH

“ A candle was lit by Cindy Haberman

on June 19, 2017 2:17 PM

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**Cindy Haberman** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

TB

“ *A candle was lit by Tim And Melody Balsiger*

*on June 22, 2017 9:17 PM*

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**Tim And Melody Balsiger** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM