



Christopher E. Abbott

April 28, 1940 - February 3, 2018

Christopher Edward Abbott of Ocean City, NJ passed away peacefully on February 3rd in Penn Valley, PA, surrounded by his family.

Memorial service will be at 11:00 am on Saturday, February 17 at Narberth Presbyterian Church 205 Grayling Ave, Narberth, PA 19072 with a reception to follow.

Chris was born in Philadelphia to Paul and Jane Abbott on April 28th 1940. He attended high school at Lansdowne Alden. He married Jane Dormon 50 years ago minus 31 days. He graduated from West Chester University with a Masters in Education. He was the Maître D' for years at Watson's Restaurant in Ocean City. He started the world famous Christle Collage in Ardmore, PA, owned Critiques gift shop in Stone Harbor, a realtor extraordinaire in PA and NJ, and was the creative, mesmerizing author of the masterpiece, "Don't Leave Me, French Fries".

Chris is preceded in death by his parents Paul and Jane, brother Paul, and sister Barbara.

Chris is survived by his loving wife, Jane; brother-in-law Bill and his wife, Sarah; sister-in-law Betsy and her husband, Tim; son Scott and his wife, Melissa; daughter Tiffany and her husband, Tod; daughter Jaimee and her

husband, Jim; nephews Paul, Ross, Paul, and Johnny; nieces Elizabeth and Jessica; grandchildren Christopher, Natalie, Caitlin, Scott, Tyler, Blake, Christian, and great grandson, Jace. Along with anyone he ever called Grimmie!

Memorial donations may be given to the Deacon's Assistance Fund at Narberth Presbyterian Church. The Abbott family wishes to extend our sincere thanks to Coastal Christian Ocean City, Narberth Presbyterian Church, and everyone who has been walking through this battle with us. You know who you are!

Previous Events

Life Celebration

FEB 17. 11:00 AM (ET)

Narberth Presbyterian Church
205 Grayling Avenue
Narberth, PA 19072

Tribute Wall



“ I knew Chris from my days in Ocean City NJ many years ago. I was introduced to him by his sister, Linda whom I knew quite well. She told me Chris and I were born on the same day...10 years apart! I am just learning of his passing. Deepest condolences to the family. RIP, Chris!

Russell Smith - June 15, 2025 at 10:19 PM

LB

“ I was going to write Chris via looking up a address on the computer to tell him how much I enjoyed reading his book "Don't Leave Me, French Fries" to learn of his passing.

I visited a friend for the first time in Ocean City and within less than 2 hours I was at the historic museum with his book in my hand. I just finished reading his book and much of our lives have similarities as I was raised in the restaurant business that my parents owned. His book has touched me as I recognized all the expressions he used, so I know our ages were close. Best of wishes to his family who is missing him very much.

*Linda Bellile
Millersville, PA*

Linda Bellile - August 27, 2018 at 01:38 PM

BC

“ I was so sorry to hear of Mr Abbotts passing!!! I actually just came across an article today with the name of his book, "Don't leave me, french fries" I remembered him instantly as a teacher I had in 6th grade at Gladwyne Elementary School. He was an amazing teacher - all the kids adored him!!! We also loved to hear about his summers in Ocean City. Years later, I loved seeing him in Christle Collage miss that store to this day!!!!
Just wanted to let you know that he really made a big impression on this student and am so sorry for your familys loss. ❤️

Betsy Clemence - March 31, 2018 at 11:39 PM

AD

“ May the peace of Christ and comfort of the Holy Spirit surround the Abbott and Dorman families during this difficult time of saying goodbye to Chris. Jan and I still have a Christmas wreath that Chris and Jane gave us as a wedding gift 34 years ago.
April Pierce Van Dyke

April Pierce Van Dyke - February 09, 2018 at 08:18 PM