



Kristopher Mance Ralston

August 8, 1971 - January 25, 2015

Kristopher Mance Ralston, 43, passed away in Springdale, Arkansas Sunday January 25, 2015. Kristopher was born and raised in Carthage, MO; He was a 1989 Carthage High School graduate, and a member of the First Christian Church. Kris attended Crowder College where he was a co graduate of the year; He attended Central Missouri State University and was named Athletic All Region from 1992 to 1993 and named Athletic All-American in 1993. Kris was drafted by the Kansas City Royals Professional Baseball team and was selected as Top Prospect for 1993 in the Northwest League, and selected to Carolina League All-Star Team in 1994, Named as Top Prospect for KC Minor League System in 1995. Kris played on Caribbean World Series Team in 1996 and spent 1996 Season on the Major League Roster; unfortunately two separate arm surgeries ended his career. Kris attended Missouri Southern University in Joplin Where he graduated with a Bachelor of Science a Double Major in Biology, Environmental Health and a Chemistry Minor, he was inducted into Alpha Chi with a GPA of 3.79 in 1999 and named Environmental Health graduate of the year in 1999. Kris worked for Schreiber Foods in Carthage for 14 years where he was promoted to increased levels of authority and responsibility at multiple locations throughout his employment, including Team Advisor, Team Leader, Distribution and Logistics Leader, International Operations Manager and two plant Manager Positions. Kristopher was united in marriage to Alex Ray in 1988 from this union were two sons Jake Ralston of Springdale, Arkansas and Luke Ralston of Carthage, Kristopher is survived by

his mom Beth Ruppert of Carthage, and his two sons. Kristopher is preceded in death by his dad Rick Ralston and his grandparents Duke and Ruth Ruppert of Carthage. Celebration of Life Graveside Services will be held at 10:00 a.m. Friday January 30, 2015 at Park Cemetery, Carthage. Online condolences can be made at www.ulmerfh.com. Arrangements are under the direction of Ulmer Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall

ST

“ I have a Kris Ralston baseball card! If any of the family wants this card please let me know! Stuart Trager
440-449-3116
440-655-5957 cell
The card is in mint condition!

Stuart Trager - January 22, 2024 at 12:58 PM



I would like to send this card

Stuart Trager - April 18, 2024 at 04:26 PM



Please call 440-449-3116 Please Card

Stuart Trager - April 18, 2024 at 04:30 PM



Anyone from the Ralston family? Please call

Stuart Trager - May 20, 2024 at 01:21 AM

CM

“ My heart breaks at the loss of such a young and talented young man.
Kris always had a smile on his face and a friendly greeting for me as the team Chaplain. I have an autographed hat that he gave me when he played here in Wilmington, and I will cherish it.
Rest in peace Kris, you brought blessings and happiness to so many people.
Chaplain TC

Chaplain John TC Megahan - February 03, 2015 at 08:35 AM

BS

“ Kris was a great person to be around. He always had a pleasant sense of humor to lift others up. He was loved by all and will be sorely missed. My prayers are with his family during this difficult time. I am so sorry for your loss.

Brad Sauer - January 31, 2015 at 02:22 PM

RJ

“ So sorry for your loss. Kris was dearly loved and will be greatly missed. I know your hearts are very heavy right now. But in the days to come, your smile will return as you remember the good times you shared with Kris. Our Dear Lord Jesus suffered much so that one day we will no longer experience the pain of losing our love ones. Revelation 21:4 promises, "And He (God) will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and Death Will Be No More, neither will mourning, nor outcry, nor pain, be anymore..." Until then, may this promise from God give you hope and bring you peace. With deepest sympathy.

Regina Jones - January 30, 2015 at 09:46 PM

RH

“ Beth, Our prayers are with you and grandkids. Our hearts are breaking for you as the loss of a child no matter what their age is a loss no words can express! If you need anything, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Randy & Terri Hennis - January 30, 2015 at 09:08 PM

JS

“ Beth, Jake and Luke,
I will always remember Kris for his smile, laugh, and quick wit. I enjoyed knowing and working with him. The first time you met him made a positive lasting impression. I am truly glad our paths crossed, and I will miss him
John

John Stevens - January 29, 2015 at 10:24 PM

BC

“ I am sorry I could not attend, but you have my condolences and deepest sympathy. RIP Kris!!

Becky Chrisman - January 29, 2015 at 08:29 PM

SG

“ Prayers for the family. Comfort be with God

Steve Glass - January 29, 2015 at 05:38 PM

CB

“ Please know you are in my thoughts and prayers. May God's peace bring you solace in the days to come.

Charlotte Hitchcock Beal - January 29, 2015 at 01:53 AM

AP

“ I enjoyed working with Kris in Mt. Vernon. He was always upbeat and friendly, even when I was cranky. My thoughts and prayers go out to his family. He will be missed!

Andrea Peacock - January 28, 2015 at 09:52 PM

MH

“ I am sorry I could not attend, but you have my condolences and deepest sympathy. I am deeply saddened by this loss.

Mark Henry - January 28, 2015 at 09:10 PM

DL

“ we are so sorry for your loss. we will always remember Kris' great personality, sense of humor and kind heart.54MRG

Doug & Jennifer Lambeth - January 28, 2015 at 09:09 PM

GR

“ Kris was my manager for a short while. He was a good guy to work for and he will be truly missed.

Gale Rogers - January 28, 2015 at 08:44 PM

JS

“ Kris you by missed by your family and friends. You were a great team mate who knew how to have fun

John Simonds - January 28, 2015 at 07:32 PM

SD

“ Kris was a wonderful man and father. Our thoughts and prayers to Alex, Jake and Luke and all of the Dew/Ralston family at this time. Our hearts are heavy for everyone. Love, Scott and Ronnie

Scott and Ronnie Dew - January 28, 2015 at 06:40 PM

HK

“ Sending lots of love, prayers and healing energy to the entire Ralston family, and friends. I'm sorry I can't make it down.

Heather Knowles - January 28, 2015 at 01:38 PM

BC

“ Kris you will be missed. Prayers and condolences to the family.

Beverly Jones Carnahan - January 28, 2015 at 11:51 AM

SM

“ Kristopher Mance Ralston

Steffanie Johnson Murph - January 28, 2015 at 11:51 AM

JH

“ Kris, Great Teammate and Friend. You will be greatly missed for your competitive fire and your infectious laugh. RIP my friend.

Jeff Houck - January 28, 2015 at 11:33 AM

LK

“ Chris was a great man and I enjoyed working with him,He was kind and fair to all.Always ready to help with any problem at Schreibers.He will be missed.My deepest sympathy to his family

Linda Lee Klinzman - January 28, 2015 at 10:42 AM

JO

“ I met Kris in 1999, and from the first minute I knew that he was special. Larger than life, brilliant, outgoing, generous, caring... There aren't words that can capture all that Kris was. Caring. Generous. Kris was the ultimate “go-to” guy. It didn't matter what I needed, Kris would drop everything and help me out whenever there was a need. Kris never complained; he wanted nothing more than to take care of his family and friends. I've never met anyone as generous as Kris, he gave freely of his time and talents... he found delight in giving. Outgoing. Kris made lifelong friends wherever he went. Like a magnet, people were drawn to him and would immediately sign-up to follow him to the ends of the earth. If you ever met Kris, even for the briefest of moments, you were affected by him for life. Brilliant. Kris could see a process for the first time, watch it for 5 minutes, and immediately and easily explain something complex in terms that even I could understand. I knew Kris for 15 years, and his greatest gift to me is a lifetime's worth of love and memories, and for that I am eternally grateful. He is gone too soon. We will never have total happiness or peace in this world because the peace and happiness and fulfillment we long for can be found only in God. I pray that Kris has found his total peace, happiness and fulfillment. I love you Kris.

Joe - January 28, 2015 at 10:42 AM

DF

“ I was very sorry to hear this news. Kris and I worked together in Siloam Springs, and he was a genuinely great person with a positive personality. He will be missed by many of our co-workers. I extend my prayers to his family and loved ones for comfort and understanding.

Doug Franklin - January 28, 2015 at 10:02 AM

MD

“ Kris, We will always remember sitting on the front porch swing when you asked us for Alex's hand in marriage. We gave you our blessing, and you told us, "Now, you have two sons. I just happened to be 6'2" and 165 pounds when you got me!" You always made us laugh and we promised you were ours forever!

Mike and Jill Dew - January 27, 2015 at 10:45 PM

MD

“ Kris, Thank you for 25 years of our wonderful family memories laughing, cooking, eating, playing and joking with you, Alex, Jake and Luke. All our love, Mike and Jill

Mike and Jill Dew - January 27, 2015 at 10:32 PM