



## Mr. Christopher Edgar Hawley

July 28, 1964 - January 10, 2019

Christopher Edgar Robert Hawley, 54, of Minneapolis, Minnesota, passed away on Thursday, January 10, at his home in Minneapolis.

Chris was born in Minneapolis on July 28, 1964, to James (Jim) and Kristen Mahan Hawley. He grew up in both North East and South Minneapolis, attending Catholic schools and Central High. He proudly served the United States Marine Corps after high school, traveling globally including an extended period to Okinawa. At one point he was the youngest Sergeant in the Corps. He received his degree in Economics with a minor in Mathematics from the University of Minnesota.

He married his first wife of six years, Laurie Bird, in 1983; and married his second wife of twenty-two years, Elizabeth Kinsey, in 1994 with whom together they had two children, James (Seamus) and William.

Chris was a generous and giving person and cherished sharing people's stories. He possessed a profound capacity to connect with everyone deeply in a personal and compassionate manner. He worked with American Family Insurance for 16 years and loved taking care of people and protecting them in meaningful ways. Chris relished competition and viewed sports with a passion. As an extroverted individual, he would use games and sporting events as an opportunity to congregate with his peers.

Chris knew the value to giving back and served as a lifelong volunteer. In his youth, he proudly dedicated his time to the Boys & Girls Club of MN through the YMCA. His commitment for helping others continued with his support for the Little Kitchen Food Shelf in NE Minneapolis.

Chris was passionate about his beliefs and possessed strong convictions. Resolute in his opinions while keeping an open mind and an open heart, he enjoyed intelligent political debates and challenging individuals to achieve a common ground. He worked hard to be a good listener and to give sage advice, even after suffering some hearing loss. He was a natural leader and believed in making a positive difference in people's lives. He loved the arts including literature and poetry, theater, and fine art museums. He enjoyed golf, tennis, racquetball, volleyball, and traveling with friends. A friend could always look forward to his company over a cup of coffee and a game of Scrabble. His intelligence, quick wit, and big heart will be missed by many.

Chris is preceded in death by his mother Kristen, Uncle Robert (Bob) Hawley and Uncle James (Jimmy) Mahan.

He is survived by his father, Jim and Mary Jane Hawley of Chandler, AZ; two sons Seamus Hawley of Austin TX, and William Hawley of Minneapolis, MN; two sisters Mary Helen Ayinde of St. Paul, MN and Jennifer Hawley of St. Paul, MN; two nephews Hakeem Ayinde of St. Paul, MN and Qadre Ayinde of St. Paul; former spouse Elizabeth Kinsey Hawley of Minneapolis, MN; and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

A visitation with the family will be held on Friday, February 1 from 4:00-7:00 pm at the Hillside Washburn-McReavy funeral home: 2610 19th Ave NE, Mpls, MN. 55418.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, February 2 at 11:00 am at Grace Lutheran Church: 1500 6th Street NE, Mpls, MN. 55413.

Memorials may be left to the Facelt Foundation, Little Kitchen Food Shelf of NE Minneapolis, Big Brother's & Big Sister's YMCA of MN, and St. Stephens Shelter of South Minneapolis.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 1. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Hillside Chapel  
2610 19th Avenue N.E.  
Minneapolis, MN 55418  
(612) 781-1999  
info@washburn-mcreavy.com

## Visitation

FEB 2. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

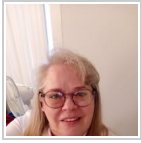
Grace Lutheran Church (NE Mpls)  
1500 6th Street Northeast  
Minneapolis, MN 55413

## Memorial Service

FEB 2. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Grace Lutheran Church (NE Mpls)  
1500 6th Street Northeast  
Minneapolis, MN 55413

# Tribute Wall



“ *i am so sorry in your loss of this beautiful spirit. I well remember him from high school and the joy he brought to our group, the Goon Squad. I was so proud when he joined the Marines and served so courageously. so know this, that when I say Semper Fi to him and your family, it is from a Marines' daughter. I also say fair winds and following seas. may your family be wrapped in angels wings of comfort, love and compassion.*

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**Dana Block** - January 28, 2019 at 02:21 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Christopher Edgar Hawley.*



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January 28, 2019 at 11:13 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Christopher Edgar Hawley.*



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January 26, 2019 at 04:34 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of  
*Mr. Christopher Edgar Hawley.*



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January 25, 2019 at 09:31 PM