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**C**ORNELIUS-John Christopher (Chris) Adkins, 57, died June 28, 2018. He was born on March 4, 1961 in Wayne County, WV to Mary Sue Sayre Street and the late William Allen Adkins.

He is survived by his mother, Mary Sue Street of Knoxville, TN, brothers, William Nathan Adkins, wife Lavi and Mark Robert Adkins, fiancé Janet Robinson, all of Cornelius, nephew, Tyler and nieces, Nadia, Ashley and Shayna.

Chris was an outstanding high school student athlete growing up outside of Huntington, WV. Chris excelled in football and basketball but could play any sport well. He held the WV state scoring record for total points scored in a football season for 25 years, until the record was broken by NFL Hall of Famer Randy Moss. Chris was awarded High School All-American honors in both football and basketball. He averaged just over 33 points a game in basketball his senior year at Ceredo-Kenova High School, where he transferred to his senior year from Buffalo High School. He shared the WV co-player of the year award in football with Curt Warner, a College Hall of Famer and NFL pro bowl running back. Warner played at Penn State and the Seattle Seahawks. Chris was recruited by every major college on the east coast. His academic record was also remarkable. He graduated with a 4.0 average and near the top of class in 1979. His first love was basketball and although he was 6'4" and had a 37" vertical leap, everyone wanted him to play football. After a short time at hometown Marshall University, Chris decided to leave school and head to Oklahoma to work a look for a new start.

After a brief time out west, Chris settled in Orlando, Florida for nearly a decade. He enrolled at ITT Technical College and graduated first in his class with a degree in electrical engineering. He then moved to Washington D.C. to begin a job installing fiber optics in the World Bank. He was then recruited to come work with his twin brothers Will and Mark in the land development business. Chris had a very productive career with Waterfront Group until a series of seizures forced him to semi-retire from the land business. His last 4 years was spent working at a



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development in Banner Elk, North Carolina named The Lodges at Eagles Nest. Chris held many different jobs there and was instrumental in bringing the development back to life.

Chris loved his family, (especially his nieces and nephew Shayna, Nadia, Ashley and Tyler), his friends from Buffalo and C-K high schools, his best friend Kevin Fisher and the many friends he made along the way. Chris lost his beloved Rhodesian Ridgeback mix dog, Daisy, about a month before his passing. Daisy was a constant companion for Chris for 14 years. They are now reunited in Heaven. Rest in Peace my Brother!

Memorials may be made to Camp New Hope (<http://www.campnewhopenc.com/>) of Lake Norman Humane ([lakenormanhumane.org](http://lakenormanhumane.org)).

A funeral service will be held at 3 PM Sunday, July 1 in the chapel of James Funeral Home. Visitation will be 2-3 prior to the service. He will be laid to rest at Mt. Pleasant Memorial Park, Mt. Pleasant, SC at 12:00 Tuesday, July 3.

James Funeral Home of Huntersville is serving the family. [www.jamesfuneralhomeLKN.com](http://www.jamesfuneralhomeLKN.com)



## Tribute Wall

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**Joy Holt** posted:

I'm so sorry for your loss. I'd like to share some real hope with you. In Psalms 146:4 tells the condition of the dead. "His breath goeth forth, he returneth to the earth and that very day his thoughts perish." In John 5:28-29 the bible promises a resurrection of our loved ones back to earth. When Jesus resurrected Lazarus from the dead, he brought him back to earth. He's going to do that on a much larger scale in the future. In Psalms 37:11 29 says man will live forever on the earth in peace. That was God's original purpose, for man to live forever in the garden of eden. God's purpose hasn't changed. In Isaiah 45:18 says God created the earth to be inhabited. That's why he gave his son to die for us, John 3:16, so we could have everlasting life on earth. In Revelation 21:4 says there'll be no more pain or death. Since there's no pain or death in heaven, those are future conditions on earth under God's kingdom arrangement. JW.org

July 7 at 7:23 AM



**Scott & Doris Sauer** posted:

Hearing about your loss has deeply saddened us. Chris Adkins was a great man and he will be truly missed and we will always be remembered. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to you and your family.

July 1 at 4:06 AM



# Memories only last if you share them

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