



Christopher Tsou

October 14, 1938 - September 3, 2021

In Chester, September 3, 2021 Christopher Tsou 82, of Bayside, NY. Beloved husband of Judith Petrazzulo Tsou. Loving father of Richard Tsou of Chester, Steven Tsou of New Haven, Tracy Murphy of Wallingford, Jason Tsou, Adam Tsou both of Guilford, Kristen Tsou of New Haven and Jessica Tsou of NY. Also survived by 5 cherished grandchildren and 1 great grandchild. Mr. Tsou was born in Beijing, China October 14, 1938 son of the late Steven and Su-Chin Wang Tsou. Prior to his retirement he was a Sr. VP of Asian Marketing for Resorts World. He was also the former owner of Blessings Restaurant on Howe St. in New Haven.

The family will receive family and friends Saturday from 12 noon - 2 p.m. at Sisk Brothers Funeral Home 3105 Whitney Ave. Hamden. In lieu of flowers contributions to American Cancer Society 111 Founders Plaza 2nd Floor, East Hartford, CT. 06108 <https://bit.ly/ACsociety> or to VNA Community Healthcare 753 Boston Post Rd. Guilford, CT. 06437 <https://bit.ly/VNAHospice> to Sloan Kettering Cancer Center 1275 York Ave. NY, NY 10065. <https://bit.ly/MSKCancerCenter>. To leave an online condolence please visit www.siskbrothers.com

Previous Events

Calling hours

SEP 11. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Sisk Brothers Funeral Home
3105 Whitney Ave.
Hamden, CT 06518
(203) 288-7114
siskfuneral@sbcglobal.net

Tribute Wall

JH

“ *My deepest condolences to the entire family. Sending love and warmth.*

Juri Henley-Cohn - September 11, 2021 at 02:27 PM

PB

“ *Dear Judy, I am so sorry to hear about the passing of your husband. I extend my sympathy to you and your family. Reading the tributes to him it became apparent to me that he was a special human being who will be missed by many.*
Pam Beaudette

pam beaudette - September 10, 2021 at 07:18 PM

TF

“ *The Vitelli and Marchitto families purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Christopher Tsou.*



The Vitelli and Marchitto families - September 10, 2021 at 12:35 PM

JP

“ *He was a true gentleman. His dad Steve and mom Su gave him the work ethic that propelled him on. We were regular patrons at Blessings and always enjoyed his company and sense of humor. Condolences to his family.*

Joe Polio - September 09, 2021 at 09:44 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Christopher Tsou.*



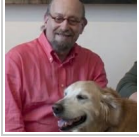
September 09, 2021 at 08:57 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Christopher Tsou.*



September 09, 2021 at 08:55 PM

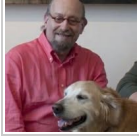


“ *Playing Hard*

Chris has taken us art school students to the movies - Raiders of the Lost Ark when it opened, Elm City Diner for killer Nachos that he invented and they had put on their menu. The Blessing Christmas parties were incredible. We could order anything off the menu and an open bar. Very generous. He took us skiing in Vermont and after driving for hours, brought us back to the restaurant and made hot and sour soup. In summer, he would take us boating at Long Island Sound and the Thimble Islands and after a full day of fun on the water, we would go to "The Place" (restaurant in Guilford) for an outdoor casual lobster bake where you sit on tree stumps and throw the shells on the ground. More than any boss I've ever heard of. He really liked us artists.

Chris really lived his life. We've talked about most of it. Mine too. Our relationship completes a part of me that is and always will be there. I'm the lucky one. Thank you God for my path crossing Chris'.

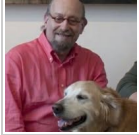
Louis Guarnaccia - September 09, 2021 at 07:55 PM



“ *The Mentor*

- *If you can be 5 minutes late you can be 5 minutes early!*
- *Don't write a check with your mouth that your body can't deliver.*
- *Work hard, play hard.*
- *Haste makes waste.*
- *If you run out of anything, (primarily referring to the restaurant) that is bad management. Bad planning. Bad business.*
- *Don't count your eggs before they hatch". Yep, I heard that from Chris first. I lived a very country-type life up until this point.*

Louis Guarnaccia - September 09, 2021 at 07:45 PM

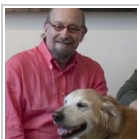


“ Excerpts and Writings from My Letters to Chris

"You gave me advice like a father should but you did as only a mentor can. That is why I've always told you that you are a cross between the father I wish I had and the mentor you've become to me."

Chris, you took me under your wing and nurtured me. Something I desperately needed. I think maybe that's why you cried at my wedding. I think you were seeing me grow into the man I've become. You also kept the restaurant open for my wedding reception. Thank you doesn't come close to expressing my gratitude. Shortly after that, Blessings' time was over. Everything is temporary. Except for the blessings I've received over the years that come from our friendship. Those are the blessings that really matter. Whether you were on a cruise boat on another part of the world or us meeting up again in Queens after many years. Our chemistry is right there. The things that you've taught and shared with me have a profound impact on my life. You taught me how to trust again. To have confidence in myself and abilities, a good work ethic, not to mention many of the culinary arts. The entire point of this letter Chris - Thank you for all your nurturing, caring and generosity.

Louis Guarnaccia - September 09, 2021 at 07:43 PM



“ *I've always said that Blessings was a major turning point in my life. A huge truth for me then and now. Not just about Chinese culture but because of Chris' nurturing way with me. The longer I was at the restaurant the closer he and I worked. From dishwasher, to server, to wok-washer/cook to being a partner with him in a business.*

He always showed me kindness, generosity and trust. Taught me integrity and a strong work ethic.

Louis Guarnaccia - September 09, 2021 at 07:42 PM

JA

“ Jeff Avena purchased the Lavender Reflections S
pray for the family of Christopher Tsou.



Jeff Avena - September 09, 2021 at 01:31 PM

CM

“ Dear Judy, I'm so sorry for the loss of your wonderful husband, Chris. You both felt like "family" to me and Conrad (Duenkel) back in the 70's. I'll never forget "two people, one duck?"!!! :-) We always said that it was too good to share. And the time you invited us to dinner at your home and served Italian! So many laughs we shared! And that evening we also met your first born baby. What an honor!! And I'm so happy that you went on to have so many more, and now you have grandkids! They are indeed lucky to be born from two wonderful people like you and Chris. I know he will be sorely missed, along with his smiling face and great sense of humor. Be well.

Carol Moreau (from my farm in Alabama, where I raise Pekin ducks as PETS only!)

Carol Moreau - September 09, 2021 at 11:57 AM

BS

“ Chris Tsou taught so many young people what it meant to work as a team, be part of a family, and enjoy what you do. He was a great leader in the kitchen. I loved the crew I worked with at Blessings along side His oldest children Richard, Steven and Tracy. Some of my favorite memories are in the old Blessings building. He lived life to the fullest and his legacy spans generations. I loved him dearly. Bless all his children. I hope they carry on his love of life, food & family. I cherish my memories.



Billie J Sullivan - September 09, 2021 at 11:53 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Christopher Tsou.



September 08, 2021 at 10:52 PM



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Christopher Tsou.



September 08, 2021 at 04:18 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Christopher Tsou.*



September 08, 2021 at 09:25 AM



“ *Danny and Fanny Wu purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Christopher Tsou.*



Danny and Fanny Wu - September 07, 2021 at 03:00 PM



“ *Lin Lin & Danny Chang Family purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Christopher Tsou.*



Lin Lin & Danny Chang Family - September 07, 2021 at 02:46 PM



“ *RWNYC Asian Marketing Team purchased the Sacred Garden Spray for the family of Christopher Tsou.*



RWNYC Asian Marketing Team - September 07, 2021 at 10:38 AM