



Sophia Chris Bushkuhl

April 12, 1935 - February 15, 2020

Sophia “Chris” Bushkuhl, 84, passed away peacefully at home, Saturday, February 15, 2020. She was born April 12, 1935 in West Helena, Arkansas to Spiro and Kerasto Broomas. Chris is preceded in death by her parents and 7 of her 8 siblings. She is survived by her husband of 62 years, John Bushkuhl; children, Stephen (Katrina) Bushkuhl, Mark (Becky) Bushkuhl, Mary (Kim) Bushkuhl, Elizabeth (Scott) Aitkens, and Paul Bushkuhl; grandchildren, Harrison Bushkuhl, Grant Bushkuhl, Shelby Bushkuhl, Kathryn Aitkens, Matthew Aitkens, Reed Bushkuhl, and Cade Bushkuhl; sister Fotine Pedron as well as numerous nieces, nephews and other extended family.

Chris grew up in Little Rock, Arkansas. She graduated with a teaching degree from Arkansas State Teachers College. In 1955, Chris met the love of her life, John, in New Orleans while attending a school function. They married three years later. Chris was a master of creating a thriving home for John and her five kids wherever they happened to land in the world - around the USA as well as Venezuela, Libya and Saudi Arabia. She was also a wizard at creating culinary delights from sometimes meager local supplies. We always ate well! In addition to these exotic locales, the family traveled the globe extensively. After the children left home, Chris resumed her elementary school teaching career. Chris and John spent the last 12 years in Houston at Eagle’s Trace, where they were members of St. John Vianney Catholic Church.

Chris' legacy is rich - loving patience, forbearance, tender heartedness, quiet strength, fearlessness, fun, delicious food, and an impeccable sense of style, with a deep and abiding love. Second to her family, her passion was her garden - always gorgeous. She is dearly missed.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks you to donate to one of the following charities in memory of Sophia Bushkuhl:

St Jude Children's Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place Memphis, TN 38105 <https://www.stjude.org>

St Labre Indian School, 1000 Tongue River Rd, Ashland, MT 59003 <https://give.stlabre.org>

The Funeral Mass will be celebrated Friday, February 28, 2020 at 10:30 AM at St. John Vianney Catholic Church, Nottingham Oaks Trail, Houston, TX 77079. A reception will be held following mass at Eagle's Trace Community Center, 14703 Eagle Vista Dr, Houston, TX 77077.

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

FEB 28. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. John Vianney Catholic Church
625 Nottingham Oaks Trail
Houston, TX 77079
(281) 497-1500

Reception

FEB 28. 1:00 PM (CT)

Eagle's Trace
14702 Eagle Vista Drive
Houston, TX 77077

Tribute Wall



“ *Sophia Chris Bushkuhl*

October 08, 2023 at 10:52 AM



“ *Sophia Chris Bushkuhl*

October 06, 2023 at 01:12 AM



“ *Sophia Chris Bushkuhl*

October 05, 2023 at 09:45 AM



“ *Sophia Chris Bushkuhl*

October 05, 2023 at 01:54 AM



“ *I knew you ever so briefly as the teacher to my kid, but my child now an adult , i think kept in touch with her favorite teacher for a while . Thank you for keeping the curiosity of childhood alive for her , helping to shape a destiny, and to guide in those steps in a formative brain to nurture . RIP Mrs. Bushkul*

A - November 28, 2021 at 01:15 PM

BB

“ Dear John, we were so sorry to hear about Chris’s passing. We fondly remember “John and Chris” and all the happy times we shared together in Libya and several other places. We often smile and chat about your most recent visit to Ipswich, we had a wonderful time and many laughs. It was a privilege to share part of your life together. Rest in Peace Chris. With great affection, Carole and Bruce.



Bruce Bloom - March 07, 2020 at 11:29 AM

JS

“ Uncle John and family,,

Where to begin remembering my beautiful Aunt. Just know that she will never be forgotten and that she lives in each of you. Such a caring and loving mother, wife, sister, aunt, cousin and friend. She will be missed. May Her Memory be Eternal. I send my love to you each.

Tom, Johanna, Alex, Cally & Menelaos.

Johanna Siskos - February 27, 2020 at 06:54 PM



“ 213 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Detting Funeral Home - February 26, 2020 at 04:38 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of *Sophia Chris Bushkuhl*.



February 26, 2020 at 03:48 PM



“ *My Dear Cousin John and Family,*
I am so sorry that you'll no longer have that gentle lady in your lives. I spent only a few blessed hours with Chris to know how truly special she was. I wish I could be there for her funeral Mass, to meet her children, and to hold John's hand. I send my love to all of you.

Shirley Lambert Glotzbach

Cousin, Shirley Glotzbach - February 26, 2020 at 02:31 PM

FT

“ *From Shawn and the Tajams granite team purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Sophia Chris Bushkuhl.*



From Shawn and the Tajams granite team - February 23, 2020
at 10:09 AM

SW

“ *Oh, what fond memories I have of Sophie, Fotine and me. Sophie grew up before petite clothes. She was so petite and beautiful but had to find her dresses and shoes in the children's department. She was oldest and I youngest in our little group of three. We three were always close growing up. I will her her smiling face.
With my deepest sympathy and love, Sophie Wachter*

Sophie Wachter - February 20, 2020 at 03:35 PM

JO

Thank your remembrances - she was such a tiny one.

John - February 21, 2020 at 11:32 AM

FP

“ *Sophie was always bold and caring. She took care of me and our little brother, Sotid. She lovingly taught us what we needed to know. I will never forget my precious Sophie.*

Fotine Pedron - February 20, 2020 at 12:54 PM

MA

“ Dear Bushkuhl Family, Sorry for the loss of your matriarch. Although we didn't get to meet her personally, we did through your son, and brother Steve, and his wife Katrina who were part of us here in Dhahran. We pray for God's continual covering of comfort over you all.

Let her rich legacy be your greatest comfort.

Michael and Evelyn Atisele, Dhahran, Saudi Arabia

Michael Atisele - February 20, 2020 at 11:21 AM

SW

“ Sorry for your loss. I have known her and Mr. John many years and have many fond memories from the senior Olympics when I first started working at Eagle's Trace. Sending prayers and condolences to Mr. John and family. I worked with them many years and just retired in January.

Shirley Woods - February 19, 2020 at 11:27 PM



“ Delightful Dieffenbachia was purchased for the family of Sophia Chris Bushkuhl.



February 18, 2020 at 10:17 AM