

## Christopher Scott Graves

November 21, 1962 - September 28, 2017

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Christopher Graves, 54 of Lincoln, died on Thursday, September 28, 2017 at Bryan Medical Center – West in Lincoln. Funeral services will be on Saturday, September 30, 2017 at 10 a.m. at St. John the Apostle Parish in Lincoln with Father Johnson officiating. Visitation will be on Saturday, September 30th from 9 a.m. until service time. Interment will be at a later date. Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.soltwagnerfuneral.com](http://www.soltwagnerfuneral.com).

Christopher Scott Graves was born on November 21, 1962 to Raymond and Eleanor (Jilg) Graves in Fremont, NE. During his life Christopher lived at the Beatrice State Home, Community Alternatives in Lincoln and Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital in Lincoln.

Those left to cherish his memory are his mother; Eleanor Bender (Charles LaChapell) of Council Bluffs, IA, his brothers and sisters; Michael (Sachiko) Graves of Okinawa, Japan, Patrick (Brenda) Graves of Jackson, NE, Monica Anderson of Omaha, Cheryl (Duane) Dubas of Raymond, Thomas (Jamie) Bender of Hastings, Richard (Lisa) Bender of Ayer, Terrance (Tomoko) Bender of Okinawa, Japan, Cory Graves of Lemars, IA, Chad Graves of Chadron,

Curtis Graves, Tim Graves, Nicole Graves and R.J. Graves all of North Platte. He was preceded in death by his father; Raymond Graves, his grandparents; Donald and Claire Graves, Leo and Mary Jilg, and a niece, Teja Jo Graves.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 30. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

St. John the Apostle Parish  
Lincoln, NE

## Funeral Service

SEP 30. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. John the Apostle Parish  
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# Tribute Wall

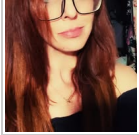


“ *Raela Reames lit a candle in memory of Christopher Scott Graves* ”



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**Raela Reames** - September 30, 2017 at 09:39 PM



“ I was lucky enough to care for Chris for about a year-and-a-half when he attended day habilitation with Community alternatives a few years ago. Now don't go telling on me, but he was my favorite person! He always smiled at me and I could tell in his eyes every day that he was happy to see me. Some people might have had a problem with what it took to assist Chris but it never bothered me. Caring for Chris taught me that it doesn't matter what difficulties there may be in caring for an individual, if you know them as a fellow human who just needs some help and is relying on you to help them with Basics other people take for granted like the ability to eat or drink or be clean, to just be like everyone else. Then assisting someone in this endeavor is as simple as caring for my own children. It made me extra careful to maintain his dignity and respect and even cluck and worry over him as one of my own. I'm sure I drove the nurse crazy with my questions and insistence on calling her over every little thing that he had going on at any point. To his mother, I'd like to say that I'm sorry I never got the chance to meet you. And your son would light up a room. Everyone who would come in to our area would come to him first to talk to him and get a smile. a huge Christopher Graves smile from ear-to-ear. As Chris is more of a thinker than a talker I was left to run, conversation I found I would often sing to Christopher throughout the day about what was going on or what we were doing and he would put his hands up and look over at me with that smile every time. Knowing this man made me a better person and a more compassionate and caring human being in too many ways to count. He made me realize there was happiness to be found even in places that most people would be hard pressed to imagine that it could be. I am very grateful for the chance to have known him and I will miss him terribly. My deepest condolences to you, his family on this sad day. But thank you ever so much for the chance to know Chris.

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Raela Reames - September 30, 2017 at 09:37 PM



*Thank you so much for caring for Chris. He did love his nurses. I'm glad you got a chance to meet him. He has made everyone a better person. Thanks again and may God Bless you, Cheryl Dubas ( Chris's sister)*

**Cheryl Dubas** - October 01, 2017 at 07:34 PM



*thank you for taking care of my boy---yes he did have a certain smile*

**Eleanor May** - October 01, 2017 at 07:56 PM

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*“ I'm so very sorry to see that Chris has passed away.  
I worked with Chris at B.S.D.C.  
He was always happy and had the biggest smile on his face.  
MY thoughts and prayers are with all of you*

**Alvin Martin** - September 30, 2017 at 03:11 PM



*Thank you so much.*

**Cheryl Dubas** - October 01, 2017 at 07:35 PM

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“ Oh how I remember Chris many years ago and the great mother he had, She was so proud of her family and always ready to give a helping hand to other . Ellie and family my heart breaks for you just want you to know I am with you at heart today and know Chris has already met Deb my daughter in the land of gold.. As Deb passed on she described the gates of heaven to us there were children on the steps singing and she sang with them as she entered the gates of heaven we heard all this as she was passing on. God is good. He sent us comfort in our time of need. Also every day she is by our side when we need her most. Rest assured that Chris is in good hands and pain free. I am so sorry for the lost Ellie and family as I am one that saw all of grow up and Ellie is like my mom also, She changed my life too. Prayers coming your way today Love to the family

peggy hilton - September 30, 2017 at 08:28 AM



Thank you so much Peggy. Mom loves him so. He was God special angel. Im sure he will find Debbie as he tries out his new legs. No more pain, only happiness now.

Cheryl Dubas - October 01, 2017 at 07:37 PM



thanks Peggy you were always special to me!

Eleanor May - October 01, 2017 at 07:50 PM