



## **CAPTAIN BROOKS, C.D. (RETIRED), Christopher Charles**

Peacefully, at Lakeridge Health Oshawa, with his family by his side, in his 66th year, on Monday, September 13, 2021. Chris leaves behind his loving wife Joan, their sons Neill (Katie), Steven, grandsons Jakob and Cole, sister Diane (Fred deceased) Parish, sisters-in-law Marilyn (David) Phasey, Judy (Vern) Brooks, Denise (Peter) Kettela, Helen (Lorne) Jmaiff and brother-in-law John O'Neill. He was predeceased by his parents Fred and Mary Brooks, sisters Gwen Murphy (late Harold), Mildred "Toots" Pegg (late Doug), Marina Bauder (late Laverne), brothers David Phasey, Vern Brooks, and Fred "Sonny" Brooks Jr. He will be missed by nieces, nephews and his special canine friend Zoe. Chris was born in 1955 in Oshawa Ontario. He attended R.S. McLaughlin High School. In 1966 He joined the 1913 Ontario Regiment Cadet Corps where he met his wife Joan in 1972. Later in the 1970s Chris enlisted in the Ontario Regiment Royal Canadian Armored Corps. Chris and Joan were married in 1977 in Centennial Albert United Church, Oshawa Ontario. Chris and Joan welcomed their first son, Neill in 1987, and their second son Steven in 1989. In 1994 Chris began working for the Government of Canada as a special assistant to Ivan Grose, MP. In 2001 Chris began working as an instructor with the 1913 Ontario Regiment Cadet Corps and was granted a Queen's Commission in 2002. Chris was later awarded a Canadian Forces' Decoration for his service. In 2005 Chris began working at the Ontario Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services as a case worker in the Ontario Disability Support Program office. In 2007 Chris welcomed his first grandson Jakob, followed by Cole in 2011. He also welcomed Neill's wife Katie to the family in 2011. Chris retired from public service 2016. Visitation will take place at **McINTOSH-ANDERSON-KELLAM FUNERAL HOME LTD**, located at 152 King St E, Oshawa, Ontario, L1H 1B6 (905-433-5558) on Saturday, September 18, 2021 from 6:00 PM-8:00 PM. As attendance will be limited, please see the link below to secure a time slot to visit. A private service will take place. Donations in memory of Chris benefitting the 1913 Ontario Regiment Cadet Corps, at the following link

<https://www.indiegogo.com/projects/christopher-brooks-memorial#/>

Online condolences can be shared at [makfuneralhome.com](http://makfuneralhome.com).

The Service will be broadcast live at [www.rememberingchris.live](http://www.rememberingchris.live)

<https://signup.com/go/pNraHHp>

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## **Condolences**

Sep 16, 2021  
Gloria Crowder

I had the pleasure of working with Chris for over 15 years. He was always willing to share his knowledge of everything from world history to his experience working with his beloved cadets.

Chris will be truly missed by a multitude of those whose lives he touched.  
Rest in peace my friend

Gloria Crowder

Sep 16, 2021

**Helen McMullan**

A kinder person would be difficult to find as Chris always wanted to assist those in need. He had a gentle way in which to give a negative response when required. During his years at ODSP his positive outlook and sense of humour was welcomed by all and we sure did learn how to run an election.

He touched our lives in a variety of ways and will be greatly missed.

Sep 16, 2021

**Janice MacMillan**

RIP, Chris! You were a wonderful role model for so many young people. Thanks for everything you did to guide them and to help them to be productive, community-minded citizens.

Sep 17, 2021

**Debra Sargent-McCormick**

Joan and family my deepest condolences. I have known Chris since we started Kindergarten together at Westmount school. We even ended up working together for about 15 years. You could always count on him for his sense of humour.

RIP Chris. ?

Sep 17, 2021

**Deborah Clarke**

Condolences to Joan and boys. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this very sad time. Chris was always kind and helpful at Cadets. He helped to explain things to me when I first started to volunteer, he was always a wealth of information and history of the Ontario Regiment. His sharp Witt and cheeky humour would always bring a smile to those he was teaching. He will be fondly remembered by many. RIP Chris, taken too soon

Deborah Clarke, Andrew and Harrison.

Sep 17, 2021

**Udana Muldoon**

One of the best people I have had the pleasure of working with. Quick wit got me every time! He tried to hide his

tenderness but he failed.

Sending you all love and lightness while you recalibrate. xo

Sep 18, 2021

**Amber Lynn**

Chris was the best Papa I could ever ask for, for my Cole. He will be forever missed and remembered ❤️? Joan and Chris have always been there for me and I could never repay them for all their love and support. Losing Chris is definitely life altering. Sending all my love to Joan, Steve, Neill and the boys. I'm gonna miss all your stories. RIP Chris..gone too soo. Xo

Sep 19, 2021

**Marilyn Ward**

My sincere condolences goes out to the entire Brooks family! Chris made his presence known wherever he was. In the office, at meetings or just on a break, you knew that he was there. He will surly be missed. May he Rest In Peace. ??

Marilyn Ward  
ODSP - MCSS