



Christopher Edward Spaulding

December 13, 1957 - March 28, 2026

Christopher Edward Spaulding passed away on March 28, 2026, at his home, surrounded by his loving family and friends and at peace with his earthly journey and the promise of eternal life.

Born in Alexandria, Louisiana on December 13, 1957 to Dayton and Maria Concepcion Spaulding, Chris lived briefly in New Jersey, and moved with his parents and two younger sisters to Plymouth, New Hampshire in 1965. Throughout his youth, Chris excelled in academics and athletics. Inspired by his father's passion and skill for the game of basketball, Chris became a standout basketball player in high school, earning a starting position on the varsity team beginning as a freshman and later was recognized for scoring more than 1,000 points over the course of his four years on the team. Chris attended every practice and game possible during his father's tenure as coach of the men's basketball team at Plymouth State University, often running home after school, grabbing a snack and a basketball, and bolting through the streets of Plymouth to get to the field house in time to watch team practice, always eager to observe and learn. His focus on studies never faltered, however, as he would return home to do his homework and study. He also enjoyed fishing the rivers and lakes in New Hampshire with his father and other friends. Later in his youth, he began to play golf, a passion that remained throughout his adult life, so much so that one time he left on a business trip forgetting his suitcase at home but remembering his golf clubs.

Graduating salutatorian of his high school class, Chris went on to attend the University of Oklahoma, where his father attended, earning an undergraduate degree in Chemical Engineering. He later obtained an MBA from the University of Denver. His 40-year distinguished career in the oil and gas industry encompassed engineering and later management positions, first in several cities in the United States, specifically Salt Lake City, Denver, and Houston, and then in countries across five other continents: England, the Netherlands, Argentina and Colombia, Angola, and Russia. His travels throughout the world for business and leisure gave him a wide perspective and understanding of and compassion for other cultures and systems. He retired in 2021 to Spring, Texas, where he enjoyed traveling, entertaining friends and family, playing golf, as well as spending several months of the year at his vacation home in Argentina, a place that brought him true joy. He especially enjoyed watching his sons excel in golf, attending golf tournaments throughout the United States and several other countries.

In June 2024, Chris was diagnosed with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS). Supported constantly by his wife Andrea following this diagnosis, Chris was determined to live life to the fullest and was equally dedicated to helping others suffering with the debilitating disease and advocating for increased funding for ALS research as there is no known cure for the disease at this time. He was an active volunteer with the I Am ALS organization, working to increase legislative focus on the need for funding for research and clinical trials. He stood beside others suffering with ALS, assisting in their appeals to insurance companies regarding medication denials to help reduce the progression of the disease. And despite not being a veteran himself, he was involved in championing the Justice for ALS Veterans Act of 2025, a bipartisan bill aiming to ensure that surviving spouses of veterans who die from ALS receive full dependency and indemnity compensation. This change to the act removed the requirement that a veteran must have been totally disabled for

eight years prior to death, greatly impacting the majority of those living with ALS as the average life expectancy with ALS is two to five years from diagnosis. In August 2025, Chris was recognized by the ALS Association with the ALS Hero Award for his significant contributions to the organization and others living with the disease.

Chris will always be lovingly remembered by his wife Andrea Fabricius and their children Matthew and Andrew Spaulding, and Christopher's son, Michael and his wife, Kayley, and their children, Davis and Nora; Deborah Spaulding Rainey and her husband, John S. Rainey, Jr.; and Michelle Caraccio and her children Joseph Caraccio, Natalie Caraccio Fazio and her husband Michael Fazio, and Jack Caraccio and his fiancée, Michon Whitney, as well as mother-in-law, Maria Christina Gabioud, sister-in-law Maria Valeria Fabricius and husband Jorge Tobares and their son Juan Bautista Tobares; brother-in-law Cipriano Fabricius and his children Albertina Fabricius, Cipriano Fabricius, Augustin Fabricius, and Fransisco Fabricius. He was preceded in death by his parents. He will also be remembered by friends made throughout his lifetime.

Despite his early demise from ALS, Christopher accomplished much in his life, touched the lives of many, and served as a tireless advocate for ALS advancements to help future patients. His departing hope is to end the cruel illness that is ALS.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to I Am ALS in memory of Christopher Spaulding.

<https://www.iamals.org/give/>

Cemetery Details

Tranquility Oaks Cemetery

22302 Hildebrandt Road
Spring, TX 77389
(281) 350-0998
<https://addisonfuneralhomes.com>

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 8. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

St Ignatius Loyola Catholic Community Church
7810 Cypresswood Dr
spring, TX 77379
<https://www.ignatiusloyola.org>

Rosary

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Funeral Mass

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Tribute Wall

JC

“ Although we have never met Chris, we are knowledgeable about his ALS Advocacy works. Please accept our sincerest condolences and his works were not in vain. Thank you for sharing him with the ALS community. We appreciate him and his family.
1SG (Retired pALS) James Carmichaels, Jr. and wife, Joanie Carmichael (ALSA Virginia State Advocacy Leader)

Joanie Carmichael - April 20 at 07:05 PM

WA

“ With sympathy, The ALS Association purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Christopher Edward Spaulding.



With sympathy, The ALS Association - April 07 at 04:07 PM

CL

“ Cissy and Chris Larkin purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Christopher Edward Spaulding.



Cissy and Chris Larkin - April 07 at 09:58 AM

JG

“ *Josie Gamez purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Christopher Edward Spaulding.*



Josie Gamez - April 07 at 08:50 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Christopher Edward Spaulding.*



April 06 at 01:33 PM

LF

“ *Lola & familia purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Christopher Edward Spaulding.*



Lola & familia - April 05 at 09:53 AM

ML

“ In this work, I have the privilege of meeting many incredible people facing ALS, but Chris and Andrea touched me in a way that will stay with me forever.

I had the honor of working closely with them to fight insurance denials and advocate in Congress. Even while facing this devastating disease, Chris showed up with a level of courage, grace, and determination that was truly extraordinary. He never stopped pushing, not just for himself, but for everyone living with ALS. His strength was matched only by his heart, and the love and partnership between Chris and Andrea, and the deep love he had for Matthew, Andrew, and Michael was something truly special to witness.

I was deeply honored to nominate Chris as our Association's ALS Hero. He didn't just deserve that recognition, he defined it. He turned unimaginable hardship into purpose and impact, leaving a legacy that will continue to change lives.

Chris left a mark on me that I will carry always. My heart is with Andrea, Matthew, Andrew, and Michael. May you find some comfort in knowing just how deeply he was admired, respected, and loved.

Melanie Lynn Lendnal - April 02 at 09:13 PM

DH

“ My heartfelt condolences to Chris's family and friends. I met Chris through I Am ALS advocacy. It was clear he had a big heart and a message to get across. I loved his passion and commitment and am so thankful for all his hard work to bring change. RIP.

Diane Hoey - April 02 at 07:25 AM

CR

“ *My sympathies and prayers for Andrea's and Chris' whole family, and all who loved him. Chris' spirit will continue to cheer on all advocates for ALS research and access to care. I am grateful to have worked with him on the I AM ALS Legislative Affairs Committee.*

Cathy Rowan - April 01 at 03:34 PM

MP

“ *I worked with Chris on the I AM ALS legislative task force. Chris was a tireless advocate, passionate and courageous, and kind. He put himself out there with everything he had to fight for changes that he knew full well would not come quickly enough for him. He lived with purpose and with courage. it was a privilege to work beside him.*

Margaret Plews-Ogan - April 01 at 10:55 AM

GM

“ *I volunteer with Chris on the I Am ALS legislative affairs team. When my baby girl was born 6 weeks early and I shared that news with the team, he was so supportive and empathetic in talking with me about the struggles of leaving our baby in the NICU when going home from the hospital and reassuring me that it gets better and the baby will grow into a healthy young kid.*

Garrett May - March 31 at 04:33 PM