

## **Dr. Charles Palin August 21, 1985 – August 6, 2025**



Dr. Charles Palin, DMD, FACP, FAAMP passed away peacefully on August 6, 2025, surrounded by his loving family at Loyola University Medical Center outside Chicago, due to complications from leukemia and its treatment.

Charles was a devoted husband to Ellen (née Mahan) and a proud father to their two young sons. He was the cherished son of Michael and Vivienne Palin, beloved brother to Samantha Palin, brother-in-law to Sam Bulmer, and a treasured grandson, nephew, cousin, and friend to many.

Born in England and raised in Wyomissing, PA, Charles earned the rank of Eagle Scout — a milestone that, fittingly, included a merit badge for dentistry. After graduating from the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine, he completed advanced training in Prosthodontics at the University of Illinois Chicago and a Fellowship in Maxillofacial Prosthetics at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center. Most recently, he served as a Maxillofacial Prosthodontist and Assistant Professor of Surgery at Loyola University Medical Center. Charles found deep purpose in caring for his patients, especially those facing cancer, and continued working long after his own diagnosis so he could keep helping others.

Charles was the kind of friend who remembered your kids' names, your last vacation, and the small victories you might have forgotten to mention twice. He had a gift for making people feel truly seen. Even as he faced his own health challenges, he rarely spoke about them — not because they didn't matter, but because you mattered more to him. His dry wit could make an ordinary day lighter, and his own commitment to excellence drove him to always pursue the very best for the people he loved.

In recent years, he was often seen driving his vintage Mini Cooper around to car shows, loving every smile and wave he got along the way. At home, he was happiest in the company of his family — building Lego sets with the boys, cooking a new recipe, dreaming up new ideas, and always looking forward to the future.

He was truly the best of us and will be missed beyond measure.

Charles's family extends heartfelt thanks to the many friends, colleagues, and healthcare professionals who supported and cared for him throughout his life and illness