

Appeal to bring body of Christopher Baines home to Teesside raises more than £12,000

Tributes have been paid to Christopher Baines following his death in Hong Kong

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A fund set up to help bring the body of a Teessider home following his sudden death in Hong Kong has raised more than £12,000 in just two days.

Christopher Baines, from [Middlesbrough](#), died unexpectedly on Thursday.

It is believed Mr Baines was in his 30s but no details about the circumstances of his death have yet been released.

A fund-raising page was set up to raise money to fly his body back home as quickly as possible.

The page was quickly inundated with donations and so far, over £12,000 has been raised.

A statement on the site reads: “After the devastating and unexpected passing of Christopher Baines (Dyke) in Hong Kong, his mates have decided to set up this page to help his wife Dani bring Chris home. Any contribution would be appreciated.”

A Foreign Office spokesman said: “We are supporting the family of a British man following his death in Hong Kong.

“Our sympathies are with them at this difficult time.”

Friends paid tribute to Mr Baines, who is understood to have attended Hall Garth School, in [Acklam](#) , with one person describing him as a “top man”.

To make a donation, go to [the GoFundMe page here](#) .