



Chad William Charleston

June 15, 1990 - August 24, 2024

Chad William Charleston, 34, of Indianapolis, a much-loved father, son, brother, uncle, nephew, cousin and friend, passed away on August 24, 2024. Born on June 15, 1990, to Jeffery and Lori (Leigh) Charleston, Chad grew up in Indianapolis, graduated from Hamilton Southeastern High School, and studied at Indiana University. A dedicated colleague, Chad enjoyed a career in premium audio/video electronics and home theater systems, most recently as a technical support specialist for TRIPhase Technologies. His work combined his avid love of music and movies with his intense interest in technology.

A devoted father, Chad cherished his daughter, Evelyn. His greatest happiness was the time they spent together. He was a passionate supporter of Evelyn, cheering her on at swimming and gymnastics, helping her with school, playing tons of board games, and enjoying big thrill amusement park rides together. Everyone who knew Chad felt his love and joy for Evelyn.

An extraordinary brother, son, and a member of a large extended family, Chad also enjoyed attending musical concerts, playing the guitar, and cheering on the Colts. He was a special part of a close family bond. He brought humor and light to family gatherings, was genuinely engaged in his family's lives, and connected with his loved ones on a deeper level than most. Chad made everyone feel included and assured that they knew he loved them.

Chad was also a core member of a family of remarkable friends called the Munts. Formed by a mutual love of music, movies, and pop culture, the

friends' bond remained as strong as ever 20 years later. The Munts were many and spread across the country, but continued to reunite for beach vacations, weekends in remote cabins, and memorable concerts. Chad was an integral piece of their group puzzle, a part of the gravity that held the Munts together. He championed all his friends and lifted them in times of their self-doubt.

Chad will live on forever in the hearts of his family and friends and all who loved him so dearly.

Chad is survived by his parents, Jeffery and Lori Charleston; daughter, Evelyn; brother, Scott (Lee Anne) Charleston; nephew, Frank; Evelyn's mother, Chassica Price; uncles, Thomas (Rita) Charleston, Stephen (Heddy) Charleston, Gregory (Rodney) Charleston, and Mark Leigh; aunt, Lisa Neely; and many cousins and close friends. He was preceded in death by his grandparents who treasured him, Roy and Dolores Charleston, and Charles and Delores Leigh.

A Celebration of Life/Open House will be held Saturday, October 26, 2024 from 11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. at Eagle Nest Clubhouse, 8075 Teel Way, Indianapolis, IN 46256. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Evelyn Charleston Education Fund. Please contact Jeff or Lori Charleston for information. Final care and arrangements are entrusted to Shirley Brothers Fishers-Castleton Chapel.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life/Open House

OCT **26**. 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Eagle Nest Clubhouse
8075 Teel Way
Indianapolis, IN 46256

Tribute Wall

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“ Dearest Lori, Jeff and family, Chad’s life was woven with love and he left an indelible mark on all who knew him. His beautiful daughter Evelynnn will carry on his vibrant spirit. May your cherished memories help you find peace and solace during this incredibly challenging painful time. My heart is with you all.

Amy Smallman-Winston - October 04, 2024 at 11:10 AM

JH

“ Hi Lori, this is Judy Pieper Houk. I am so saddened by this news. Sandy shared with me and my heart breaks for you all. Please know we are keeping you in our hearts and praying God will give you peace and strength. Much love always.

Judy Houk - September 29, 2024 at 09:54 AM

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“ Dear Family:

We, the families of The Compassionate Friends, send you our heartfelt condolences on Chad's passing.

The Compassionate Friends is an international, non-denominational, grief support group for parents, grandparents and siblings who have suffered the heartbreaking loss of a child. Our only mission is to provide comfort, hope and support to every family experiencing the death of a son or daughter, brother or sister, or grandchild, and to help others better assist the grieving family.

We meet monthly on the first Wednesday at the New Hope Church, 5307 Fairview Rd, Greenwood, IN 46142 and on the third Tuesday at the Epworth United Methodist, 6450 Allisonville Road, Indianapolis, IN 46220. Both meetings begin at 6:30pm.

If, and when, you are ready to do so, please join us for either, or both, meetings.

We Need Not Walk Alone. We are The Compassionate Friends.

The Compassionate Friends

Central Indiana Chapter

(317) 681-4292 (April)

Local Website: www.tcfcentralindiana.org

National Website: www.compassionatefriends.org

The Compassionate Friends - September 14, 2024 at 01:20 PM

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“ I never personally met Chad, as we were friends through an online message board that catered to fans of one of his favorite bands, Umphrey's McGee. He was hilarious and his enthusiasm for movies and music was very infectious. Personally, we had several interactions in which he encouraged my love of music through getting out more and seeing concerts. He also was very blunt and helpful in getting people to be a better version of themselves. He was a great great human being. However what will never fade for me was his love for his daughter. He loved her so much, and it helped me personally to want to be just like him in that regard. I want his daughter to know this, and that her dad was truly an awesome person. I'm so sorry for your loss, but know this.... he made our corner of the internet a good place in this world. Much love.

Jason Schladenhauffen - September 06, 2024 at 04:27 PM