



Chad Daniel Downs

May 26, 1983 - July 13, 2025

With deep sorrow, we share that Chad Daniel Downs passed away on July 13, 2025, at the age of 42. Born in Lindsay, Montana, to Charmaine Huffman and Andrew Downs, Chad's life began on the family farm—where he developed his strong work ethic, love for ranching, and passion for the outdoors.

Chad was a spirited and adventurous soul who lived life fully. Whether snowmobiling through fresh powder or hiking mountain trails, he found peace and joy in nature. He loved sports in his youth—especially baseball and wrestling—and later channeled his determination into competitive fitness.

When Chad set his mind to something, he gave it his all.

He had an infectious personality and a heart that was always open to others. Chad was proud to be a son, brother, uncle, and friend. He had a gift for lifting people up, often with laughter, and would do anything for those he cared about.

Professionally, Chad excelled in the oilfield industry before launching Bar 7 Rentals, a thriving business that reflected his entrepreneurial spirit and commitment to his community. Though life presented its challenges, Chad faced them with strength and grace, never letting hardship define him.

Chad leaves behind a legacy of love, resilience, and connection. He was preceded in death by his grandfathers, Jack Patterson and Jack Downs, and his grandmother, Lorraine Loop. He is survived by his mother, Charmaine Huffman; father and stepmother, Andy and Dalice Downs; brothers, Chase (Brittany) Downs and Quaid (Sarah) Huffman; stepbrother, Aaron (Heather)

McIntyre; nieces, Reese and Claire Downs; nephews, Lochland Huffman, Alex Eaton, Hayden McIntyre, and Jett McIntyre; and grandmother, Betty Downs. Chad touched many lives and will be remembered for his courage, kindness, and adventurous spirit. He will be deeply missed and forever loved.

Visitation will be from 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM on Thursday, July 17, 2025 at the Silha Funeral Home in Glendive. Funeral services will be at 11:00 AM on Friday, July 18, 2025 at Zion Lutheran Church in Glendive with Pastor Avis Anderson officiating. Interment will be in the Dawson County Cemetery. Silha Funeral Home of Glendive has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Watch funeral services live at: <http://youtube.com/channel/UC7qO5Mh-c-MA0UhXpUQETRQ/live>

Memorials in Chad's name are suggested to any local youth activity organization (Legion baseball, Lead Devils, 4H, etc.)

Remembrances and condolences can be shared with the family at: www.silhafuneralhomes.com.

Cemetery Details

Dawson County Cemetery

Corner of North Sargent Ave. and East Allard
Street
Glendive, MT 59330

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 17. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (MT)

Silha Funeral Homes - Glendive, Montana
221 N. Meade Avenue
P.O. Box 848
Glendive, MT 59330
(406) 377-2622
silha@midrivers.com
<https://www.silhafuneralhomes.com>

Funeral Service

JUL 18. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (MT)

Zion Lutheran Church
401 Riverview Avenue
Glendive, MT 59330

Tribute Wall



“ *Silha Funeral Homes created a Webcast in memory of Chad Daniel Downs*



Silha Funeral Home - July 17, 2025 at 12:35 PM

DB

“ *Dear Andy and family. I am so sorry to hear of the loss of Chad. Such a kind soul. May he find peace and may the good Lord give you peace and comfort in this difficult time*

Dennis and Cindi Byron - August 06, 2025 at 01:09 PM

WD

“ *Heartfelt sympathy for Chad's Mom and Dad and families. It is heartbreaking to lose a child. Let God hold you close.*

Wendy denby-pascale - July 21, 2025 at 11:43 PM

PL

“ *Pam Lewis lit a candle in memory of Chad Downs*



Pam Lewis - July 19, 2025 at 03:59 PM

ES

“ Sending my deepest condolences.



Erin Smart - July 19, 2025 at 02:06 PM

JS

“ I am very sad to hear of Chad’s passing. I first met him at his business, and he had such an infectious enthusiasm and was eager to share his knowledge and explain how things work. Every time he transported equipment to my home he was quick to jump in and give me tips, grab a shovel and chip in, or just smile and share stories. He was a great listener. If ever he failed to answer when I called to ask a question, I could count on him calling within an hour or so, apologizing that he was on the road delivering a piece of equipment. In short, he was as conscientious and hard working of a man that you could ever encounter and I will miss sharing sports and dog stories with him.

John Sillery - July 19, 2025 at 09:58 AM

MC

“ Maryann Clingingsmith lit a candle in memory of Chad Downs



Maryann Clingingsmith - July 18, 2025 at 03:03 PM

TL

“ Tom Lloyd lit a candle in memory of Chad Downs



Tom Lloyd - July 18, 2025 at 08:55 AM

TR

“ I am sorry for your loss! You are all in my thoughts and prayers.

Tammy Reed - July 17, 2025 at 09:23 PM

JD

“ Jodi And Bob Dobson sent a virtual gift in memory of Chad Daniel Downs



Jodi and Bob Dobson - July 17, 2025 at 09:14 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Chad Daniel Downs.



July 17, 2025 at 06:30 PM

DO

“ Andy and family so sorry for your loss!!!! My thoughts and prayers are with you.....

Dean L Oellermann - July 17, 2025 at 04:34 PM

CR

“ Dear Andy and Dalice and Chase and the downs family.

So sad to learn of the loss of Chad when I talked w/Georgia. Much too young to check out of a life here on earth. It's super tough to lose a son or daughter who is supposed to be around longer than their parents. Paul, the apostle believed for himself that to be absent from the body was to be present w/the Lord. My heart felt love and sympathy to you all.

Craig Hull and family.

craighull - July 17, 2025 at 02:11 PM



LP

“ LuAnn and Shayne Price lit a candle in memory of Chad Downs

LuAnn and Shayne Price - July 17, 2025 at 01:43 PM



TF

“ The Overcast family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Chad Daniel Downs.

The Overcast family - July 17, 2025 at 12:08 PM



MW

“ *Montana and Lindsey Wergin lit a candle in memory of Chad Downs*



Montana and Lindsey Wergin - July 17, 2025 at 11:24 AM

RU

“ *Randy & Cheryl Unruh lit a candle in memory of Chad Downs*



Randy & Cheryl Unruh - July 17, 2025 at 10:11 AM

TL

“ *The Lysohirs purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Chad Daniel Downs.*



The Lysohirs - July 17, 2025 at 08:14 AM

TY

“ *The Yoders purchased the Rose Remembrance for the family of Chad Daniel Downs.*



The Yoders - July 17, 2025 at 12:04 AM

TY

“ The Yoders planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Chad Daniel Downs.

The Yoders - July 17, 2025 at 12:04 AM

GM

“ Andy and Charmaine- so sorry to hear of the loss of your son Chad. It is so heartbreaking to go thru the loss of a child. Our thoughts and prayers are with both of you and your families. God Bless and give you comfort.

Gary and Connie Marman - July 16, 2025 at 10:04 PM

JJ

“ jane jarvid lit a candle in memory of Chad Downs



jane jarvid - July 16, 2025 at 08:22 PM

LS

“ Love Brooke and Seth purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Chad Daniel Downs.



Love Brooke and Seth - July 16, 2025 at 08:22 PM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Chad Daniel Downs.*



July 16, 2025 at 04:22 PM



“ *Ami Haggerty Cuskelly lit a candle in memory of Chad Downs*



Ami Haggerty Cuskelly - July 16, 2025 at 03:46 PM



“ *Elizabeth S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Chad Daniel Downs.*

Elizabeth S. - July 16, 2025 at 03:16 PM



“ *Downs Family. I'm so sorry for your loss! Becky (Chouinard) Tipton*

Becky Tipton - July 16, 2025 at 02:59 PM

SK

“ Shawn and Kathie lit a candle in memory of Chad Downs



Shawn and Kathie - July 16, 2025 at 02:17 PM

JB

“ jim and alice bachmeier lit a candle in memory of Chad Downs



jim and alice bachmeier - July 16, 2025 at 12:09 PM

MR

“ So sorry for your loss. May he rest in peace.

Marlys Rathbun - July 16, 2025 at 11:33 AM

LI

“ Our Prayers are with all of you. Sorry for your loss.
Gary & Lynn Ingraham



Lynn Ingraham - July 16, 2025 at 10:57 AM

SF

“ Our condolences to your family. Sorry for your loss.

Steve Hilliard family - July 16, 2025 at 10:43 AM

BR

“ Breann Robbins lit a candle in memory of Chad Downs



Breann Robbins - July 16, 2025 at 12:19 AM

AS

“ Annette S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Chad Daniel Downs.

Annette S. - July 16, 2025 at 12:16 AM

JH

“ I visited with Chad last summer and really enjoyed talking with him. I thought that he was a good person. And sorry to hear about him passing. My heart and prayers go out to his family and loved ones.

Jerry Hinton - July 15, 2025 at 11:48 PM

MH

“ Our deepest condolences to all of you.



Mike and Connie Hilger - July 15, 2025 at 11:45 PM

MW

“ Mike and Linda Wyse lit a candle in memory of Chad Downs



Mike and Linda Wyse - July 15, 2025 at 10:42 PM

DG

“ Dean and Kim George lit a candle in memory of Chad Downs



Dean and Kim George - July 15, 2025 at 08:00 PM

KR

“ I am so sorry and saddened by the loss of Chad. He had the absolute best smile and would lend a hand to help out wherever he could. Prayers for comfort during this difficult time. Kylie Smith Rohloff

Kylie Smith Rohloff - July 15, 2025 at 06:56 PM

TB

“ The Peterson Family BCCJ purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of Chad Daniel Downs.



The Peterson Family BCCJ - July 15, 2025 at 06:27 PM

MF

“ Chad was such a great friend, always made us laugh and was fun to have around. We are grateful for the memories we have with him.
- Merchant Family



Merchant Family - July 15, 2025 at 06:08 PM

JH

Great pictures thank you for sharing.

Jerry Hinton - July 16, 2025 at 02:15 PM

AR

“ Andeen Raymond lit a candle in memory of Chad Downs



Andeen Raymond - July 15, 2025 at 06:05 PM



“ Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Chad Daniel Downs.



July 15, 2025 at 05:58 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Chad Daniel Downs.

July 15, 2025 at 05:58 PM



“ Lindsay (Sadorf) Sondersen lit a candle in memory of Chad Daniel Downs



Lindsay (Sadorf) Sondersen - July 15, 2025 at 05:28 PM



“ The Highland's purchased the Rose Remembrance for the family of Chad Daniel Downs.



The Highland's - July 15, 2025 at 05:27 PM



“ Anita Spencer lit a candle in memory of Chad Daniel Downs



Anita Spencer - July 15, 2025 at 05:13 PM

RV

“ *Rita and Vic lit a candle in memory of Chad Downs*



Rita and Vic - July 15, 2025 at 05:03 PM

TP

“ *Sorry about your loss. He was my classmate.*

Tyler Pust - July 15, 2025 at 04:18 PM

TP

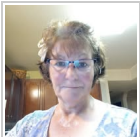
“ *Sorry about your loss. He was my classmate.*

Tyler Pust - July 15, 2025 at 04:14 PM

KM

“ *I will never forget the bright smile and joy Chad expressed at Chase and Brittany's wedding! He was so fun and gave an emotional, sincere and funny best man's speech! May he rest in peace! Prayers for all of his family and friends!*

Kathy Matthews - July 15, 2025 at 03:45 PM



“ *3 files added to the album Chad*



Tana Buckingham - July 15, 2025 at 03:41 PM

TF

“ The Oeleis Family purchased the *Blue Caribbean Bouquet* for the family of Chad Daniel Downs.



The Oeleis Family - July 15, 2025 at 03:17 PM

TF

“ The Oeleis Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Chad Daniel Downs.

The Oeleis Family - July 15, 2025 at 03:17 PM

DS

“ Denise Stoddart lit a candle in memory of Chad Downs



Denise Stoddart - July 15, 2025 at 02:54 PM

LC

“ Love Ehmans, Petersons & Corrys purchased the *Full Of Love Bouquet* for the family of Chad Daniel Downs.



Love Ehmans, Petersons & Corrys - July 15, 2025 at 02:47 PM

CB

“ Crew from Big Sky Butcher purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Chad Daniel Downs.



Crew from Big Sky Butcher - July 15, 2025 at 02:43 PM

SW

“ shirley wolff lit a candle in memory of Chad Downs



shirley wolff - July 15, 2025 at 02:09 PM

MM

“ Marla McCormick lit a candle in memory of Chad Downs



Marla McCormick - July 15, 2025 at 12:50 PM

HS

“ Helen Bjerkreim Schmitz lit a candle in memory of Chad Downs



Helen Bjerkreim Schmitz - July 15, 2025 at 12:36 PM

BS

“ *Bob & Kristie Stanhope lit a candle in memory of Chad Downs*



Bob & Kristie Stanhope - July 15, 2025 at 12:21 PM

BS

“ *Bill & Anne Sadorf lit a candle in memory of Chad Downs*



Bill & Anne Sadorf - July 15, 2025 at 12:20 PM

KA

“ *Kim & Lora Lee Anderson lit a candle in memory of Chad Downs*



Kim & Lora Lee Anderson - July 15, 2025 at 12:13 PM

AE

“ *Ashley Etchart lit a candle in memory of Chad Downs*



Ashley Etchart - July 15, 2025 at 12:00 PM

HM

“ We are so sorry to hear about your loss. thinking of you at this time.



Henry and Darla Mischel - July 15, 2025 at 11:29 AM

WH

“ Wes & JoJo Hagen lit a candle in memory of Chad Downs



Wes & JoJo Hagen - July 15, 2025 at 10:58 AM

TK

“ Terry and Deb Knapp lit a candle in memory of Chad Downs



Terry and Deb Knapp - July 15, 2025 at 09:33 AM

FL

“ From powerbuilt construction llc purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Chad Daniel Downs.



From powerbuilt construction llc - July 15, 2025 at 09:22 AM

FL

“ From powerbuilt construction llc planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Chad Daniel Downs.

From powerbuilt construction llc - July 15, 2025 at 09:22 AM

VK

“ Val Kuntz lit a candle in memory of Chad Downs



Val Kuntz - July 15, 2025 at 08:38 AM

GK

“ Grace Koffler lit a candle in memory of Chad Downs



Grace Koffler - July 15, 2025 at 07:48 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Chad Daniel Downs.



July 15, 2025 at 02:48 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Chad Daniel Downs.

July 15, 2025 at 02:48 AM



“ Bruce Sapp lit a candle in memory of Chad Downs



Bruce Sapp - July 14, 2025 at 11:48 PM