



Christopher Michael Drake

December 21, 1977 - May 4, 2026

Christopher Michael Drake, 48, passed away 10:45 a.m., Monday, May 4, 2026 at the Kobacker House, Columbus, Ohio, with his loving family at his side. He was born December 21, 1977, in Bellefontaine, Ohio, the son of Russell and Melody (Spaugy) Drake. His mother, Melody (husband Charles-dec) Kitchen, survives in Belle Center, and his father survives in California. On November 17, 2009, he married Brittney L. Melton, and she survives.

Other survivors include,

5 children, Aaron,

Dyllon Ferguson, Lima, OH,

Caleb (Kenzie Davenport) Drake, Bellefontaine, OH,

Bailee Drake, Belle Center, OH,

Makayla Sadler, Bellefontaine;

a grandson;

3 siblings, Jennifer (Charlie) Banning, Lakeview, OH,

Randy (Michelle) Wise, Jackson, OH,

Zachary (George Hannas) Kitchen, Columbus, OH;

2 nieces, Angel Banning, Melody Banning,

a nephew, Charlie Banning.

Chris worked as a fork lift operator with Midwest Elastomers, Wapakoneta, and AGC Glass Co., Bellefontaine, Ohio. He also worked as a delivery man with Door Dash. He enjoyed riding dirt bikes, working on cars, and playing video games. Chris treasured his time being outdoors and working around the

house.

A Celebration of Chris' Life will be held at place and time to be announced at a later date. Memorial contributions may be directed to My Husband's Brain Tumor Journey Go Fund Me account or the Kobacker House. Arrangements are under the direction of The Eley Funeral Home & Crematory, Wapakoneta, where condolences may be expressed at www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com.

Tribute Wall

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“ I remember one weekend me, Ron Bartels and our kids went to visit Chris. We decided to have a cookout by the lake. Ron and Chris went to get mustard ...took them an hour. Then they had to put the grill together. That was another hour, lol. Both of them were drunk and neither wanted to follow the directions. It was a good day and we loved every minute. We're going to miss Chris. We love him very much. Prayers for his family.

Teddi Bartels. I'm his Aunt. - May 07 at 07:31 PM