



Brian "Chad" Bates

May 10, 1974 - November 19, 2023

Chad Bates, 49, of Tavares, FL, passed away on November 19, 2023. Born on May 10, 1974, in Miami, Florida, Chad was a beloved son, father, brother, and friend.

Chad attended Spring Valley High School and went on to earn a Bachelor's degree in Economics from Florida State University. During his time at the university, Chad excelled, becoming a first-team All-ACC football player. He later pursued his passion for football and played in the European league before having a brief season with the Dallas Cowboys.

Outside of his career in sales, Chad had a deep love for music, sports, cooking, and the great outdoors. He was an avid sports fan, with a heart that bled garnet and gold for his beloved Florida State Seminoles. Chad also enjoyed fishing and, despite his lack of skill, always had a good time playing golf. His friends knew him as a funny and kind-hearted individual who would go above and beyond to help others. Chad's love for his family was immeasurable, and he cherished every moment spent with them.

Chad is survived by his parents Junior and Carolyn Bates, children, Cami, Cole, from his previous relationship with Nikki Cornwell and Piper Bates with his wife, Jennifer Powers. He is also survived by his sister, Bae Scelfo and brother-in-law, Jim Scelfo, nephews, Torr and Shepard, nieces, Alon and

Alafair Scelfo.

In memory of Chad Bates, contributions can be made to Pediatric Cancer Research through St. Jude Children's Research Hospital at www.stjude.org.

On November 30th, A Celebration of Life will be held at Lakeside Inn in Mount Dora, FL from 12-3 followed by a Memorial Service at First Baptist Church of Mount Dora at 4:00.

Chad will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him. His infectious laughter, caring nature, and unwavering loyalty will forever be remembered. May he rest in peace.

Arrangements entrusted to Beyers Funeral Home of Leesburg, Florida.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

NOV **30**. 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Lakeside Inn
100 Alexander St
Mount Dora, FL 32757

Memorial Service

NOV **30**. 4:00 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church Of Mount Dora
1000 E 1st Ave
Mount Dora, FL 32757