



Chase A. Montgomery

November 10, 1985 - June 24, 2025

Chase Adam Montgomery, 39, of San Jose passed away on Tuesday, June 24, 2025. He was born on November 10, 1985 in Pekin to Donald Montgomery and Angel Goodwin. After many years of dating he married Gina Tibbs on July 5, 2023 in Clearwater, Florida.

Chase is survived by his wife Gina Montgomery, 6 children: Carter Montgomery, Maddison Abner, Kaden Tibbs, Hailee Abner, Peyton Abner and Marlie Abner, 2 grandchildren: Liam and Kinsley Lane, his parents Don and Angel, 2 siblings: Brooke (Phil) McIntire, Brynt (Casey Schaffer) Montgomery and 5 nieces and nephews: Deagan, Rorey, Bailey, Sophia and Blayke. He was preceded in death by both sets of grandparents.

Chase was a 2004 graduate of Ilini Central High School and went on to work as a machine operator for Sun Ag in Emden. He was a member of the San Jose United Methodist Church.

Chase loved his family beyond measure. He never missed an opportunity to make someone smile—whether it was with a joke, a story, or one of his legendary late-night snacks. (If you know, you know; sautéed shrimp and a half-gallon of milk at midnight.) “It’s a beverage, not an ingredient,” he’d say with a grin.

He found joy in the simple things: dancing in the kitchen with his wife, decorating for Christmas with the most exotic, over-the-top lights and decorations on the block, or bringing home new toys for the grandkids—just

because.

Chase had a passion for gardening, car shows, and collecting—especially RC cars, model cars, Hot Wheels, and toy tractors. He spent countless hours in his garage tinkering, fixing, and crafting. Teaching his kids how to work with their hands and the value of hard work was one of his greatest joys. He was proud of his career, especially his work in agriculture and his beloved 4440 Patriot sprayer.

He loved his animals, his faithful Hadley, Margo, Millie and even his arch-nemesis, Luther.

He found peace in nature on camping trips, kayaking adventures, ranger rides, and sunset cruises with family. Though he was scared of heights, he preferred the mountains to the ocean—just don't ask him to stand too close to the edge.

Chase loved burnouts, drag strip days, and anything with a loud engine, especially his Chevy trucks. He was the first call his kids made when they were in a bind—whether it was car trouble or even when they were running from the cops. No matter the hour, rain, or snow, he always showed up without question.

He didn't know a stranger. Chase made everyone feel like somebody. He listened without judgment, loved without condition, and lived with a heart full of generosity.

He was a great man. A husband, a father, a grandfather, a friend—and a light that will never dim in the lives of those who loved him.

A funeral service will be held on Tuesday, July 1, 2025 at 10:00 Am at the San Jose United Methodist Church with Steve Bagby officiating, burial to follow at Green Hill Cemetery. Visitation will be held on Monday, June 30, 2025 also at the church from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM. Memorial contributions can be made to Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, Missouri. Online condolences can be left at www.hurleyfh.com. Hurley Funeral Home in Mason City is in charge of the arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Green Hill Cemetery

San Jose, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 30. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

San Jose United Methodist Church
600 South 1st Street
San Jose, IL 62682
(309) 247-3232

Funeral Service

JUL 1. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Hurley Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Chase A. Montgomery



Hurley Funeral Home - June 30, 2025 at 01:10 PM



“ Joann Hughes lit a candle in memory of Chase A. Montgomery



Joann Hughes - July 08, 2025 at 05:46 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Chase A. Montgomery.



June 30, 2025 at 09:32 AM

KA

“ *Kim Allen lit a candle in memory of Chase Montgomery*



Kim Allen - June 29, 2025 at 08:20 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Chase A. Montgomery.*



June 29, 2025 at 08:06 AM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Chase A. Montgomery.*

June 29, 2025 at 08:06 AM

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“ *Illini Central Class of 2004 purchased the Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray for the family of Chase A. Montgomery.*



Illini Central Class of 2004 - June 28, 2025 at 10:24 PM

BJ

“ Donnie and family in my thoughts and prayers, so very sorry for your loss. With my Deepest Sympathy, Bonnie Jones 🙏🙏 God Bless



Bonnie Jones - June 28, 2025 at 12:52 PM



“ Pamela Karr-Cook lit a candle in memory of Chase Montgomery



Pamela Karr-Cook - June 27, 2025 at 06:29 PM

BS

“ Donnie and family so sorry for your loss in my thoughts and prayers God Bless 'Beverly Stafford.



Beverly Stafford - June 27, 2025 at 12:24 PM

LP

“ Leann Parker lit a candle in memory of Chase Montgomery



Leann Parker - June 26, 2025 at 09:32 PM

BP

“ I met Chase through my husband and he was the kindest and sweetest man! Anytime we would show up at his while on a drive he always make it a point to come out and talk to me and always made me laugh!! We will definitely miss you Chase 😞

Brittany Palladini - June 26, 2025 at 04:17 PM

HN

“ Sending Prayers and Big Hugs- Losing Chase was a Huge Loss to Many!



Heath & Jade Nunn - June 26, 2025 at 02:15 PM



“ Chase and I weren't very close but he was with my dad Ed. My dad thought as Chase not only as a good friend, nephew, but also son. When my mom died, Chase was there for my dad when Dad couldn't talk to us kids about it. I'll always appreciate you Chase. I will always be grateful for you.



Lacey Austin - June 26, 2025 at 02:03 PM

RS

“ I did not know Chase, but I commend the obituary writer. You made me regret not knowing this fine person. Thank you for your time and thoughts. May our friend R.I.P. Rick Setzer

Rick Setzer - June 26, 2025 at 12:57 PM

ES

“ This young man was like another kid of mine I especially appreciate that when my wife Paula passed and I struggled to talk to my kids about it because it hurt to much he was there to listen to me He was always there to help if ever needed I'll miss his big smile and laugh and those late nights in the garage listening to the songs and just chilling and laughing He was a good man who always brightened my day I will miss him dearly RIP CHASE

Ed Skelton - June 26, 2025 at 12:37 PM

JM

“ He definitely was a good guy Gone to soon !
all my thoughts and prayers to his family



jean meikle - June 26, 2025 at 12:30 PM