



## Chad French

May 10, 1976 - September 25, 2025

Chad Wayne French, 49, of Batavia, Iowa passed away on September 25, 2025 at the MercyOne Medical Center in Centerville, Iowa. He was born on May 10, 1976 in Bloomfield, Iowa to Gary Wayne and Ardell Lorraine Witt French. He graduated from Davis County High School in 1994. On May 14, 2016 he married Rose Gingerich in Ottumwa, Iowa.

Chad drove a truck for Zaputil Trucking in Mystic, Iowa – making weekly trips to Florida and back. He lived for the weekend so he could spend time with his wife and two little daughters, GracieMae Rose and DaisyLou Rayne. Chad was a loving father and enjoyed doing everything with his girls – be it fishing or painting fingernails, Chad truly cherished his time with them. Chad loved working on cars with his father and was especially fond of Chevrolets and the 1968 Camaro he spent so much time on. He also enjoyed golfing, trap and target shooting, and getting together with family. He was a member of The Bridge Church in Ottumwa and had been active on the worship team and running the sound for services. He was always willing to serve the needs of the church and lend a helping hand to fellow parishioners. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

He is survived by his wife, Rose French; two daughters, GracieMae Rose and DaisyLou Rayne French; parents, Gary and Ardell French of Bloomfield; sister, Chastati (Tory) Schaefer of Lindstrom, Minnesota; nieces; nephews;

aunts; and uncles.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Wayne and Barbara French, Fred and Ruby Witt.

Memorial services will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, September 30, 2025 at the Wagler Funeral Home in Bloomfield with Pastor Marty Schmidt officiating. Visitation will begin at noon on Monday with the family present to greet friends from 5-7:00 p.m. at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, a memorial has been established to his daughters.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **29**. 12:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Wagler Funeral Home  
304 West Jefferson Street  
Bloomfield, IA 52537  
(641) 664-3421  
<https://www.waglerfuneralhome.com/>

## Visitation with Family Present

SEP **29**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Wagler Funeral Home  
304 West Jefferson Street  
Bloomfield, IA 52537  
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## Memorial Service

SEP **30**. 10:30 AM (CT)

Wagler Funeral Home  
304 West Jefferson Street  
Bloomfield, IA 52537  
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# Tribute Wall

KS

“ Karen Spargur lit a candle in memory of Chad French



Karen Spargur - October 04, 2025 at 07:12 PM

HO

“ Chad never greeted me with a handshake, it was always, "Hey, Howie" and a bear hug.

Howie - September 30, 2025 at 04:52 PM

MH

“ So, so Sorry for the Family & Friends loss of Chad 😞  
May God's Love help comfort everyone  
🙏❤️🙏  
Mark & Nancy Holt



Mark and Nancy Holt - September 29, 2025 at 06:21 PM



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

September 29, 2025 at 05:51 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Chad French.



September 29, 2025 at 05:51 PM



“ So sorry to hear of Chads passing. Thoughts and prayers are with you!

**Ed Ruth** - September 29, 2025 at 01:34 PM



“ From Floyd Rose and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Chad French.

**From Floyd Rose and family** - September 29, 2025 at 01:00 PM



“ From Floyd Rose and family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Chad French.



**From Floyd Rose and family** - September 29, 2025 at 01:00 PM



“ Mary & Clint Schreiber planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Chad French.

**Mary & Clint Schreiber** - September 29, 2025 at 10:36 AM

MS

“ Mary & Clint Schreiber purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Chad French.



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**Mary & Clint Schreiber** - September 29, 2025 at 10:36 AM

JD

“ Jodi D. purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Chad French.



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**Jodi D.** - September 28, 2025 at 08:54 PM

LH

“ Landen & Terri Hedrick purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Chad French.



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**Landen & Terri Hedrick** - September 28, 2025 at 07:08 PM

MS

“ Milo and Shannon purchased the Forever Our Angel Bouquet for the family of Chad French.



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**Milo and Shannon** - September 27, 2025 at 12:18 PM

TW

“ So very sorry and shocked to hear of Chad's sudden passing. May God give you strength, comfort, courage and healing.

Thomas C Williamson - September 27, 2025 at 11:56 AM

AC

“ Ashley, chase and Blake courtney purchased the Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses for the family of Chad French.



Ashley, chase and Blake courtney - September 27, 2025 at 09:53 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Chad French.



September 26, 2025 at 11:22 PM

LB

“ Linda Borntreger lit a candle in memory of Chad French



Linda Borntreger - September 26, 2025 at 10:40 PM

AR

“ Allison Rebling purchased the Simply Elegant Sp  
athiphyllum for the family of Chad French.



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**Allison Rebling** - September 26, 2025 at 10:07 PM

CT

“ Carla Thompson lit a candle in memory of  
Chad French



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**Carla Thompson** - September 26, 2025 at 09:14 PM

CT

*Ron and I are so sorry. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

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**Carla Thompson** - September 26, 2025 at 09:14 PM

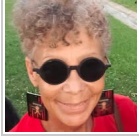


“ Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of  
Chad French.



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September 26, 2025 at 07:48 PM



“ *Im so sorry to hear of your son's passing, Gary and Ardell.*



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**Janet Johnson Weitenhagen** - September 26, 2025 at 07:31 PM

BB

“ *Keeping the whole French family in my thoughts and prayers during this very difficult time.*

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**Brandi Bruce** - September 26, 2025 at 07:04 PM

PS

“ *Ps. Marty & the Bridge staff purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Chad French.*



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**Ps. Marty & the Bridge staff** - September 26, 2025 at 06:43 PM

RC

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the family*  
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**Rebecca coyne** - September 26, 2025 at 06:29 PM

CR

“ *So sorry to hear of the passing of Chad. Praying for the family*

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**Carol Reames** - September 26, 2025 at 04:55 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Chad French.*



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September 26, 2025 at 04:04 PM



“ *Steve Lowe lit a candle in memory of Chad French*



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**Steve lowe** - September 26, 2025 at 02:56 PM