



Chad Marshall Banks

September 12, 1977 - September 6, 2025

Chad Banks, 47, of Sweetwater, Tennessee, passed away on September 6, 2025. He was born on September 12, 1977, in Joliet, Illinois, to Craig Banks and Janet Banks-Thomas (Edwin).

A 1996 graduate of Cannon Falls High School, Chad went on to proudly serve his country in the United States Navy from April 1998 to April 2006 as an aircraft specialist. Following his military service, he continued his career in aviation, working with Gulfstream Aviation in Appleton, Wisconsin, and later with Conger Industries in Green Bay, Wisconsin. In 2022, he relocated to Sweetwater, Tennessee, where he quickly became part of the community and a member of VFW Post 5156.

Chad will be remembered for his love of the outdoors, especially hunting and fishing, as well as his talent for working on engines and repairing just about anything. Those who knew him will never forget his warm smile and infectious laugh, which could light up any room. His faithful service dog and best friend, Jake, was always by his side, bringing him comfort and companionship. Chad also shared a special bond with his dear friend Tammy Phillips, who brought joy and love into his life. Above all, he cherished time spent with his family.

He is survived by his children Jeremiah (Julia), Cassandra, and Lucius (Clare); granddaughter Valerie; his parents Craig Banks and Janet (Edwin) Banks-Thomas; his brother Josh (Melissa) Banks; stepbrother Jeremy (Ashlee) Thomas; stepsisters Jennifer (Burt) Kleckley and Jessica Thomas; nephews and niece Kyler (Jensyn) Banks, Kalysa (Carlton) Lindow, and

Kendric Banks; and great-nephew Micaiah Lindow.

Chad was preceded in death by his grandparents Eldridge and Doris Banks, Carl and Helen Benson, and Elmer and Verna Thomas, as well as many aunts and uncles.

Chad's legacy will live on in the lives of those who loved him, and he will be deeply missed. The family would like to extend their heartfelt gratitude to the staff of Sweetwater Hospital for their care and compassion during his final days.

Kyker Funeral Homes, Sweetwater, in charge of arrangements. www.kykerfuneralhomes.com

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

SEP **12.** 6:00 PM (ET)

Sweetwater VFW Goldstar Post 5156
137 Veterans Road
Sweetwater, TN 37874

Tribute Wall



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“ I remember Chad and Josh as my neighbors next door growing up. I recall Chad as having a rather difficult childhood. Janet and the boys were good neighbors. The house is still a Banks home. Great-grandpa George was married to my Grandma's sister Alice so we are family. I live next door in Grandma's retirement house they built in 1947 and I've lived here 45 years. I am thankful for the strength of the Banks family. I am so grateful to see Chad went on to become a good man and found happiness. I'm glad to have known him. Diane K. (Johnson) Dierke

Diane K Dierke - October 11, 2025 at 05:42 PM



“ A grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Chad Marshall Banks.

September 10, 2025 at 08:34 PM



“ We didn't get to spend much time with Chad but the first time we met him we felt that we had known him a long time. Chad was so much like his mom, gentle, sweet and so very kind to everyone. I know that you are rejoicing Chad as you are talking face to face with Jesus. You will be missed so much but someday there will be a great reunion in Heaven. You are loved and missed but we will meet again !!!!! Praying for your family and especially you dear mama and my sweet sister.

Peggy Planer - September 08, 2025 at 12:30 PM

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“ Chris, Brian, Ryan, Luke, Aaron & Grant purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Chad Marshall Banks.



Chris, Brian, Ryan, Luke, Aaron & Grant - September 08, 2025 at 11:39 AM

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“ Chad was one of a kind. Loved picking on my for cheering for the Lions and I gave it right back to about the Vikings. My Spotted Cow hook-iup lol. He was such a great guy and will truly be missed at Post 5156. Tammy and Chads family my thoughts and prayers are with.

Denise - September 07, 2025 at 10:18 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Chad Marshall Banks.



September 07, 2025 at 09:24 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Chad Marshall Banks.



September 07, 2025 at 03:30 PM



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

September 07, 2025 at 03:30 PM



“ Served with Chad from 98-02. Immediately became friends. Both from MN and love of snowmobiling were just some of the things we had in common. Been out to Appleton a few times to see my “brother” and was always treated as such. Will miss him more than I care to admit and it saddens me to know I will not be able to see my brother until we meet in heaven. Love you Chad...will miss you brother.

scott blaisdell - September 07, 2025 at 03:15 PM