



## Douglas Daniel Champagne

May 24, 1984 - August 27, 2022

Winona, Minnesota

Douglas Daniel Champagne, age 38 of Winona, MN, passed away unexpectedly at his home, on August 27, 2022.

He was born in Key West Memorial Hospital, Key West, Florida, on May 24, 1984 to Diane (Selness) Poirier and Daniel Champagne.

Douglas graduated with a degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of Iowa. He was employed at Benchmark in Winona, MN.

Survivors include his mother Diane (Thomas) Poirier of Decorah, Iowa, and his father Daniel (Maria) Champagne of Bangor, Maine.

His brother Steven (Kendra) Poirier, and his sisters Nicole (Joel) Chalfant, and Shannon Champagne. Along with special friend Christine Shultz, and best K9 companion Pixel.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents Harold and Helen Selness, his maternal grandmother Patt Poirier, and paternal grandfather Louis Champagne, and his uncles Bert Selness, Dale Champagne, and Scott Poirier.

Memorial services will be held Tuesday, September 6th at 2:00 P.M. at Highland Evangelical Lutheran Church, rural Decorah, IA  
Pastor Lane Zaffke will officiate.

Roble Funeral Home of Spring Grove, MN is assisting the family with arrangements.

Floral arrangements may be sent to the church.



## Cemetery Details

**Burial at a later date**

## Previous Events

### Memorial Service

SEP 6. 2:00 PM (CT)

Highland Evangelical Lutheran Church  
3824 Highlandville Rd  
Decorah, IA 52101

# Tribute Wall

LB

“ Tommy and Diane. Please accept our deepest condolences for you and yours. As you continue to navigate through your grief, please know we will continue our prayers for peace, comfort, healing and understanding. All my love for you all.

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**Lisa Born** - September 06, 2022 at 02:51 PM

BL

“ I didn't know Doug, but know his mom, brother and sister well. I'm so sorry for your loss and sending you peace and comfort during this difficult time.

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**B. Lutz** - September 06, 2022 at 02:47 PM



“*Doug’s friends at Intel would like to express our sincere condolences to Doug’s family & friends. Many of us have been devastated by this loss. We can only imagine how much this has impacted those closest to him.*

*Knowing that, our memories of Doug are of a partner that always strove for the best he could give of himself, of his company, and to make customers feel taken care of and understood. Doug was always the guy with the answers.*

*Doug had an incredibly sharp technical mind, energy that stood out amongst his peers, and an unparalleled day in and day out work ethic.*

*But, Doug’s integrity will be what lives on the most as we think of him. We are all very thankful to have known him.*

*Intel Aurora Team*

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**Ana Maria** - September 05, 2022 at 11:32 AM



“*Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Douglas Daniel Champagne.*



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September 05, 2022 at 11:30 AM

VB

“ My sincere condolences to Doug's family, I am so sorry for your loss. Doug was such a kind person, and will be missed by many. I worked with Doug at Benchmark, and know his engineering contributions have already, and continue to make a difference in the lives of many dialysis patients throughout the world. May he rest in peace and God bless all of his family.

Veronica Bell - September 03, 2022 at 10:53 PM

WI

“ Doug and I studied engineering together and quickly became friends. He was passionate about music and played bass guitar. Doug was always good at helping others, and making those around him feel welcome. He was also incredibly funny, intelligent, and a very good friend of mine. I have many good memories hanging out together and I will miss him very much.

Will - September 03, 2022 at 12:02 AM

RH

“ Richard and Sara Hollenbeck purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Douglas Daniel Champagne.



Richard and Sara Hollenbeck - September 02, 2022 at 05:05 PM

SH

“ So sorry for your loss 🙏 Doug will be sadly missed. He had a great personality, also very friendly to everyone he meet. He was a person you could talk to easily. He always had a smile and a joke to share to make you laugh. Rest in peace my friend



Susan Hempfner - September 02, 2022 at 02:38 PM

SH

“ So sorry for your loss. I worked with Doug at Benchmark. He was a very friendly and knowledgeable person. Had me laughing alot. Will miss his smile and his personality. Rest in peace my friend!

Sue Hempfner - September 02, 2022 at 01:20 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Douglas Daniel Champagne.



September 02, 2022 at 11:24 AM

BL

“ So saddened by this loss. A very intelligent, good man with a heart of gold. Had many great conversations with you at the Dieter's. RIP Doug.  
- Bob L.

Bob Larson - September 02, 2022 at 09:41 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Douglas Daniel Champagne.*



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September 02, 2022 at 06:55 AM



“ *Doug was one of my very close friends and the bassist to our band we formed with our drummer Buck around 16 years ago. We had so many good times/years playing music together it's unreal to think I am not going to be able to look over and rock out with him while he's jamming on the bass anymore. He was also our electronics/mic guy who knew how to record our music we made, any questions about electronics he was the the one to ask. He was very close to my wife and two boys and was always there for us to hang out and have a good time. He was willing to pull a treble hook out of my thumb after catching a gar on the boat while fishing by his place after a fun day playing on the dunes with the kids, or go to a concert with me when nobody else was willing, or just hang at his place and scratch on his turntables. He would be at my boy's birthday parties or deliver a special gift for them if he couldn't make it. We would try to make it to a Vikings game each year, or if not cheer them on together every weekend. I am going to miss all those good times together and am glad I was able to have such a good friend. We love and miss you Douglas*

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**Mike Dieter** - September 01, 2022 at 10:06 PM



“ I will miss you buddy 🥺🙏



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**AL Anderson** - September 01, 2022 at 08:51 PM