



## Chase Joseph Ford

May 10, 1994 - August 3, 2022

Chase Joseph Ford, age 28, of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, passed away peacefully on August 3, 2022, at his home in Kinross, Michigan, surrounded by family after a very courageous battle with cancer. He was born in Sault Ste. Marie, on May 10, 1994, and will be dearly missed by his parents Michael Ford and Heather Wilson and his siblings James, Matthew, and Megan Mendham, who looked up to their big brother.

Chase grew up in the Eastern Upper Peninsula attending Cedarville Schools and then graduating from Pickford Schools in 2012. During his high school years, he worked for Classic and Antique Boats for the Mertaugh's. Chase then attended Bay Mills Community College before transferring to Lake Superior State University to continue working towards his Engineering Degree. During this time, he worked for Custom Technology for three years and then Advanced Auto Parts for the last four years in Sault Ste. Marie. He only had a few classes remaining to complete his degree.

Chase loved spending time with his family and his beloved dog Bentley. He enjoyed everything outdoors: hunting, traveling, skiing, and especially fishing and camping trips with his grandparents. Chase had a passion for anything that was related to engineering and was a determined worker. He will be greatly missed for his easy-going nature and sense of humor.

Chase is survived by his parents, Heather (Adam Bernhardt) Wilson and Michael (Jamie Wight) Ford; brothers, James Mendham of Kinross, and Matthew Mendham of Kinross; sister, Megan Mendham of Kinross; grandparents, Sheri Ford of Florida, and Tom and Paulette Wilson of Drummond Island, Michigan; aunts, Holly (Tim) Perkins and Jennifer Wilson; Uncle, Scott (Leanne) Ford; and cousins, Makayla, Reese, and Riley, and Taylor (Jerrod) Dillon, who was like a sister to Chase.

Chase was preceded in death by his grandfather Vern Ford; and aunt, Jennifer Ford.

Memorial services have not yet been scheduled.

In lieu of cards and flowers, please donate to the Chippewa County Animal Shelter located at 3660 S. Mackinac Trail in Sault Ste Marie Michigan 49783, where he adopted Bentley or the Henry Ford Cancer Institute at Henry Ford Health, Development Office, 1 Ford Place #5A, Detroit, MI 48202.

Galer Funeral Homes & Cremation in Pickford, Michigan, is serving the family. Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.galerfuneralhomes.com](http://www.galerfuneralhomes.com).

# Tribute Wall



“ *Chase Joseph Ford*

October 05, 2023 at 09:54 AM



“ *Chase Joseph Ford*

October 02, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ *Heather Wilson lit a candle in memory of Chase Joseph Ford*



Heather Wilson - April 24, 2023 at 07:17 AM



“ *Chase Joseph Ford*

September 01, 2022 at 07:49 PM



“ *My deepest condolences to everyone who loved him.*

*I am so sorry for your loss; big hugs to all...*

Chuck Picotte - August 05, 2022 at 09:08 PM

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“ I had the pleasure of meeting chase last fall when heather stopped after another trip to Henry Ford he loves my chili and cornbread so much I had to give heather the recipe. He was a vibrant young man who adored his family and I wish he had the chance to realize all his dreams. My thoughts and prayers are with his family so that he can fly high and be at peace. Love you all so glad I got to see you last week.

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**raelyn sweebe** - August 05, 2022 at 06:21 PM