



Charles "Buddy" Freeman II

July 18, 1984 - September 29, 2024

Charles "Buddy" Freeman II, born July 18, 1984, passed away on the afternoon of September 29, 2024, at the age of 40. Buddy lived a life of selfless service, serving as a Corporal for the United States Marine Corps and later as a Lieutenant for Montgomery Fire Department. As a Marine, Buddy proved his tenacity and dedication to his country over his 6 years of service. While on active duty, beginning in 2003, Buddy was deployed to Cuba, Japan and Iraq twice to protect our freedoms and did so with the utmost pride. While there is no such thing as a former Marine, Buddy did transition away from the military and into the fire service. His decision was greatly influenced by his stepfather Butch Hayes. He began his career at Montgomery Fire Department in October of 2010 and served faithfully until his passing in September of 2024. Buddy was a quick study, and his leadership skills did not go unnoticed. He was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant in April of 2013. During his years as an officer for MFD, Buddy trained and mentored countless numbers of young firefighters. He could be described as a firefighter's officer. He always looked out for his guys and was not afraid to speak his mind. Buddy is the definition of a strong willed individual. It can be said without question that the actions Buddy took throughout his life and the courageous sacrifices he made contributed to countless lives saved. His impact and legacy will forever be remembered. Buddy loved his career and the guys at the station, but what he loved most was his family. Buddy and his wife April were high school sweethearts,

meeting at the young age of 16 and were married on April 22, 2005. They would go on to have two beautiful children Payton and Porter. Life with Buddy was always an adventure, and he cherished time with his family spent camping, mudding, kayaking and most recently sailing.

Charles "Buddy" Freeman was an incredible man, son, brother, husband and father. His courage and strength were unmatched and will not be forgotten.

Buddy was preceded in death by Grandmother Rosemary Hebbler, Grandparents Mary lou and Emil (Bud) Freeman, and Grandparents Mary and Bo Hayes. He is survived by His wife April Sue Freeman and two children Payton and Porter Freeman, Parents Sandra and Butch Hayes, His brother Cody Howard, and Brother-in-law Dallas Howard, Grandfather George (Buck) Hebbler, Uncle Rusty Hebbler, Aunt and Uncle Lori and Dave Wentworth, and Cousins.

Visitation will be at the Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home (20850 Eva St. Montgomery, TX 77356) on Sunday, October 6th. Family is invited to a private viewing from 4pm to 5pm and the public is welcome from 5pm to 7pm.

There will be a public memorial service held at the Margaritaville Conference Center (600 Margaritaville Park way, Montgomery, TX 77356) on Monday, October 7th at 10:00am.

You may leave written memorials to his family at www.shmfh.com

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **6**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Montgomery
10129 FM 1097 Rd W
Willis, TX 77318
(936) 890-0454
greg@shmfh.com
<https://www.shmfh.com>

Memorial Celebration

OCT **7**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Margaritaville Conference Center
600 Margaritaville Parkway
Montgomery, TX

Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Charles "Buddy" Freeman II.*



October 05, 2024 at 11:36 AM



“ *Chris and Alison Veazey, Glenda Stelly purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Charles "Buddy" Freeman II.*



Chris and Alison Veazey, Glenda Stelly - October 04, 2024 at 02:24 PM



“ *Marvin Hyvl sent a virtual gift in memory of Charles "Buddy" Freeman II*



Marvin Hyvl - October 04, 2024 at 12:42 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Charles "Buddy" Freeman II.*



October 04, 2024 at 10:39 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Charles "Buddy" Freeman II.*



October 04, 2024 at 10:10 AM