

Christopher Michael Chandler

August 4, 1972 ~ March 16, 2023

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Christopher Michael Chandler, who was called home to his Heavenly Father on March 16, 2023, in Alpine, Utah after an extended battle with cancer.

Chris was born August 4, 1972, in Provo, Utah to Lynn (Mortensen) and Michael Chandler and spent his early years in New Mexico until his family moved to Utah in 1984. Chris formed many friendships here that enriched his life and ignited his passion for the scriptures, ancient languages, and the history of the people of the Old and New Testaments. As a devoted follower of Jesus Christ, Chris served a mission to Western Samoa before meeting and marrying the love of his life, Ofa (Tua'one), in Salt Lake City, UT on August 16,1996 And so began a life of adventure and growth that took them across the United States, to Tonga, Africa, India and back, over the next several years as they grew from a family of 3 to a family of 9.

Chris was a serial entrepreneur, launching businesses in fiberoptic communications, marketing, international mining operations, and most recently as an investment manager, where he particularly enjoyed doing onstage interviews with business elites across the globe. Besides his business ventures he enjoyed spending much of his free time teaching classes of faith and hope in Christ. His enthusiasm for life, learning, and the gospel of Jesus Christ were consistent patterns throughout his life that deepened as he matured.

His battle with cancer was notably his last, and he underwent several painful procedures to extend his life with his devoted wife Ofa at his side every step of the way. During this time, he was able to see each of his daughters gain loving partners for life as well as the birth of his first grandchild. He was a devoted father who nurtured deep relationships with each of his children, and they in turn served and cared for him in his final days with patience and tenderness.

The Chandler family would like to express their deepest gratitude to Shelby and Brittney from IHC Home Care for the compassionate care rendered to Chris during the final months of his life. And to KLAS Research who generously supported Chris during his illness. And to the many friends, family, neighbors, and angels who have sacrificed in countless ways.

Chris is preceded in death by his mother, Lynn; and is survived by his loving wife Ofa; their children, Liz (Spencer), Esther (Jonah), Nate (Jalyn), Kalei (Shania), Emily (Oscar), Hampton, Ben, and Gabe; as well as his grandson Malulani.

A celebration of his life will be held on Friday, March 24, 2023, with the viewing from 9:00-10:45 a.m. followed by the funeral service at 11:00 a.m. at Larkin Sunset Gardens (1950 East 10600 South, Sandy, UT 84092).