



Matthew David Merchant

December 28, 1992 - June 14, 2021

Matthew David Merchant, 28, passed away on June 14, 2021. He was the only child of David Harlon Merchant and Debra Colpack Merchant and was loved dearly. He was a graduate of Springville High School. He attended Mississippi State University for four years, his last two years serving as their mascot, Bully. After returning to Springville, he attended Jefferson State Community College and worked at Walmart in Springville. After working for Marathon Staffing, he began working for Sterilite Corporation, had recently been promoted to Floor Person and had been accepted to the Assistant Supervisor in Training program. He loved Mississippi State sports, video gaming, golfing, playing cards, and was a member of the pool club at Iron City Billiards. Matthew never met a stranger and had a love for all people. He was a steadfast confidante and captivated friends with his free-spirited sense of humor and his contagious belly laugh.

He is predeceased by his paternal grandparents, Harlon Howard Merchant and Sarah Leach Merchant, and his maternal grandparents, Andrew John Colpack, Sr. and Lynn Fritts Colpack, along with his first cousin, Adam Merchant.

He is survived by a host of aunts, uncles, and cousins, along with his first cousin, Haley Dakin, with whom he was very close. He leaves behind his loving girlfriend, Katie Witte, with whom he shared the last two years.

A memorial service will be held on Friday, June 25, 2021, at Deerfoot Memorial Funeral Home in Trussville, AL beginning with a short service at 2:00 PM, being followed by a Celebration of Life until 4:00 PM.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made through the Mississippi State University Foundation and designated for the Spirit Group Fund/Mascot Support (310907).

Commitments may be made online on www.msufoundation.com or checks payable to the MSU Foundation Inc. may be mailed to P.O. Box 6149, Mississippi State, MS 39762.

Previous Events

Gathering

JUN **25**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Deerfoot Memorial Funeral Home

5360 Deerfoot Parkway

Mailing Address PO Box 118

Trussville, AL 35173

(205) 655-3444

<https://www.deerfootmemorialfuneralhome.com/>

Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Matthew David Merchant.



June 24, 2021 at 10:54 PM

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“ *Uncle Johnny and aunt Tracy* purchased the *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* for the family of Matthew David Merchant.



Uncle Johnny and aunt Tracy - June 24, 2021 at 08:35 PM



“ 105 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Deerfoot Memorial Funeral Home - June 24, 2021 at 12:07 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams* was purchased for the family of Matthew David Merchant.



June 21, 2021 at 07:20 PM

“ Many many prayers for you all.

I know several rotate being Bully and not sure these photos are your sweet son. I could always tell different personalities, but there was always that ONE SPECIAL Bully that was drawn to my little girl. The special Bully always found my little her and made her feel so important.. something tells me he belong to you.

May God wrap his arms around you and hold you tight. May he give you strength to endure the darkest days.

Much love,

Ronnie, DeLane & Jesse Sloan Grogan

Madison MS



DeLane Grogan - June 21, 2021 at 12:21 PM