



## Kevin John Monaghan

May 20, 1993 - October 21, 2023

Kevin John Monaghan, a man known for having the kindest heart, died on Saturday, October 21, 2023, surrounded by his loving family. Kevin, 30, was born on May 20, 1993 in Lansing, Michigan, the son of Jason Monaghan and Amy (Emerson) Williams. He graduated from Charlotte High School in 2011. On June 27, 2021, Kevin married Briana Pendell. His greatest passion was his 2-year-old son Max. Kevin loved spending time with Max and taking him to the park, fishing, camping, and just spending every minute possible with him. In school he played hockey, golf, and baseball. Kevin had a strong passion for hockey, from an early age you could find him skating on the ice. In recent years you could find him in the stands supporting his siblings. Kevin loved cooking; he worked as the head chef at the Dimondale Nursing Care Center for several years. Most recently he was employed as a Line worker for the Shyft Group in Charlotte. Other hobbies that Kevin enjoyed were tent camping with his family, fishing, trips to the UP to visit cousins, playing video games, and anything sports rooting for Michigan State, Toronto Maple Leafs, and Blue Jays. Kevin would do anything for those in need from family members, strangers, to animals he was always there to lend a hand in need.

Kevin is survived by his wife, Briana; son, Maximus; parents, Jason (Heather) Monaghan, and Amy Williams; siblings, Jack Monaghan, Brett Monaghan, Blake Smith, Taylor Williams, and Abigail Williams; grandparents, Barry Monaghan, Spencer (Sally) Emerson, and Susan Graham; aunt, Lisa (Zac)

Powell; uncles, Allen (Heidi) Emerson, and Charles (Courtney) Emerson; father and mother-in-law, Russell Gleason Jr., and Michelle Pendell; grandparents-in-law, Keith (Sue) Pendell, Dayle and Russell Gleason Sr. He was predeceased by grandparents, Jean Monaghan, and Darian Graham.

Friends are encouraged to support Kevin's family by attending services or sharing memories on his Tribute Page at [www.prayfuneral.com](http://www.prayfuneral.com). A Memorial Service will be held on Wednesday, November 1, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Eaton Rapids with Pastor Melany Chalker officiating. A visitation will be held for two hours prior to the service from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. The family has requested memorial contributions for the benefit of Max Monaghan (payable to Jason Monaghan, or Venmo @Monj55) would be appreciated. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 1. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

First United Methodist Church Eaton Rapids  
600 S. Main St.  
Eaton Rapids, MI 48827

## Memorial

NOV 1. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Kevin John Monaghan



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Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - October 31, 2023 at 02:42 PM



“ 50 files added to the album Life Tributes



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Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - October 31, 2023 at 02:32 PM



“ Mark P. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kevin John Monaghan.

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Mark P. - October 31, 2023 at 09:13 AM



“ *Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kevin John Monaghan.*



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October 31, 2023 at 08:32 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Kevin John Monaghan.

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October 31, 2023 at 08:32 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Kevin John Monaghan.*



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October 30, 2023 at 09:40 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Kevin John Monaghan.

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October 30, 2023 at 09:40 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Kevin John Monaghan.*



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October 29, 2023 at 06:13 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Kevin John Monaghan.*



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October 28, 2023 at 10:42 AM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kevin John Monaghan.*



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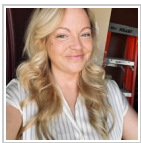
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“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Kevin John Monaghan.*

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“ *I honestly feel numb even typing this. I've watched him grow from a little guy to a grown man that has his own child. He's always been such a kind spirit with a fantastic welcoming smile. I remember him riding his bikes with friends while I hung out with his mom, and frankly he'll always be about 12 in my eyes. I'm so proud of the person Kevin was, and he's leaving an empty place in so many hearts. My thoughts, prayers and a piece of my heart goes out to his family and friends.*

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**Jennifer Pitchford Wendorf** - October 24, 2023 at 07:55 PM

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“ I have so many memories that choosing one is hard. We played catch in the yard when he was just a young lad. I was honored to have taken him to the UP with me to visit his cousins. I loved getting the chance to see him play hockey, get married, and tell us about the birth of his son Max. There are so many more, but every single memory I have always includes Kev's kindest heart. I love him with all my heart, I will miss him dearly, and I will cherish each memory and hold them in my heart forever. Rest easy, Kev. I love you. ❤️

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**Cheryl Ruohonen** - October 24, 2023 at 07:13 PM