



Danielle Heiner Madsen

November 21, 1977 - September 13, 2018

On the evening of Thursday, September 13, 2018, Danielle Heiner Madsen passed away surrounded by loved ones in her home in Lehi, UT, after a 16-month battle with brain cancer. Her passing was painless and peaceful. Danielle was 40 years-old.

Danielle was born on November 21, 1977 in Wichita, KS to David and Christine (Sevy) Heiner. She was raised in Price, UT, alongside her 5 siblings and heroes, Brittney Smith, Cody Heiner, Kelsey Jorgensen, McKenzie Long, and Blake Heiner. Danielle was nurtured in a loving home, where she developed a focus on serving others, and bringing a smile to the face of anyone she met. Danielle mastered these qualities.

Danielle graduated from Carbon High School with honors, in the Class of 1996. She then attended Utah State University, where she earned a Bachelor's Degree in Interior Design in 2003, graduating at the top of her class. She met her husband, Christian Peter Madsen, while attending Utah State. They were both smitten with each other at first site and were sealed for time and eternity in the Logan, UT Temple.

Danielle and Christian have three beautiful children, Isaac Christian (20), Lucas Kent (14), and Noelle Christine (11), and are excited to welcome another daughter, Peyton Munson (19), as she is sealed to Isaac and their

family in the coming days. Danielle's solution to all of life's obstacles was family. Her greatest cause for celebration was family. Her biggest motivation to do more in life was family. She included everyone in her family.

Danielle gained her devotion to her family through following the examples and teachings of Jesus Christ. She followed Him daily and trusted the paths He led her down. Undeterred, she accepted her diagnosis of terminal cancer as an opportunity to provide hope in the miracle of Christ's resurrection and atonement. The difficult circumstances of life were not enough to dim Danielle's faith in Christ. She remained true and constant in her commitments to her Father in Heaven.

Danielle had exceptional talents in designing homes, home improvements, landscape design, woodworking, organizing, drawing, painting, cheering at her children's games and dance performances, embracing her family's love of sports, and loving her 14 nieces, 15 nephews, 7 brother's in-law, 5 sister's in-law, and her second set of parents, Howard Kent and Gail Madsen.

The following gatherings will be held in Danielle's honor at:

Lehi Thanksgiving Point Chapel

3155 N. Garden Drive

Lehi, UT 84043

Wednesday, September 19, 7:00 – 9:00 PM

In remembrance of Danielle – visit with family and friends

Thursday, September 20, 9:30 – 10:45 AM

Pay respects to the Madsen family

Thursday, September 20, 11:00 AM

Funeral services

The Madsen and Heiner families express their gratitude to the incredible doctors and nurses of the Huntsman Cancer Center, Intermountain Medical Center Cancer Care, and the wonderfully compassionate nurses of Hearts for Hospice and Home Health.

Previous Events

Gathering

SEP **19.** 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (MT)

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Visitation

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Funeral Service

SEP **20.** 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (MT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Danielle Heiner Madsen*

October 05, 2023 at 07:49 PM



“ *Danielle was such a kind, loving and compassionate woman! I had the pleasure of spending many long hours & late nights complete with blurry vision, loud voiced sing and delirious humor with Danielle and our fellow classmates in the Interior Design Studio at Utah State. Dani was incredibly talented and had a smile that lit up the studio on the longest deadlines!! I will never forget her genuine desire to help others and her contagious laugh! We love you Dani! RIP!*

Emily Robinson - January 03, 2019 at 08:53 PM



“ *Dave and Chris,
Sending countless hugs and prayers for you. Dani was one that Andy talked of often. So thankful for eternal families!
Nancy Davis*

Nancy Davis - September 21, 2018 at 10:39 AM

RP

“ *Dave and Chris,
I was deeply saddened when Michelle told me of Danielle’s passing. I remember fondly her infectious smile as she line up with her gymnastics buddies. She was always so encouraging of others. She was a great joy to have in our home and an honor to know her and you. I will always be grateful for knowing her. My love to you and all of your loving family*



Robin Potochnick - September 20, 2018 at 06:33 AM

LC

“ *Dear Dave & Chris,
I had the opportunity to meet Danielle after you moved in next door. What a beautiful smile greeted me as I met her for the first time. I could tell she was super happy, beyond thrilled to have her mom and dad so close.....finally. Once you left on your mission, it was her gray van that pulled into your driveway to check on things, your home, landscaping project, mow the lawn, paint the shed....& repaint the shed. It had to be perfect for her mom and dad. She missed you.....I gave her mom hugs. She was strong and courageous. She shared her love of her family with me. What a blessing she is in all of our lives!!*

*We love you!!!!
Lisa and Kim Clark*

Lisa Clark - September 19, 2018 at 11:35 AM

JC

“ *Such a bright, beautiful light for the world, gone too soon. RIP,
Danielle.
- J. Cha*

Joe F Cha - September 18, 2018 at 11:04 PM

“Danielle was my best friend since Kindergarten. I think a lot of people consider her their best friend. She had a way of making everyone she met feel like they were the most important and loved person. She really felt that way too. She was one of the most Christlike people I’ve ever known.

We grew up together in Price, Utah until my family moved away when we were 15. We kept in touch with letters in the mail, recordings on cassette tapes, and phone calls. She came to visit me in New Hampshire and we went to EFY together in Pennsylvania. It was always a good time when Dani was around.

Dani was so beautiful inside and out, and the boys always had crushes on her. I was kind of goofy and she helped me look “cool”. I often made a fool of myself socially and we would laugh so hard about it. When I moved away I would tell her all of the embarrassing things I’d done and we laughed so hard! She would say “Why didn’t you call me?! I could’ve saved you from so much embarrassment!”. We had a list of “embarrassing things Emmie has done” that we added to regularly. So funny.

We spent time at USU together and had so much fun. Over the past several years we would meet for lunch at Cheesecake Factory every couple of months. We would catch up and talk about things we were struggling with, or happy things we wanted to share with each other. One time shortly after she was diagnosed we spent our whole lunch sobbing with each other. The waitress kept bringing us tissues. She had so much faith and was so at peace with her diagnosis. We just knew we’d miss each other.

A few months ago while visiting her at her home she said, “When I go home (to heaven) I’ll work on that side and you work on this side to make the second coming get here faster, and then we can be together again sooner”. I’ll keep my end of the bargain for sure.

Danielle was the epitome of grace, love, faith, and goodness.

Everyone who knew her is better for it. I feel so blessed to have had her in my life. I will miss her like crazy, but I know I'll see her again and we'll catch up with each other and laugh together, just like old times. I'll love you forever best friend!



Emmie Staheli Bowen - September 18, 2018 at 01:14 PM

KH

Emmie I agree with you. Special sweet friend to all!!

Kara Heugly - September 18, 2018 at 07:59 PM

AL

Dani was a great friend to you and you were a great blessing to her as well. Love you.

allison - September 19, 2018 at 01:01 AM

Tani Mackey

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Tani Mackey - September 18, 2018 at 12:49 PM

Tani Mackey

Danielle and sister Kelsey with Kelsey's baby girl.

Tani Mackey - September 18, 2018 at 01:50 PM



“ *Dani is the sweetest, kindest, happiest person I have ever been with. Her beautiful smile! She smiled with her eyes. Our hearts are broken by this loss. Our angel Dani. She will be forever loved and missed. Our prayers have been continual for her this last year and and they will continue on for you, her family. She is being loved by her grandparents and aunt and others who have gone on with their journey. I know in my heart that she will be near you, her beloved family here on earth, watching and guiding you all the way until you come home to be with her.*

~Tani Mackey

Tani Mackey - September 18, 2018 at 12:08 PM



“ *So sorry to hear about Danielle! It's not right to lose someone at this stage in their life... I'm so sorry for the heartache the Heiners have to go through right now, but thankful for the hope that in the end it will all be ok.*

One memory I wanted to share about Danielle... I was close friends with her little sister Kelsey and one year when I was 15 and Danielle was 17, after having spent a fun week at EFY in Provo, she drove us back home to Price on the notorious Highway 6. I remember dozing off in the back seat of their iconic red Toyota (Land Cruiser, right?) and waking up to us flying all over the car... she had veered off the road, overcorrected, and we had crossed several lanes of highway before coming to an abrupt stop. Luckily, no one was hurt, only shaken. She got out of the car and squatted down on the side of the road, bawling, saying, "I must have been saved for some important reason! Heavenly Father needs me on this earth... maybe I'm going to be the first female prophet!" That scary yet humorous moment will always stay with me. Obviously, she did have a lot to accomplish in this life and although tragically cut short, we can certainly celebrate her purposeful, abundant life.

Marinda Shaha - September 18, 2018 at 07:45 AM

EB

“ *Emmie Bowen lit a candle in memory of
Danielle Heiner Madsen*



Emmie Bowen - September 17, 2018 at 08:51 PM