



# Christopher Jon Speer

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**H**e was born May 13th, 1984 to Thomas Edward and Susan Kay Elsha Speer. Christopher passed unexpectedly on January 6th, 2020.

Christopher is survived by his beloved twin children Ellie Susan and Graham Thomas Speer, his grandmothers Margaret Holland and JoAnn Speer, his brothers Jaden Stefan and Adam Christian, and his much loved sister Sharon Esther Speer.

A visitation service will be held at 11:00 am on Thursday, January 23, 2020 at the LDS Church, 850 North Compton Road, Farmington with a graveside service to follow at the Farmington Cemetery, 500 South 200 East Farmington, Utah.

Chris loved learning.

Chris's favorite teacher in his early years was Wynlee Sue Call of Farmington, Utah. This wonderful teacher gave him a great sense of self-worth and made him aware of his potential.

Christopher earned his Eagle Scout and Order of the Arrow awards in scouting.

Chris just loved snow.

Chris was a decorated free style skier having won the Beaver Mountain Big Air skiing competition.

Graduated with High Honors from Davis High School in 2002.

Before beginning his education and career in business, Chris was a professional freestyle skier and coach at the Utah Olympic Park.

Christopher loved his seminary class with President and Sister Farnes in Farmington. Christopher always carried fond memories of his time spent learning from them both.



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Chris served an honorable full-time mission to Kingston, Jamaica.

He enjoyed working with his dear friend and mentor Burgess Cline at Hubcap Heaven and Wheels, where he gained early business experience.

Chris was an extremely driven and accomplished business leader with deep expertise in strategic due diligence, business transformation, change management, financial analysis and planning, customer journey optimization, advanced analytics and digital strategies.

Chris is a Principal in the Salt Lake City office of Cicero and a leader in the firm's Strategic Due Diligence and Strategy & Transformation practice areas. He had over 14 years of experience across roles in finance and investment banking, private equity investments and operations, and management consulting.

Prior to joining Cicero, Chris co-led a boutique Denver-based consulting firm focusing on strategic due diligence, post-merger integration, and organizational transformation. He began his career in management consulting at McKinsey & Company. Previously, Chris was an analyst for Goldman Sachs and an operator for a private equity portfolio company.

Christopher had expertise in: Strategic due diligence, strategy, finance, and transformation.

Trent Kaufman, CEO of Cicero Group was a great comrade and mentor to Chris, selecting him as a Principal at Cicero.

Chris also enjoyed a wonderful association with Douglas Hervey, a fellow principal at Cicero Group.

Chris was a certified personal trainer with ACSM and a member of the Professional Ski Instructors of America Organization teaching in Park City and at Snow Basin Ski Resorts in Utah.

Chris felt great joy as a father to his twin children Ellie Susan and Graham Thomas. He loved and appreciated each and every minute that he spent with them. Christopher's caring manner and tender style with his precious children was a joy to behold. Way to go Daddy!



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Principal, OGx Consulting  
Associate Engagement Manager, McKinsey  
Analyst, Goldman Sachs  
Chicago Booth, MBA  
University of Utah, BS Finance

Chris held a Bachelor of Science in Finance with High Honors from the University of Utah David Eccles School of Business and an MBA from the University of Chicago Booth School of Business.

Christopher's sense of humor was greatly appreciated, particularly in the workplace.

Chris had a very compassionate heart. He would often be seen talking with people from all walks of life as he traveled the world on business assignments uplifting his fellow beings through his cheerful nature and service. Chris was also very generous.

Oh! How we will miss Christopher's smiling face and his tender heart. We look forward to our future reunion. In the meantime, we know his skills are being put to good use, dealing with weightier matters for His Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Love to you Chris from your family and friends. You will always be in our hearts.

God be with you until we meet again.



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**Dustin Hays** posted:

I met Chris while working at OGx. Chris was my boss on several projects we worked together on. However, rather than act as a boss he was my mentor and made me feel confident and smart as I was just learning consulting. Learning Strategic Due Diligence practices helped me and invigorated my learning. More than being a boss or a mentor, most importantly, he was my friend. That was Chris, always a fun and caring person. Following his move to Utah, we kept in contact and chatted weekly. Whenever we would encounter a Seinfeld clip or pic, we always sent it to one another. I will miss these interactions and chats with Chris about life and getting together for a good hangout sometime. That hangout will have to wait and I can't wait to see you again my friend. I hope you're at peace and watching out over all of us. I love you my friend.

February 5 at 5:37 PM



**Brock** posted:

I worked with Chris while he was in Colorado and I was always impressed by how incredibly polished and knowledgeable he was. His love for his children was profound and it was clear there was nothing he looked forward to more than spending time with them. We shared a lot of laughs and late night discussions over his tenure there and I couldn't be more proud to call him a colleague and friend.

February 3 at 5:30 AM



**Roger Mulholland** posted:

Chris and I were best friends growing up in Farmington. I remember getting all my homework done at school so that I could go play with Chris after school. We had countless sleepovers, campouts, and other adventures. We'd play catch, go swimming, watch movies, and go hiking. We did scouts and Young Men together. I remember one time in particular, Chris came home from school upset about something, so Sterling Fenwick and I decided to do a spontaneous backpacking trip directly up the mountain. This helped us all relax and take a step back from the situation. Chris was and always will be an excellent friend. I send my condolences and best wishes to the Speer family. I'm so sorry for your loss. Roger Mulholland

January 22 at 12:51 PM



**Premier Funeral Services** shared 15 photos to the **Memories Album** album.



January 18 at 5:17 PM



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**Sterling Fenwick** posted:

Chris was one of my best friends growing up. We had a lot of fun together. I remember playing video games with him and his dad for hours. He will be missed. My heart and prayers go out to you all.

January 18 at 5:17 PM



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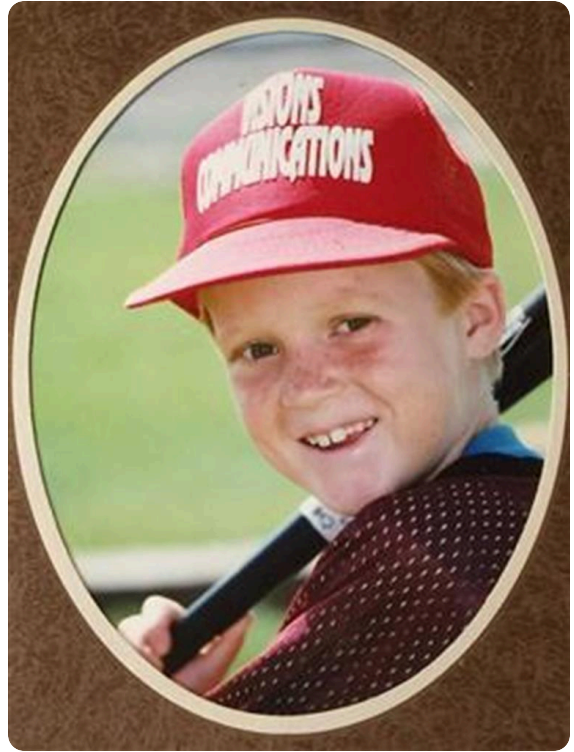




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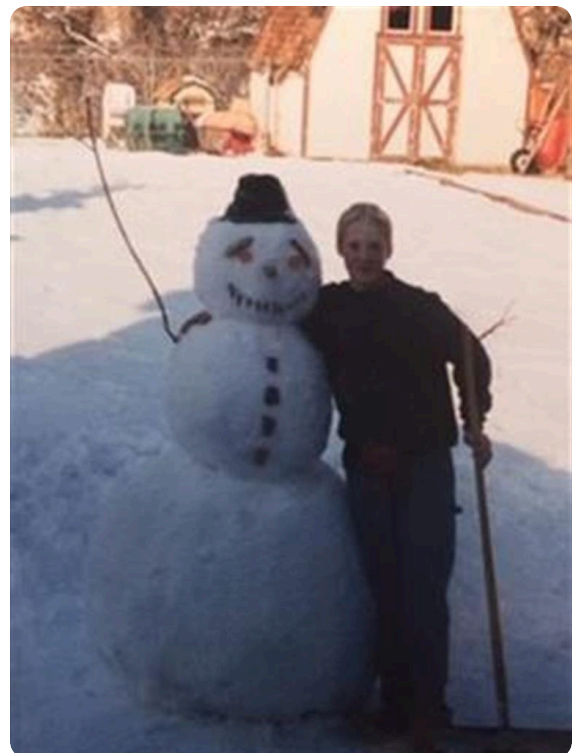




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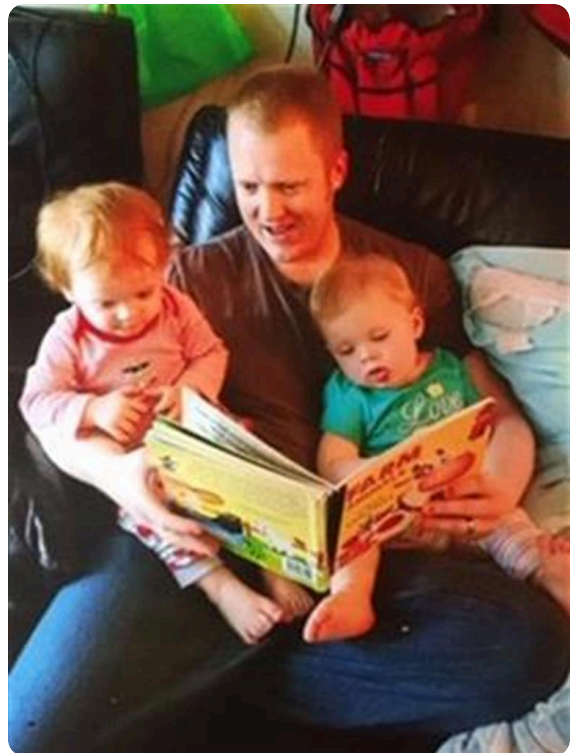
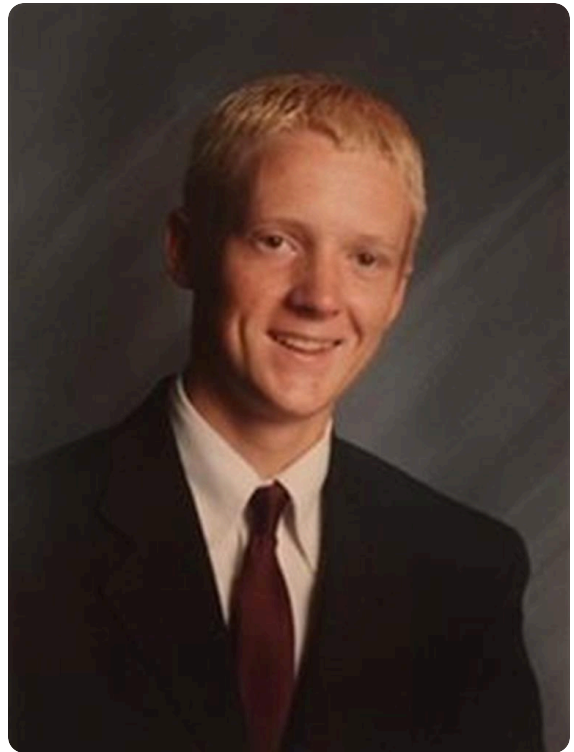




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