



## Daniel John Libhart

January 2, 1972 - December 7, 2019

Daniel John Libhart was born on January 2, 1972 in Mesa, Arizona to William and Caryl Libhart. He passed away on December 7, 2019. Dan attended Mesa schools, graduating from Westwood High School in 1990. He was part of the Warrior football team, winning the State Championship his junior year. The following year, he was selected as an All-State player to compete in the Down Under Bowl in Christchurch, New Zealand. Dan attended Arizona State University where he received a Bachelor of Science, Marketing degree in 1994. He was an avid Sun Devil fan. Dan then married his high school sweetheart, Melissa Rusher, and they moved to Chandler, AZ where they raised two beautiful daughters.

After college, Dan went to work for Anheuser-Busch for several years. He then tried his hand at entrepreneurship and opened a retail store called Dos Amigos Mexican Imports. When his first daughter, Madelyn, was born he sold his stake in the partnership and became a stay home Dad. Some of his favorite years were coaching girls' softball, watching Madelyn excel as a pitcher, and Emma compete in gymnastics.

Dan loved to hike and was into fitness, always pushing the limits and himself harder. He enjoyed spending time at his beach house in Puerto Peñasco, Mexico and found even more joy in bringing friends that have never been and showing them the wonder of the surf, sand, and amazing sunsets. He had such a giving heart and was generous with helping others no matter what the circumstance.

Dan was preceded in death by his father, Bill Libhart. He is survived by his wife of 25 years, Melissa, daughters Madelyn (17) and Emma (13), mother Caryl, brothers David (Andrea) and Michael; sister Christy Close (Dale); nephew Hunter Chapman, nieces Peyton and Parker Libhart and Aunt Rosewita Martin.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, December 21, 2019 at 9:00 A.M. at First United Methodist Church, 15 E. 1st Ave, Mesa, AZ.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations be made to the Pat Tillman Foundation,

<https://pattillmanfoundation.org/>.

# Events

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**DEC**   **Celebration of Life**   09:00AM  
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First United Methodist Church  
15 East 1st Avenue, Mesa, AZ, US, 85210

# Comments

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