

Christopher Ray Grooms was born on July 3rd, 1983, to Marian “Skins” Antelope and Davis Grooms Jr. in Chamberlin, South Dakota. Chris spent his early childhood years in Ft. Yates, ND. At the age of four, he returned to Lower Brule, SD where he attended school until the age of eighteen.

While growing up in Lower Brule, he loved to fish and hunt, and do anything that was outdoors with his father and special uncle’s Truman Grooms and Jay Blount. When he returned to Ft. Yates later, he continued to hunt and fish. In 2001 he met Amanda Fool Bear. Together they had four children, Adriana, Christopher Jr., Aden and Carissa.

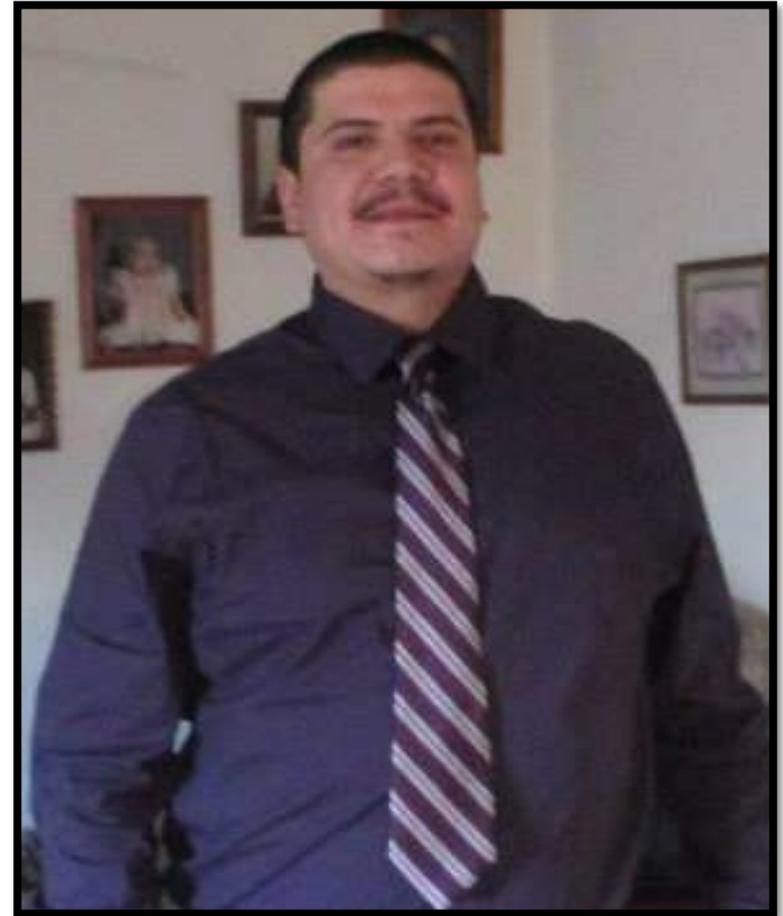
Later in life he met the love of his life Caressa Weeks Grooms. The couple were married on February 21, 2014. Together in this union, three children were born, Carmy, Connor and Christian.

During their years together, Christopher worked in the oil fields as well as in the construction field. The family moved to Billings, MT in 2019. Chris loved taxidermy and was very proud of his accomplishments. He loved cooking for his family and spending time with the people he loved. Chris was always laughing and joking with everyone he loved and making them smile. He also had a nick name for everyone. Chris will be missed dearly by all of us who loved him. It will never be good bye, it’s see you later. Forever in our hearts. I Love You!

Chris is survived by his wife Caressa, his children, Adrianna, Christopher Jr., Aden, Carissa, Camry, Connor, Christian, father, Davis Grooms, mother, Marian Antelope, Brothers, Daniel (Mary Allen), Levi Graham, sisters, Charmayne, Paige (Lance), special aunts, Karen and Valerie Antelope, special uncle Truman Grooms, special cousins Cherral Wilson and Kennedy Condon and numerous nieces and nephews.



In Loving Memory Of:



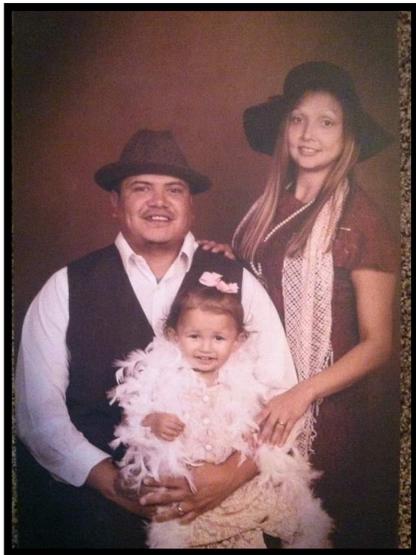
Christopher Ray Grooms
July 3, 1983 ~ June 29, 2021

Husband and Father

*A million times we thought of you,
A million times we cried,
If love alone could have saved you,
You never would have died.*

*In life we loved you dearly, In death we love you still.
In our hearts you hold a place no one could ever fill.*

*It broke our hearts to lose you.
But you didn't go alone.
For part of us went with you the day
God took you home.*



IN LOVING MEMORY OF: Christopher Ray Grooms

37 Years ~ 11 Months ~ 26 Days

BORN:
July 3, 1983
Chamberlin, South Dakota

PASSED AWAY:
June 29, 2021
Bismarck, North Dakota

FUNERAL SERVICES:

*11:00 AM Wednesday, July 7, 2021
St. Peter's Catholic Church
Ft. Yates, North Dakota*

CLERGY: *Brother George Maufort*

CASKETBEARERS:

*Daniel Ziegler, Truman Grooms, Jay Blount
Scott Noisy Hawk, Joe Antelope, Ethan Agard
Austin Agard, John Agard, Jade Agard*

HONORARY CASKETBEARERS:

*Phil Battese Jr., Sonny Giroux
Brian See Walker, Cortney Loon, Andrew Good Iron*

INTERMENT:

*St. Peter's Catholic Cemetery
Ft. Yates, ND*

God Saw You Getting Tired

*God saw you getting tired,
When a cure was not to be.
So He wrapped his arms around you,
and whispered, "Come to me."
You didn't deserve what you went through,
So He gave you rest.
God's garden must be beautiful,
He only takes the best
And when I saw you sleeping,
So peaceful and free from pain
I could not wish you back
To suffer that again.*