



Chad Broderick Hanna

December 20, 1957 - July 8, 2025

Chad Broderick Hanna was born on December 20th, 1957 in Chicago, Illinois, with his parents moving to St. Louis when he was young. Chad was the first-born of five children from the marriage of Marshall and Christine Hanna, both of whom preceded him in death.

Chad graduated from Southwest High School where he was a standout on the football field, earning a full-ride football scholarship to Jackson State University. He eventually transferred after career ending injuries, and completed his Bachelor's Degree at Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville (SIUE). From there, he began a career in the broadcast field working for Charter, KPLR, KSDK, and eventually breaking into midwest sports. In 1993, Chad joined ESPN's College GameDay Crew as an EVS technician, cueing up replays, collaborating on important stories, and creating spectacular highlight packages. His work as an EVS technician would turn out to be his crowning jewel, working for 31 seasons on ESPN's College GameDay: Football. He was, and is, the longest-running crew member on the production side, and the second-longest running crew member overall, only eclipsed by Lee Corso himself. Chad earned 12 Emmy's for his work and contributions to ESPN and College GameDay: Football. His career also saw other highlights such as College GameDay: Basketball, The Masters, The PGA Tour, College Football National Championships, The Rose Bowl, The Sugar Bowl, The Fiesta Bowl, The Orange Bowl, The Pro Bowl, U.S Open (Golf & Tennis), The

(British) Open, Wimbledon, The Olympics, NFL Draft, NBA Draft, Final Four and much, much more. In short, his professional career was rich, and only shadowed by his personal connection, care, and love.

Pop, as his 'grand buddies' referred to him, loved his family and friends. This was marked not only by his desire to connect with others, but also his God-given ability to connect so well. Pop was a friend to all, as noted by the various co-workers who named him as their "favorite person" or 'close-friend'. Many went so far as to call him a mentor, 'big brother', and even 'father-figure', certainly due to his powerful and welcoming presence and care. Pop was proud of so much, but namely, and firstly, of his 35+ year marriage to Stacia; many times he would talk about their love as a 'Hallmark story'. They could be found consistently referring to one another as 'my forever love'. This love was evident and shown as they traveled together throughout the years, and built a beautiful family, having first their son, Colin (Alexa), and then their daughter, Kristen (Rodney). This strong, loving, and steadfast family of four, grew to fill the room with six 'grand buddies'. Colin "Broderick" Hanna II and James "Jay" Chad Hanna were born to Colin & Alexa; Aniya Rose Freeman, Rodney Curtis Freeman III "Free", Kyrie Alex Freeman, and Amelia Vale Freeman were born to Rodney & Kristen.

Pop was a wonderful Patriarch for the Hanna Family Tree. He was a strong, kind, and wise mentor, blessing his friends and family with his love. He leaves other family members to cherish his memories: sisters Waltrin Richards (Mike Richards) and Patryce Myers (Eric Myers), brother Jayson Hanna, and his close cousin Jacqueline Hanna Martin. He also leaves behind a host of nieces, nephews, and great-nieces and great-nephews, in-laws and close friends who love him dearly. He was preceded in death by his beloved brother Alex Hanna, and his lifelong best friend Wayne Gooch.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you would consider donating to the

Glioblastoma Foundation.

Previous Events

Life Celebration Service

JUL 19. 12:00 PM (CT)

Waypoint Church
4075 Old Hwy 94 S
St. Charles, MO 63304

> 12pm: Gathering -A time of community gathering, and conversation > 1pm: Remembering -A service to rest, reflect, and remember Business casual + Golf attire

Tribute Wall

TJ

“ *Tbone Jones lit a candle in memory of Chad Broderick Hanna*



Tbone Jones - August 30, 2025 at 09:54 AM

JM

“ *This is seemingly overdue but I need to share that I am Chad's first cousin, Jackie I met him for the first time when he was a toddler '& I was a tweener. I watched him grow up & develop into the man he became. From humble beginnings, he left his mark on this world. It wasn't in all his accolades or career achievements, which there were many. It was in the human being he was when you sat down & talked to him in person . Humble, caring, witty, down to earth . And what love! If you ever witnessed him with the youngest of his "grandbuddies" there was a sweetness & patience he had with them that could bring you to tears. Running to see the trains when they heard them nearby or reading to them a book. Pure love! He made everyone he came in contact with feel "heard" & valued. He was a very special man, that I had the privilege to call part of MY family. The love for him will go on. Forever!!*

Jacqueline Hanna Martin - July 30, 2025 at 09:53 AM



“ Life distanced us, however the memories were never far from the surface. Two of the top: 1) Helping me skate, probably knowing that my body will not operate like that and DEFINITELY knowing I would not sit out quietly. 2) His part in embarrassing me under the guise of a 21st birthday dinner.



K - July 26, 2025 at 12:22 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Chad Broderick Hanna.

July 20, 2025 at 08:51 PM



“ Sandy, Lauren, & Kayla purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Chad Broderick Hanna.



Sandy, Lauren, & Kayla - July 18, 2025 at 11:19 PM



“ BJ & Eileen Corley purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Chad Broderick Hanna.



BJ & Eileen Corley - July 18, 2025 at 03:11 PM

RB

“ Robert B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Chad Broderick Hanna.

Robert B. - July 18, 2025 at 01:22 PM

RB

“ Deepest condolences to the Hanna family, and to everyone that has encountered and been a friend of Chad , We all must continue to tell our wonderful stories about about him and keep his memories fresh for everyone so no one can forget! My deepest regrets to everyone for not being able to share my love stories and celebrate his life with you all on Saturday!

Bob Borts

robert Borts - July 18, 2025 at 01:19 PM

MC

“ My sincerest condolences to your family. Chad and your family made quite the impression on me and I've been praying for you all. -Monica Ciolino



Monica Ciolino - July 18, 2025 at 11:28 AM

KW

“ Ken Wagner purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Chad Broderick Hanna.



Ken Wagner - July 18, 2025 at 07:47 AM

CB

“ Coach Hahn and Pattonville Basketball purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Chad Broderick Hanna.



Coach Hahn and Pattonville Basketball - July 17, 2025 at 09:24 PM

TT

“ Tim T. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Chad Broderick Hanna.

Tim T. - July 17, 2025 at 07:38 PM

MD

“ I had the privilege of working with Chad on numerous Baseball Tonight road shows, and he was truly the kindest, most gentle giant you could ever meet. We often talked about our kids and our shared love of baseball. Those conversations meant a lot. I recently got to catch up with Chad when Gameday came to Knoxville. In true Chad Hanna fashion, he warmly invited me and my friend Rhonda to join the crew meal. That's just who he was thoughtful, welcoming, and genuine. He was a special man, and I will always be grateful to have known him. He will be deeply missed. Saying a prayer for the family during this difficult time.



Mark Deaver - July 17, 2025 at 08:54 AM

CH

Mark, thank you for this note. It mean so much to my family. We appreciate you remembering Chad alongside of us and mourning with us. God bless you!

Colin

Colin Hanna - July 18, 2025 at 12:33 AM

MM

“ Michael Madio purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Chad Broderick Hanna.



Michael Madio - July 17, 2025 at 08:38 AM

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GT

“ *Filming around heavy is a beautiful thing*

Gearld Thomas - July 17, 2025 at 01:49 AM

KS

“ *Ken McGhee & The Archway Staff lit a candle in memory of Chad Broderick Hanna*



Ken McGhee & the Archway staff - July 15, 2025 at 02:06 PM