

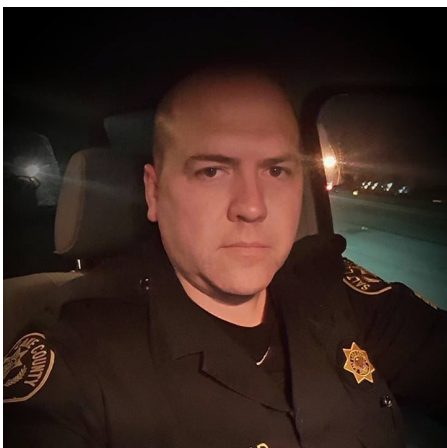
Sadly, history repeats itself when a Conrad is killed by his nephew ... *Daily Herald* March 27, 2017



Officers exit their vehicle as the Utah County Sheriff's Office investigates the scene of two fatalities Friday, March 24, 2017 at a home at the end of S. 1800 W. in Benjamin. ISAAC HALE, Daily Herald
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The death of Sgt. Chad Conrad has left a hole in the hearts of all at the Salt Lake County Sheriff's Office. Conrad, 42, was reportedly shot and killed Friday at his home and Benjamin, near Spanish Fork. His nephew, Damon Bushman, 23, was found dead in the driveway with an apparent self-inflicted gunshot wound, leading police to believe the situation was a murder-suicide. The two lived at the home together.

Sgt. Spencer Cannon with the Utah County Sheriff's Office said Monday there are no new updates on the motive behind the shootings. Friends of Conrad knew him to be outgoing and cheerful, always finding the silver lining. "He was always so outgoing and positive," said Justin Ballinger, a lifelong friend of Conrad's. "He's definitely somebody to look up to."



Conrad, or Connie to his friends, was an avid motorcyclist and passionate about classic cars. He even had a replica of the General Lee from the "Dukes of Hazzard" and of KITT from "Knight Rider."

"He's like the star child," Ballinger said. "He's the one everyone would love to have as a brother or friend." Ballinger felt Conrad's appreciation for motorcycles was an appropriate way to honor his memory. Ballinger and another friend of Conrad's are organizing a memorial ride starting at 8 a.m. Saturday at Legends Vintage Motorcycles in Springville. There will be a \$10 fee to ride.

Proceeds from the ride and a raffle will go directly to Conrad's five children. Those who cannot participate in the ride can still donate to his children, four of which are minors, at America First Credit Union. "Losing Sgt. Conrad is a huge loss. Our corrections staff is deeply impacted by his loss," said Lt. Brian Lohrke of the Unified Police Department. "He's been a part of our family for years. He's leaving a tremendous hole."

(Chad – Carl – Don Elwood – Charles Elwood – Charles Shadrach – Charles & Mary E. Holdaway Conrad)