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Steve passed away in his sleep during the early morning hours of November 9, 2016. He is survived by his loving wife: Odalis Berntsen, children: Ruby Berntsen, Steven Berntsen, and siblings: Eddie Berntsen, Michael Parkin, Jenny Parkin, Deanna Parkin, and multiple nieces and nephews.

He was born in Long Beach California, but raised in Las Vegas Nevada. He served his mission in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. While there he met the love of his life Odalis. After his mission, he quickly returned and married her.

Steve had a deep love of music. He played in his high school jazz band, and several other bands during his adult years. He played many instruments including bass, guitar, piano and drums. He also composed, mixed and recorded his music.

He was a loving father, brother, son, uncle, and friend. He was unbelievably funny, highly intelligent, and incredibly sensitive.

He will be sorely missed by every life he touched.

Viewing will be held at Poplar Grove Ward chapel, 1401 w. 700 s.

November 17, 2016 from 9--10:30 am.

Funeral service will follow shortly after 11am--12pm.

His body will be interred at Crescent Cemetery

11105 s. State St. Sandy Utah.

Cemetery Details

Crescent Cemetery

11170 S State St.
Sandy, UT

Previous Events

Viewing

NOV 17. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (MT)

Poplar Grove Ward
1401 W 700 S
SLC, UT

Funeral Service

NOV 17. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (MT)

Poplar Grove Ward
1401 W 700 S
SLC, UT

Tribute Wall



“ *Steven Douglas Berntsen*

October 05, 2023 at 07:49 PM



“ *Steve was one of my two best friends. We weren't really the kind of friends who talk all the time but we could call each other at anytime and start up a conversation as if the last one had just ended. He was very intelligent and a very deep thinker. He loved his kids and family dearly. I didn't know he passed. I couldn't get in touch with him and stumbled onto the obituary. In the process I found that his mom was gone as well. I'm incredibly saddened for the entire family with their loss. Steve was like a brother to me and I really can't put into words how terrible this news is. The world is a much darker place without both of these people. If I can do anything for any of you or you just want to talk, please do not hesitate to contact me. With love to you all. James (Maurice) Freeman. 7022850927*

James freeman - January 02, 2017 at 09:41 PM



Maurice, it was very thoughtful of you to post. We tried desperately to contact you when Steve passed. We knew how close you two were. Thank you also for your condolences for mom. It means so much to our family.

Eddie Berntsen

Eddie Berntsen - January 07, 2017 at 06:45 AM

JF

Thanks Ed,

You know how he was. He never remembered my number as it was. I feel awful about it. You know what I mean. He was always saying he was going to die. I guess I stopped taking most of that stuff seriously. But at the same time whenever I couldn't get him on the phone I'd check the obituaries out of guilt. I saw it , and wanted to call your mom and tell her how sorry I was and her obituary was on the search results as well. I feel so bad for you all. I hope all is well with everyone. I still can't believe this man, I just always figured somewhere in the future we'd still be hanging out. We even discussed that the last time we talked. We'd always end up talking about that movie "life". The one with Eddie Murphy and Martin Lawrence. One minute Steve says he's dying , another minute he's talking about the movie saying that's gonna be us. I wish I could have done something different. Feel free to call me anytime Ed. Again I can't tell you in words how sorry I am. 7922850927 I still work for Cashman as well.

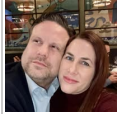
james freeman - January 07, 2017 at 07:16 PM

KB

I knew Steve for a few short years from 1994-1997. I started working at a mouse pad factory and was beset with the presence of Steve whom at the time was pretty outrageous. Jovial, fun, introspective, and kind, all wrapped in wild long hair and silly music quotes. We played music together as I learned the drums with him playing bass at a much higher level. His love of music was pervasive and drove him to chase this passion endlessly. Steve spoke often of his wife whom he met in the Dominican Republic and how he couldn't wait to see her again. There were moments in my life where I wondered where he went or what ventures he brought forth and in these moments I find I reflect upon the good people I met during the course of my own life. Steve was a real good guy. My condolences to his wife and children.

Kevin Ballerstein

Kevin Ballerstein - June 16, 2018 at 02:59 PM



We are honoring Steve at the Bunkhouse Saloon this Saturday, July 7th in Las Vegas.

<https://lasvegasweekly.com/ae/music/2018/jul/05/michael-valentine-and-friends-return-to-the-stage/>

I played music with Steve in my first band (Chapter 11) back in high school. He taught me so much.

Rod Pardey - July 05, 2018 at 12:11 PM

JF

Thanks to you as well Kevin. I used to pick Steve up from work on occasion from that mouse pad place. That guy who ran the place was an ass. We probably met at one time or another. I'm glad you guys found this page . Steve was far to good of a guy to only have the one comment on his page. Feel free to contact me if you ever want to talk about our friend. He really was one of the best.

james freeman - October 24, 2018 at 07:31 PM

JF

Thanks for doing that Rod. Steve mentioned you and the band (chapter 11) often when we'd talk. I didn't realize you had stayed involved in music. Steve mostly talked about the old days. I was there when you guys played his brothers wedding. I wish I'd seen this sooner, I would have made the time to see it. I miss him a lot. He was one of a kind. It would have been cool to swap stories with you. I wish you and the rest of the group all the best. My contact info is above. It's 7022850927. Looks like I typed it wrong last time. James Freeman

james freeman - October 24, 2018 at 08:24 PM