



Curtis D. Knowles

August 10, 1969 - June 25, 2018

Our beloved Curtis Deal Knowles, born August 10, 1969, died suddenly on June 25, 2018 in Lahaina, West Maui, Hawaii. Born in Pusan, Korea, to George and Barbara Knowles, while his dad was serving in the US Army, Curt embraced life's opportunities and challenges with humor, wit, and tenacity. The first of eight siblings, he was kind, protective, charismatic, compassionate, bright, fun, funny and forgiving. He knew more random facts than we can count. He was exceedingly generous, always willing to help someone in need. Loyal to the end, he was our very own Peter Pan.

Curt grew up in the Lake Stevens, Washington area and resided there until moving to Maui eight years ago. He was a proud graduate of The Overlake School in Redmond, Washington and Pacific Lutheran University in Tacoma, Washington. A great storyteller of his adventures as a Bering Sea crab fisherman in Alaska, he excelled at sales and loved serving others, most recently as manager of Boss Frogs Kahana.

Curt leaves behind his greatest legacy in his twin sons Ethan Curtis Knowles and Gavin Deal Knowles. His heart was bursting with pride at the wise strong men they have grown to be. He also leaves behind his parents George and Barbara, seven siblings, twelve nieces and nephews and a wide diverse circle of numerous loving friends and family.

When you remember Curt, Practice Aloha; Be Present; Love Unconditionally; Live in Gratitude and Do an act of kindness for someone less fortunate. Curt will be smiling.

To honor Curt's love of music and Hawaii, donations in his memory may be made to Maui Music Mission, 1401 Kenai Place, Lahaina, HI 96793; via email: Mauimusicmission@gmail.com, or via Ronda Pali 808-298-6951.

Events

JUL **Celebration of Life** 05:00PM - 07:00PM

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Baby Beach, Lahaina, Maui

HI, US

Comments



“ Oh my goodness. I'm only just seeing this as Curt came to my mind and had not seen him on FB. My wife and I visited Maui in August 2017 and spent a brief time with Curtis and his wife. I'm so deeply sorry Curt, I pray you Rest In Peace. I drove him to the airport when he left for Hawaii around 2010. Curtis had many struggles, but was someone I admired for having such a great sense of humor and classic coolness that so many of us hope for. May God be with you my friend.

Kevin Dolan - November 19, 2018 at 01:06 AM



“ I met Curtis when both of us were in treatment. It was about 10 years ago in Pasadena. Somehow we were able to get around the whole no fraternizing with the opposite sex. I gave him the number to the Payphone and him and I got to know each other through our quick 15-minute phone calls. I was in treatment for about 6 months so I had to make myself at home. Needless to say he entertain me with his many stories and his wide array of a sense of humor. Both of us kind of weird off track went down the road we probably shouldn't have but it landed him in Hawaii where I believe he truly became happy for a Time. Well up until he got his heart broken by somebody who didn't deserve his heart in first place. I was supposed to go with him to Hawaii but instead I stayed in California to face my legal issues . fast forword 9 or 10 years Curtis and I reconnected and it was like No Time had passed we were still as close as we were that day we said until we meet again. And we did. He always told me that would buy me a ticket to come to Hawaii and he did. I have to say that I am so blessed to have gotten a good full 2 wks hanging out w him, catching up, sharing stories. He also bought me my favorite and biggest tattoo- the portrait of Bettie Page on my back...i will never forget the friendship we shared and come to think about it he actually saved my life once I might not be here if it weren't for him you brought me back to life I wish I could do the same for him

Hannah Martin - September 07, 2018 at 10:05 PM



“ I met Curtis January 1, 2014. My best friend Sara Knowles had told me all about this amazing guy she fell in love with on Maui. I was living in Kentucky at the time and facing some demons of my own. Curtis (not knowing me at all) and Sara invited me to come rent the second bedroom of their cottage in Lahaina to stay with them for awhile, find some peace, and maybe find myself in the process. Well, long story short, Curtis made me feel so comfortable the second I stepped out of the airport. Instead of going straight home to unpack he and Sara took me straight to the beach and she snapped mine and Curtis's first picture together. The first thing I noticed about him was how much of an old soul he was. He had so many cool stories of his adventures and always explained them in a way that made me feel like I was there myself. Curtis was also very compassionate, fair and open minded. I had never met a

straight guy, back in 2014, who could at first glance, watch an episode of Rupauls Drag Race without spewing a homophobic joke, instead he asked a few questions about it and than completely got it. This is just an example of how amazing and intelligent he was. He was always respectful to every human, animal and plant he came across. He always made sure his friends and family around him were comfortable and having a good time. Him and Sara took me on so many adventures with just water and his guitar I'll never forget. Curtis seemed to know the answers to almost everything and his knowledge was boundless. I've honestly never met another man so amazing in so many incredible ways. He honestly helped me find myself that year and I'll always have a part of him with me.



Patrick Christopher - July 11, 2018 at 03:36 PM



“ Curtis- thank you for Ethan & Gavin- the two best gifts in my life. This is my very favorite picture of us.



Laura - July 10, 2018 at 11:28 PM



“ Nadine Asbury lit a candle in memory of Curtis D. Knowles



Nadine Asbury - July 09, 2018 at 03:06 PM



“ Lawrence & Joyce lit a candle in memory of Curtis D. Knowles



Lawrence & Joyce - July 09, 2018 at 03:01 PM



“ Kathy & Bob VanBenschoten lit a candle in memory of Curtis D. Knowles



Kathy & Bob VanBenschoten - July 05, 2018 at 02:31 PM



“ Diane Fritts lit a candle in memory of Curtis D. Knowles



Diane Fritts - July 04, 2018 at 10:00 PM



“ Dear Barbara and George
Our deepest condolences for your loss. We pray that God gives you peace and solace at this time
Sandhya, Mohit, Devyani



sandhya mclaren - July 04, 2018 at 03:22 PM



“ Jerry Ross lit a candle in memory of Curtis D. Knowles



jerry ross - July 04, 2018 at 08:38 AM



“ Teresa Simpson lit a candle in memory of Curtis D. Knowles



Teresa Simpson - July 03, 2018 at 04:11 PM