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Beloved son of Gerald D. (deceased) and Janet E. Allison entered into rest, Monday evening, July 9, 2018, after a long battle with cancer.

David was born in Ann Arbor, Michigan in 1952. He grew up in the rural farming community of Milan, Michigan, and later moved with his family to Saline, Michigan in 1964. After graduating from High School David went on to Michigan Tech where he studied mechanical engineering. David later moved to California where he worked as an audio engineer at Faith Broadcasting Network, at Faith Center in Glendale. He retired in 1991. David was an accomplished drummer and guitarist, and played with various bands throughout his life in Michigan and California. When he returned to Michigan, he worked at Fred's Restaurant in Roscommon, and later the Timbers at Higgins Lake, while continuing to write and produce music. David was also a skilled carpenter, avid baseball fan, and occasionally played league baseball. He had a terrific knuckleball! He also loved biking around Higgins Lake.

David is survived by his, loving mother, Janet E. Allison, sister, Rebecca (nee Allison) and brother-in-law Richard Gagnon of Traverse City, Michigan; sister and brother-in-law, Janet Marie Allison (Victor Jurkowski), Mount Pleasant, Michigan; brother and sister-in-law, Daniel C. Allison (Bonnie Anderson) of Mill Valley, California. Nieces and nephews; David Gagnon (Beth Christensen) of Ann Arbor, Grace Jurkowski, Jacob Jurkowski of Mount Pleasant, and great nephew, Graham G. Gagnon of Ann Arbor; many cousins, and aunts and uncles.

A memorial service for family and close friends will be held at a later time. Charitable contributions can be made to the American Cancer Society or Munson Hospice House of Traverse City, Michigan.

Please feel free to share your thoughts and memories with David's family at his tribute page at www.reynolds-jonkhoff.com.

The family is being cared for by the Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home and Cremation Services.

Comments



“ I knew Dave since I met him at Saline schools in '64 or '65. We were both in the School bands together. In 1975 my friend Larry Largin (also deceased and Saline grad) told me that a band named Eclipse needed a bass player and Dave was the drummer. I joined the band and we had a great time playing music with Neal Wilson on keyboards (also a Saline grad and deceased) and Bill Aydellote on guitar. 1975-76 was a bad time for bands as the Disco craze took over many of the venues in Wash Co. I left the band in early 1976 as I was back at UofM to get my B.S. degree and there were few gigs and I had to sell my equipment to pay for my education. I sold Dave my 1962 Dodge Swift step van which I believe he crashed on the M-52 bridge over I-94. I remember Dave coming to the house we rented on Pleasant Lake Rd and he wanted to ride the 1971 Husquvarna 360cc dirt bike in the yard. When he took off the bike did a huge wheel stand and spit Dave off the back! We both laughed our asses off and decided that Dave was not ready for a Motorcycle with that much power. He was a great guy and a good friend in the day. We drifted apart and I didn't know what happened to him. God speed old friend- I miss you too. Michael Burke
Saline HS grad 1969

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