



Eric J. Suttman

May 15, 1959 - April 24, 2014

Eric J. (Ric) Suttman, May 15, 1959 - April 24, 2014, dedicated and loving father of his two cherished children Eliot (Ellie) & Declan, after a prolonged illness. Eric was a talented, lifelong musician and respected recording specialist; winner of multiple local Emmy Awards for music and production. He attended St. Albert the Great School, and was a graduate of Alter H. S. and the University of Dayton. Eric recently retired from UD after a 33-year multifaceted and award winning career at the University. A beloved father, brother, son, uncle, friend, mentor and political activist, he was also on the Board at the House of the People, and a recipient of the Dayton Peace Award. Eric founded and hosted the popular local music event known affectionately as "BarnJam". Eric was preceded in death by his father, Louis L. (Frosty) Suttman, and brother Martin Suttman. In addition to his two children, Eric is survived by his mother, Terese Laughrey; sister, Maureen; brothers, Joe and Tom; nieces, Erika Crossley (Steven) and Dakota Suttman; nephews, Louis W. Suttman and Ben Suttman; grand nieces Alena Crossley and Lucy Suttman-White; many aunts, uncles and cousins; a multitude of loving friends; and Megan Carroll Suttman, the mother of Eliot and Declan. Visitations at Reis Legacy Center Meyer-Boehmer Chapel, 6661 Clyo Rd., Centerville, on Sunday, April 27th from 1:00-5:00 p.m. and on Monday, April 28th from 6:00-8:00 p.m.. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at Holy Angels Catholic Church on Tuesday, April 29th at 11:00 a.m. with burial afterward at Calvary Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, monetary donations in Eric's name to The House

of the People or the Dakota Street Center are suggested.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

1625 Calvary Drive
Dayton, OH 45409

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 27. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

The Final Legacy Life Celebrations
155 South Main Street
Centerville , OH 45458
(937) 291-3911
reisfh@att.net

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APR 28. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Mass of Christian Burial

APR **29**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Church of the Holy Angels
1322 Brown Street
Dayton, OH 45409

Tribute Wall



“ *Eric recorded many cd's for various projects I participated in. What a tremendous person! My heart broke upon learning of his passing. Much love to his family! Rest in peace my dear friend!* 🎵❤️🎵

Sharon Adams - July 25, 2016 at 10:37 AM



“ *Meg,
I am so sorry for you and your family's loss. I live down the road from you and Eric, and although me and him only talked a few times, I always looked forward to Barnjam. Most of us in the neighborhood are a little older, and Barnjam is more of a younger crowd, but little did Eric know, for two weekends a year, he brought our little neighborhood together. Most of the neighborhood would sit together, cook out and listen to some of the music. Thank you for being a part of our neighborhood; Eric will be miss.*

Logan Caine - September 25, 2014 at 07:31 AM

BN

“ *Dear Terese, Joe, Maureen and Tom;
I am so very sorry to hear of Eric's passing.
A great musician, a kind, gentle - man; a generous friend ..to a fault.
His sense of humor was the best.
Hanging around Eric made you a better person in a thousand different ways;
... some of which you don't realize until many years later -then you know just how special he was.
Have any of us met a better man? I have not.
No wonder the Angels called him so early.*

Brian Newbury, Los Angeles, CA

Brian Newbury - April 28, 2014 at 10:52 PM

GB

“ Grove City High School Band purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Eric J. Suttman.



Grove City High School Band - April 28, 2014 at 01:28 PM

JH

“ The Grove City Band would like to offer our condolences and give our thanks to Mr. Eric Suttman. Eric has meant and done so much for our band. For twenty-seven years he has recorded our marching, concert and jazz bands. Eric was willing to help us no matter his condition and his sacrifice will linger in our hearts every time we listen to his fine recordings!. He will be greatly missed and kept close to our hearts.

With much love,

Grove City Band

Jeremiah Haines - April 28, 2014 at 01:19 PM

TW

“ Dear Terese, Maureen, Tom and Joe-My thoughts and prayers are with you all. I remember all the good times on Aerial Avenue. Terri Woodbury (Striebel)

Terri Woodbury - April 28, 2014 at 12:41 PM

TR

“ Aunt Terese, Joe, Tom and Maureen~ we wish we could be there to give you big hugs and to celebrate Eric's life. We love you so much and are holding you closely in our prayers and in our hearts. Barry and Tori (Taylor) Root

Tori Root - April 28, 2014 at 11:50 AM

MS

“ Terese, Joe, Maureen and Tom,
We're sorry for the loss of such an inspiring young man. I think deep down everyone wishes they could be a little more like Eric. Stay proud of his legacy and keep his memory alive.
Judy and Mike Scholle

Mike Scholle - April 28, 2014 at 07:18 AM

RB

“ Dear Terese, I am so sorry to hear about Eric's passing. so sorry he had to suffer with cancer. He is in a better place up in heaven. You and your family are in my prayers. You have surely had your share of trials in life. Remember the wonderful memories that you as a family have shared and know through his music he has touched many life's. Hugs Rose Mary Barhorst St. Petersburg. Fl.

Rose Mary Barhorst - April 27, 2014 at 09:16 PM

TN

“ So sorry to hear of Eric's passing. Our prayers and thoughts are with the family.

-Tim and Lisa Nauman
Cleveland, OH

Tim Nauman - April 27, 2014 at 06:55 PM

KP

“ Over the many years that I lead the guitar group at St. Agnes Church, on any given Sunday, Eric would show up to add his guitar skills to the group. Always welcome, but never a regular, it was always good to have Eric there. I don't remember the exact date, or even the year, but the first time Eric showed up, I was a bit confused as to what was going on, but was quickly impressed with his versatility to jump into the group and enhance our experience.

Ken Pavy

Ken Pavy - April 27, 2014 at 10:04 AM

MK

“ I am very saddened to hear of the loss of our college friend and musician! He was taken too soon. The world has lost a gem, but heaven has one more talented angel in the band!! Eric -Thank you for the kindness that you showed me in college and beyond. I don't think you knew how much I admired you. You will be missed!! Mary Ada

Mary Ada Kidd - April 26, 2014 at 11:03 PM

JC

“ Eric and I were grade school classmates at St. Albert the Great, and band mates while at UD. When I think of Eric, I think of the 4th grader who could already play guitar well enough to be invited to play at masses, who was an altar boy, and who far too often beat me out for top marks on a test or assignment in class. I was impressed with his talent and intelligence when we were younger, but in middle age I think I was most impressed by his love for his two kids. It was easy to tell that they meant the world to him. Eric will most definitely be missed! My deepest sympathies to his family.

Jan Wenning Connair - April 26, 2014 at 02:45 PM



“ *Heavenly and Harmony was purchased for the family of Eric J. Suttman.*



April 26, 2014 at 02:35 PM



“ *Although I have only had the honor of crossing paths with Ric twice, both times were made memorable by his warm smile, glowing blue eyes and welcoming personality. I feel as though I have known him for years through the eyes of his loving family members, brother Joe, niece Erika, nephew Louis.*

Rest in peace Ric, free of pain and suffering. Your family will watch over your two children and share your legacy with them as they grow up.

Peace and prayers to the Suttman family and the many friends of Eric.

Karen and Mark Wilhelm

Karen - April 26, 2014 at 06:34 AM

MH

“ Eric ... such a fun loving and beautiful soul and down-right cute as a little kid with those big blue eyes. No more pain Eric, so kick back and have fun wherever you are and know you are dearly loved by all the lives you touched.

Love and hugs to Aunt Terese, Joe, Maureen and Tom and the rest of the Suttman family.

*Mary & Tom Hawkins
Troy, Ohio*

Mary & Tom Hawkins - April 25, 2014 at 07:57 PM

LS

God bless you, Eric , to a wonderful father and person. our love and friendship. laura van leeuwen snyder and kathy luebke chandler

Laura Snyder - April 27, 2014 at 10:22 AM