



Dallas Burton

November 15, 1947 - December 24, 2020

A visitation will be on Thursday, January 7, 2021 from 10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. with a memorial service immediately following at Memory Lane Funeral Home 6305 W. Lincoln Hwy Crown Point, Indiana 46307.

Cemetery Details

Memory Lane Memorial Park

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Previous Events

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Tribute Wall

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“ I met Dallas in 6th grade when my family moved to Hessville and I attended Caldwell Elementary. At the same time, my 2 sisters (Jackie and Janice) and myself began piano lessons with Dallas’ mom, Guilda. This began the bond that my family had with the Burtons. In junior high and part of high school Dallas and I were boyfriend/girlfriend with my accompanying him often to debate tournaments, one of his passions. We lost touch after high school.

It wasn’t until 2010 when we reconnected with Morton high school reunion. Since then we have kept in very close contact, even though I lived in East Lansing, Michigan. When not in town, we would have long weekly phone calls talking about knowledge, interesting facts, and, yes, debating once in a while. My sisters welcomed Dallas back into our lives and included him in any holidays, birthdays, events we had when I came to town. He even came with us to an Escape Room adventure for my 70th birthday celebration even though he was wheel-chair bound at the time. He was a totally welcome addition to our family gatherings. He also never forgot Valentine’s day, sending me chocolates the first few years then switching to expensive glass blown décor (like a butterfly and blooming irises). He also celebrated my daughter’s wedding and the birth of her child this past September. Every Christmas time when he would come to my sister’s to celebrate my birthday, he would bring the entire family gifts. He was very thoughtful and kind that way.

My sisters enjoyed reconnecting with Dallas after all those years. They found him to be very interesting and boundless in his knowledge. He clearly enjoyed starting to fix up his new home and had very elaborate plans for it. I was glad that he got to do the stenciling in the main living room that he had planned and researched for so many months. Given his forced seclusion due to poor health, my cat-loving family was pleased that he adopted a cat to keep him company along with the other cats he fed and kept warm in the winter.

When his eyesight deteriorated (later fixed through surgery), he would download old books about linguistics and spend hours trying to read just a few pages on his large screen monitor, even editing some books. He was so well-traveled and knowledgeable about the world that when I would mention a place I'd visited he would come up with facts that I didn't even know. In fact, the latest was when my sisters, daughter and I were to go on a Rhine river cruise last March. Even though he hadn't been to Europe in probably 30 years, he described in detail how we would get off the boat in Basel, Switzerland and walk to a museum he thought we'd like. I checked the map and he was 100% accurate. Over the last 10 years we spent time together, apart from my trips to Indiana. We went to Pennsylvania to visit a classmate and he visited me in Michigan at least twice. Each time he impressed my friends and family beyond words.

Dallas was generous, kind, extremely intelligent with a huge thirst for knowledge that he had until the end. I have never met an individual so knowledgeable about so much. He was truly interesting and I feel he had a great, interesting, and fulfilling life. He will be missed.

Linda Kohl

In remembrance of Dallas, my sisters, daughter and I have made a contribution to the American Diabetes Association in his name.

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