



Ed Biondi

May 16, 1958 - August 19, 2021

Edward Thomas Biondi, 63 died August 19, 2021. He was born in New York City son of the late Carol LaBrecque and Joseph Biondi. He was also predeceased by his siblings, William Biondi and Carol North. He is survived by his wife of 38 years, Sheila Greenstein, children Nora and Kyle Greenstein Biondi and Kyle's wife, Hannah Burkhauser, all of Austin, TX. He had lived in North Haven, CT for 28 years and planned to become a resident of Austin, TX and of Onset, MA. Ed loved music: listening, live shows and playing guitar. Family meant everything to him- his nuclear, extended, and the family of friends he created. Ed was employed by Nationwide Insurance for more than 30 years, most recently as Claims Quality Assurance Attorney.

In consideration of immunocompromised friends and family, attendance is open to those who are fully vaccinated and wear a mask.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Ed's name can be made to Congregation Beth Israel, Planned Parenthood, Casa Marianella, Health Alliance for Austin Musicians, The SAFE Alliance or a charity of your choice.

The service will be streamed live on Facebook by Austin Natural Funerals. A live stream of the service will appear on the Austin Natural Funerals Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/AustinNaturalFunerals>, at 2:30 pm on Sunday, December 12th. A Facebook account is not required in order to

watch. If a pop-up window appears asking you to log in click "not now" and the live stream will be available for you to watch. If the "not now" button does not appear, scroll down on the page and it will come up for you to select.

Cemetery Details

Oakwood Cemetery

1601 Navasota St.
Austin, TX 78702

Previous Events

Burial

DEC 12. 2:30 PM (CT)

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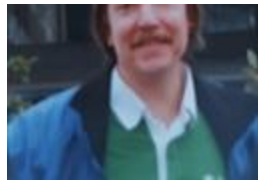


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October 14, 2022 at 12:02 PM



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Kevin H Kane - December 14, 2021 at 05:16 PM



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Kevin H Kane - December 13, 2021 at 07:48 PM

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“ Feeling deeply sad, and also grateful for the many years of friendship I got to have with Ed. I missed his first funeral here in CT, but I’m glad that I was able to watch the livestream of his graveside service in Austin. Ed was one of the most generous and loving people I have been blessed to know, and the world is definitely a better place because he was here, even for too short a time.

I met Ed back in the 1980s, when I was working as the coordinator of a sexual assault crisis center in Meriden, CT, and he was volunteering his time and knowledge to provide legal support for clients at a local domestic violence intervention program. That is just one example of how generous Ed was with his time and talents.

Among other things, Ed and I shared a love of a wide-range of music, and I think he is the only person I’ve known who had an even bigger collection of albums than I do.

I have many fond memories of spending holidays and other fun times with Ed, Sheila, Kyle, and Nora. And, I will always remember Ed as a kind soul who embodied love and was willing to go the extra mile to help out anyone in need.

Sage Freechild - December 12, 2021 at 07:12 PM

BR

“ Words cannot express my feelings about the loss of Ed. I had looked forward to having many more years to get to know him better. He brought joy with him. I feel grateful that I was able to know him as long as I did!

Barbara Roberts

barbara roberts - December 12, 2021 at 04:45 PM

“ Whenever I start talking or writing about Ed - I just start rambling. He was such a good person and such a good friend. I never know where to start!

Ed and I played music together for a lot of years. After playing some acoustic rock-and-roll, I somehow convinced Ed we should start a Celtic music band. He agreed, reluctantly, but I told him there is no greater feeling for an Irish person than playing Irish music around St. Patrick's Day. He said that was probably right, but reminded me he was not Irish. We both quickly agreed to overlook that minor detail. We formed a band called Irish Jones with Chris on mandolin, guitar and vocals; and Eileen, who has a voice like an angel and would regularly move people to tears with her versions of Danny Boy and Fields of Athenry. We played together for probably about 10 years or so. We had a lot of fun! From the first time playing together, we forever will now refer each other as "Jones."

Ed was the absolute best rhythm guitar player I ever played with. That was the general feeling from everyone that played with him. My brother Matt, a guitar player, who also played with us for years, used to say the same thing. Ed was a steady player. Always consistent. Always fun!

Most importantly, though, is Ed had the personality of someone you would want to be in a band with. Very even tempered. Great negotiating skills. Always fun to play with. He was also very giving. He knew when to take control of a song and when to back off so someone else can fly with it.

My brother Matt joined up with us when we played acoustic/electric as the Working Class Heroes. Matt and I get along well, but something about brothers playing together sometimes gets a little hairy. Never a problem, though, with Ed around. He sensed when we may be getting on each other's nerves, and he was always able to throw us a musical life raft. Along with great musical instincts, he knew when to use his musical superpowers to step between the disagreeing parties without us realizing that was what he was doing. Along with playing music, though, Ed and I stayed in regular contact. We went to concerts together and regularly texted or e-mailed each other with music clips, news clips or just to say hello

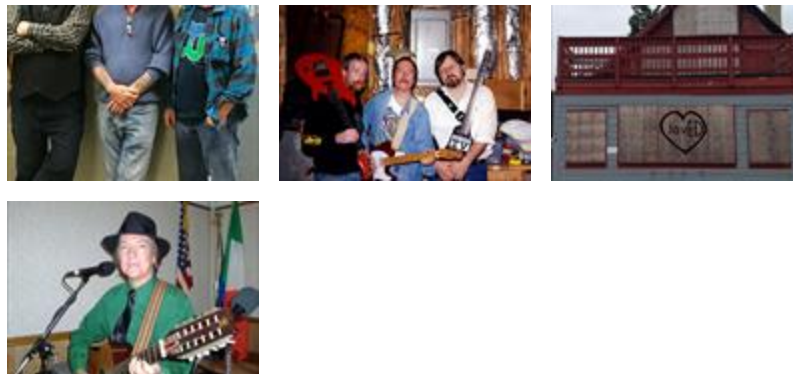
and see how the other one was doing. One example is we would text if someone in the music world passed away - especially if we saw that person play. This week when I saw that Mike Nesmith from the Monkey's died, my first instinct was to text Ed. He was such an easy person to talk to. So much fun to hang out with. I miss him. Every day. I love and miss Ed Jones!



Kevin H Kane - December 12, 2021 at 02:30 PM

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Kevin H Kane - December 09, 2021 at 07:18 AM

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Sheila Greenstein - November 23, 2021 at 04:37 PM

JE

I feel your pain. It's been 6 years the pain gets lighter but it never leaves your heart.

jeanne snediker ernst - November 23, 2021 at 07:46 PM