



## David Titus

April 15, 1955 - November 14, 2023

David (Dave) Titus, loving and beloved husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, and friend, passed away on Tuesday, November 14th from health complications.

Born on April 15, 1955, in Camden, NJ, he was the middle child of Francis and Louise Titus, and brother to 5 siblings. Life was not always easy, but he persevered through it all. Dave lost his father at the age of 13, and being the oldest son he assumed the role of father figure. While a teenager, he dropped out of high school to join the Army towards the tail end of the Vietnam War. More than anything, Dave loved his family and friends. A self-taught guitarist, most people knew him for his time with The Chatsworth Destroyers. From local bars to recording studios, New Years' Eve gigs at night to New Years' Day shows the next day, he loved having a guitar in his hand, a microphone in front of his face, and his best friend and bassist, Albie Day, by his side. Dave and Albie met as young men, and from that time until his last day, from the birth of their children to the heartbreaking passing of Albie's beloved Brenda, their brotherly love for each other was evident. They partied, performed, and supported each other for almost 50 years.

He loved the beach, always making the drive to the shore with his dog Jack to meet up with his wife and "tiny dancer" Kathy, whom he married in 2003.

Whether it was walks on the beach or dinner on the water, the memories they made together will last forever. There were also Mushinski family parties, where jokes and drinks would be shared in abundance.

Dave would always tell his children that the most important thing in life is to give your best effort, and good things would tend to follow. He would always be sure to say how proud he was when one of his children told him about an accomplishment of theirs, but nothing made him as proud as the birth of his first and only grandchild, Violet Rae, whom he loved to play music for and take naps with.

Dave is preceded in death by his father, Francis, his mother, Louise, his sister, Paula, his father-in-law, Victor, and brother-in-law, Peter. He is survived by so many - his wife, Kathleen (Kathy); his daughter Sophia (Esteban) and granddaughter, Violet, his son Dave, and their mother, Karen; his siblings Joanne Moses, Linda Titus, Richard Titus, and Michelle Titus; mother-in-law Margaret Mushinski and sisters- and brothers-in-law, Peggy (Lou), Susan (Malcom), Vicki (Nile), Michele, Andrea (Mike), Maureen (Damon), James (Trish), and Victor (Margie).

“Now I’ve heard there was a secret chord  
That David played and it pleased the Lord”

A Memorial Gathering will be held on Tuesday, November 28th from 6 pm - 8 pm at Perinchief Chapels, 438 High Street, Mount Holly, NJ 08060. In lieu of flowers, please donate to your chosen charity in Dave’s honor.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Gathering

NOV **28**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Perinchief Chapels

438 High St.

Mount Holly, NJ 08060

(609) 267-0399

# Tribute Wall

MW

“ I knew Dave way back in the early 1980s.. When He played in a band named "The Ice House Band" I believe it was on Thursday nights at a place called Horse Feathers. If I'm remembering clearly , He and Albie also played on either Tuesday or Wednesday nights, only without the rest of the band. Come to think of it, sometimes it was just Dave playing his guitar and singing solo. He would perform such emotionally charged songs, like WILLING & CARMELITA . I remember how he'd make us feel special , by asking if we had a certain song we wanted to hear. He even started singing the song "Ain't No Sunshine When She's Gone " If we were calling it a night and heading out of the door. Oh my, they were such awesome times .. holding memories of being young ,wild and free! Awe Dear Dave, I'm glad you had 20 years of marriage , children and a grandchild , God Bless All Of Your Family.

I married as well , I had 4 children and now have 8 grandchildren. I feel sad for your wife and all your other family members. I know it hurts , I lost my daughter Annie in 2008 and my husband in 2019 . He was in a band back in those days too. He quit once we had our son Paul Jr. Hey ,We'll All Be At The Stairway To Heaven At Some Point and Time.. And just as You'll be waiting there for your Kathy , I know my Paul will be waiting there for me ~Until Then~ Enjoy Singing With The Angels . Loving Light Surrounding You ~Eternally

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**Margaret A Coughlin, Wycoff** - March 25, 2025 at 02:47 PM

ME

“ Larry and I are so sorry we missed Dave's service. Last time we saw him was at Brenda's service. It's so sad to think that they're both gone. Love to you Kathy and your family.  
God bless David.

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**MaryBeth England** - January 18, 2024 at 05:39 PM

DM

“ Dori Metz planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David Titus.

Dori Metz - November 26, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of David Titus.



November 26, 2023 at 11:34 PM

FH

“ Forever in Our Hearts... planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David Titus.

Forever in Our Hearts... - November 26, 2023 at 06:34 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of David Titus.



November 26, 2023 at 06:34 PM

MC

“ Michele C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David Titus.

Michele C. - November 26, 2023 at 06:19 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of David Titus.*



November 26, 2023 at 06:19 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of David Titus.*



November 25, 2023 at 08:11 AM



“ *I'll remember the 3 years I had working with Dave at shoprite. He was a nice friend and coworker. You will be missed 🙏*

**Katie** - November 18, 2023 at 11:44 PM



*Rest In Eternal Peace!*

**Katie** - November 18, 2023 at 11:46 PM



“ *Dave...all your days will know be filled with beautiful melodies, rhythms of your favorite music, big fish, calm seas and laughter from loved ones. I will miss your passion for cooking, incredible dry sense of humor and most of all the big and small ways you showed your love to Kathy, family and friends. Rest in eternal peace!*

**Barbi Scalzi** - November 18, 2023 at 01:00 PM

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Chrissy Fest Cerce - November 17, 2023 at 06:17 PM

MW

*There They Are~  
Two Best Guitar Players and Male Vocalist ~Back In The Day!!*

Margaret A Coughlin, Wycoff - March 25, 2025 at 02:53 PM

CC

“ *My first and fondest memory of Dave was listening to him and Albie play on the 12 x 6 stage behind the bar at the Washington house in Mt. Holly.*

*Many of the Mushinski girls, my late sister Pam Fest, and I danced all night to their music. One of our favorite songs to dance and sing along to, was “Amie” by Pure Prairie League. We had so much fun and the memories of those days will live on the dance floor forever! When he married my dearest and forever friend Kathy, the music continued. We will miss you Dave and you will be remembered by many ladies as the cute guitar player playing next to the other cute guy Albie at the Washington House! Forever in my heart, Chrissy Fest Cerce*



Chrissy Fest Cerce - November 17, 2023 at 06:13 PM

SH

“ Dave...Hope You are up there Surf fishing with Pop, and Pete in Calm Waters...So, You don't have to be rescued by the Lifeguards again 😊...Love You! RIP 🙏❤❤

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**Shelly** - November 17, 2023 at 06:09 PM

JM

“ Dave called me one day and said Kathy came up with a new word for the NFL. It's called a Sackel. She asked me, he said, why when the running back is tackled in the backfield it's not a sack. We both pondered and laughed and discussed it often. Let's call John Madden we joked. I'm gonna miss u buddy. ❤

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**Jim Mushinski** - November 17, 2023 at 04:10 PM