



Eric Owen Nepp

October 5, 1959 - February 19, 2022

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Tribute Wall

KW

“ 3 months ago today you had a medical emergency....and you faught to stay alive for 2.5 months....I just want you to know Eric, that I miss you every single day....I love you my sweet angel 💜🌟💜



Kathryn White - March 13 at 11:24 PM

JB

“ Heaven must've needed something fixed. There was never a tech problem that Eric could not either fix or find a end around. He could do anything. He saved many a show. Of course his solutions were sometimes worse than the original problem but hey they worked and the show went on. And we had a fun time doing it all. Bless you my friend

John Bakken - March 06 at 06:59 PM

KW

Thank You sharing ...lol.....One of my favorite memories was working on a Vampire Maze really late at night, like at 1am and I literally just pointed a finger and said 'put a wall thereand there...put a tombstone here and there'....and he did it....no complaints....just working through the night....I am so grateful I got to experience that side of him that loved Knott's Berry Farm so much & Haunt....good times.....I am just so thankful for so many fun memories 💜

Kathryn White - March 07 at 01:57 AM

YO

“ I am so glad I got to know you. I first met you at Knott's, you were always easy to get along with funny joking, even a little good-natured teasing.

I felt there was nothing you couldn't fix. I would bring you broken staple guns & drills whenever you get a chance, I would tell you! I used to try & sneak past you to get saw blades drill bits... of course he always saw me...

Beard... the time Knott's dropped the requirement for shaving. Eric got to work immediately to grow a beard! Then, on his birthday, he took razors into the shop bathroom and shaved it all off! We were all surprised...but we really shouldn't have been.

Eric did love animals, in their condo Eric added a cat tunnel/ door to the garage. So their cat could use the litter box in the garage, I thought it was brilliant. It was near that beautiful mural Kathryn painted.

I am so happy you were able to spend your days together in the mountains.

There are so many beautiful trails to hike

Eric you will be missed by all who knew you, but especially by Kathryn, she was your wife, love & best advocate

Run free, Eric, I hope to meet you on the other side. Join your ancestors & friends



Yolanda - March 06 at 08:46 AM

KW

Thank You for writing....although Eric liked everyone... you & Sandy were truly special to him....He told me once he liked you because you were a 'Cat', a human Cat and he loved everything about Kitty Cats.....Thank You for being a true friend to him....Thank You for so many years of Kindness 🐾🐾🐾🐾💜

Kathryn White - March 07 at 02:02 AM

JR

“ I met Eric at Fullerton JC college, before working at Knott's . I was able to get to know him a bit by being on the same crew during several shows at the college theater. Although we never worked on the same crews at Knott's, (his skill level was way above mine. So talented,) it was nice to see a familiar face when I eventually did get to work as an entertainment tech. Someone who I knew in a totally new environment for me.

Judy Rowe - March 05 at 06:12 PM

KW

Thank You for sharing Judy....this means a lot to me....We really did all share such a connection....and when Eric died I just wanted to be surrounded by everyone we knew from Knott'sit really was the best part of his life.... thank you Judy 💜 my Judy-Judy

Kathryn White - March 05 at 06:36 PM

DH

“ Eric Owen Nepp - You were a man of many skills and talents. And more importantly, an excellent room mate. Everytime I see a Lego display or a model train, I will think of you. Best memory - our trip to the redwoods. How DID you make it through that tree? Rest in Peace, Eric Owen Nepp.

David Hansel - March 05 at 01:01 PM

KW

Thank You for sharing....that Redwood Trip was the best....that was before his Liver Transplant so that was like 17 or 18 years ago....that was a good trip 🍷🌍🍷

Kathryn White - March 05 at 05:34 PM

JW

“ Eric, I enjoyed working with you at Knott's. I still remember you and I building a stage extension at the stunt show stage. You had a funny sense of humor. I'm glad I got to see your big train set on the patio at the house with the upside down Christmas tree. I knew to get out of the way if you were driving the fork lift because you drove it like a race car. I'm glad your last few years were spent up in the Mountains I know how great it is up there, I've read your and Kat's challenges, ups/downs on Facebook and I'm glad you had her to take such great care of you. See you in the next life.

Jeff Wyatt - March 05 at 01:51 AM

KW

...I forget about the upside down tree....He loved driving that forklift 💜 thank you for the memories 💜

Kathryn White - March 05 at 02:07 AM

FF

“ Hey Eric. We mostly just bugged each other at work. We were filled with pranks and provocations. Through Kat I know a different side of you. I wish you happy travels in this next journey. ❤️

Fay Furness - March 05 at 12:56 AM

KW

...you guys are so awesome because I needed to remember the playful, fun, silly times.

Kathryn White - March 05 at 01:03 AM



“ I'll forever remember the laughs at work you gave us—a bit of levity always made the time fly. Rest well, my friend, and we'll see you in the next world.

Mark Mikawa - March 05 at 12:26 AM

KW

I forget that he was really funny and playful at work....I was so serious that I sometimes forget how much fun we all had ...especially on Haunt Nights...lots of fun nights 💜 🍁



Kathryn White - March 05 at 12:39 AM

“****May my beloved husband Eric rest in Peace...Eric passed away on February 19th at the age of 62 while fighting brain abscesses after a very long hospital stay...He left this Earth too young and my heart is broken and soul is aches from his departure...I absolutely loved my life with him and I just wanted more time....I was lucky that I had 16 wonderful years with him where I traveled by his side experiencing life ...I knew him over 30 years and I always prayed for 30 more. When we first met at work I was 28 and he was 30 but these years passed too quickly 💜 I am very grateful that we shared working on what he loved most which was Halloween Haunt at Knott's Berry Farm...He was a theater & show tech/carpenter and I was a painter...My favorite story is that he started Knott's in the Entertainment Dept As a Summer gig at the age of 19 and it ended up being the only job he ever had (besides working for his dad)...Imagine your favorite job, your only job became your career...I also loved hearing stories from his childhood where he traveled with his family. Eric loved his family more than anything else and there were so many incredible & beautiful adventures...So much music, food, laughter & fun...IT is important to note that Eric lived his life exactly how he wanted..He enjoyed collecting Legos...Trains...computer games and making things, repairing things...He loved home improvement projects....I am thankful that Eric & myself did some traveling before he had his Liver Transplant in 2006 which was the life changing event....Although the rest of his life he was disabled & chronically ill he never considered himself sick...He never complained about the pain in his body or the many medical treatments he endured from the Transplant's complications...After Eric's career at Knott's ended he stayed creative helping me make fun stuff for art shows, his woodworking and my paintings...Then after we got Zoey our Shiba Inu Life was just the best....Eric & myself experienced the world anew through this beautiful pup's eyes....the magic of dogs....Later we moved to Big Bear Lake to start our Golden Years and every day was so incredible....for a few years his health actually improved where he took long walks daily....Every day was a new place to explore....It was a great life. We loved life more than ever...The magic of this mountain community with tall pine trees..cool temperatures....wildlife and endless trails to walk and explore made life good...beautiful and simple...*

****I am just sooo very grateful for every moment we had together..there are no regrets...Eric and myself both loved the Seasons on this mountain, including the snow....We both loved this simple life...The greatest gift Eric gave me that I carry close to my heart was his unique perspective on how to live each day...Eric never dwelled on the past or worried about the future, he was completely and totally in the moment where everything is fine...This practice of Mindfulness came easily to him and this inspires me....And this comforts me to channel how he lived....I miss him every second of the day...and I still feel him near because he is forever in my heart.....*

****Eric mattered and made my life beautiful....He was funny. ..he was gentle...he had deep kindness....a truly beautiful soul and now he Flys with the Angels no longer in pain or in the limitations of a body....He is Free....Rest In Peace...Blessed Be....*





Kathryn Whie - March 04 at 11:50 PM

KW

....my heart is so heavy tonight...I miss you

Kathryn White - March 04 at 11:59 PM

LB

Fly free Eric. 💜

Lisa Babilonia - March 05 at 12:42 AM