

Donald Christopher Sanna

September 23, 1971 ~ May 27, 2021

Donald Christopher Sanna, 49, of Salt Lake City, Utah, passed away May 27, 2021.

Donald was born September 23, 1971, in Temple, Texas, where his father was stationed at Fort Hood. His dad was in the Army and they lived in Alaska, California, Washington and Oregon. Donald considered his ‘growing up’ to be in California. He often talked of visiting his grandparents in San Pedro and spending time in the Long Beach area. His high school days were in Barstow. Donald missed the sun when they moved to the Pacific Northwest. When he got his first car, he would often drive straight through to visit his ‘Grandmom.’

After moving to Oregon, Donald Married Colleen Hillsinger and Adam was born. They later divorced, but together they raised their son. Donald was so proud of his son. When you met Donald, you almost immediately knew of Adam.

Donald met Michael in 1997. Although not always together, they were never apart.

Donald always made friends wherever he lived and worked; his property management company in Portland, Meier and Frank, especially at Starbucks, the year he and Michael lived in Lincoln City, and then Papyrus in Salt Lake City. Donald was a true and loyal friend. He may not always be in contact but would reconnect in a minute. He loved his friends, his cats and ‘I Love Lucy.’

Donald is survived by his son Adam Christopher Sanna; sister Tammy Traeger (Mike); nephew Noah; nieces Mallory Wolf, Tiffany Sanders and Sara Traeger; his ‘second family’ – the Mendenhalls, his always and forever with all the 7’s, Michael Hilton Mendenhall, and the girls, Betty, Kathy and Ethel.

Donald was preceded in death by his much-loved parents Donald Sanna and Paulette Sue Long Sanna; his sister Tiffany; paternal grandparents Thomas Sanna and Teresa Marie Ricciardelli Sanna; maternal grandparents William Harold Long and Anita Orbe Long, along with much-loved Lucy and Sally.

Memorials and celebrations are planned for the future. Please send your contact information to hiltonmendenhall@yahoo.com.