

Nathaniel Thomas Lucas

June 21, 1981 ~ July 16, 2023

Nathaniel Thomas Lucas, 42, passed away Sunday July 16th in Salt Lake City, Utah. He was transferred by ambulance to LDS Hospital because he could not breathe. By the time they got to the hospital his situation had deteriorated. Shortly after his arrival he went into cardiac arrest. The medical team worked diligently to try and resuscitate him to no avail. The cause of death was Acute Lobal Pneumonia.

He was born June 21, 1981, to Daniel Thomas Lucas and Carolyn Stucki Lucas in Salt Lake City, Utah. He was the second son – just 15 months younger than his big brother. When Nathan was five, he got a younger brother through his mom's marriage to CT Thomas. Jeremy, Nathan, and Matthew became the three musketeers. Each being all boy with a love of family.

While his legal name is Nathaniel he was also known as Nathan, Nate, Nate Dogg, Nate the Skate, Hollywood, and Brother. To his mom he was always Nathan. Nathan lived life with passion. He was his own person living life on his terms. Nathan would write sayings in his notebook, on his artwork, longboard, backpack, etc. of how he approached life; "The only way to live is to be full of life and live it to its fullest", "Live Life", "Don't be a sheep", "Be authentically you". Nathan's robust personality, love of life and the fact that he was nonjudgmental naturally drew people to him. He was a leader at work and at play.

Following high school Nathan began what would be a career in concrete. His first job was working for Kenny Seng Construction where he learned the ins and outs of working concrete under CT Thomas. During his career he worked and led crews for several different construction companies. He mastered flat work, curb and gutter, curb wall, walls, tilt up buildings and parking structures. He was a hard worker and good finisher.

Nathan loved the outdoors and was at home in nature. He loved fishing, hiking, trail running, snowboarding, and more recently looking for interesting rocks. He was a talented photographer who was able to catch amazing shots of nature. In his photography he was particularly good at composition and utilizing light. His creativity extended to drawing and painting.

Nathan's ultimate passion was longboarding. He spent hours perfecting his craft and looking for opportunities to ride. He would ride down places like Capitol Hill, Guardsman Pass, South Mountain, and Wasatch Blvd. It has been said that he actually passed cars. Riding his longboard at such a high rate of speed required all his focus, which quieted his mind. He loved the freedom he felt while riding.

Above all Nathan loved spending time with his son Drevan. He was so proud of him! It did not really matter what they did as long as they were together. Nathan could be seen at Drevan's hockey games at ice level walking around the glass filming him. Nathan's cheering and encouragement could be heard above the entire crowd.

In his early twenties Nathan got a tattoo of a nautical star on the top of his back. Renderings of the nautical star are found in his multiple books of drawings, on his longboard, helmet, backpack, the bedroom mirror, or about anywhere. The nautical star symbolizes protection, guidance, and good luck, or metaphorically represents finding one’s way home. Nathan has gone home.

Nathan is survived by his mother Carolyn Stucki Thomas and stepfather CT Thomas of Draper, UT, father Daniel Lucas of Brandon, FL, brothers Jeremy Lucas (Jami) of Eagle Mountain, UT and Matthew Thomas of Draper, UT, sister Keli Lucas Battles (Will), of Byron, GA, son Drevan Lucas of Tooele, UT, 2 nieces, 4 nephews, several aunts, an uncle, and many cousins.

A viewing will be held on Saturday July 29, 2023, at Larkin Sunset Gardens, 1950 East Dimple Dell Road, Sandy, Utah from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. prior to the funeral service at 11:00 a.m. Burial will be in the Garden of Everlasting Life at the same location.

To view the services via Zoom please click "Watch Services" or follow the link: https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/eJc92I4t7db2vBIdSV5Q1GS77nETYU_0XjXpXmmpuV5mbIp7lpYNiajhCLAl-wvc.cn6U