



David Scott Short

November 5, 1956 - June 5, 2021

David Scott Short lived life on his own terms and lived very much on Island Time. He loved children, animals, his wife Michele, his parents, brothers and sisters, nephew and friends. He had a very close connection to his grandmother, Grace Shortt and visited her frequently when he worked at the old Mullins Theater. He believed that Todd Rundgren was the best musician and would gladly play songs for you for long periods of time. He wore loud Hawaiian shirts and had a cigarette, coca cola or coffee in his hands most of the time. He read everything: fiction, nonfiction, history, instruction manuals on electronics, medical periodicals, etc... If you were talking on the phone, you never knew what the topic would be or where it would lead. He was wonderful at explaining history: the Roman Empire, World Wars I and II, which group started it, which group was at fault, who profited, who lost and why it happened. He could and would explain why moonshine and marijuana were made illegal and how it benefited business and not the people. He wanted to get a steam powered boat and cruise the intercoastal waterway and wanted to tie helium balloons to a lawn chair and go airborne. He loved convertibles and at one time owned two Volkswagen Things. He boasted that he was the only man in Dickenson County with two things. He loved watching the Star Trek, Deep Space Nine, Star Gate and other space series. He did not suffer fools, thought all politicians were corrupt and did not like his teachers, but seemed to have profited from them. He would stop people in parking lots and start conversations about farming, construction, automobiles or anything they

desired to talk about. He had a great sense of humor and made Michele laugh daily. He enjoyed teasing his siblings. On more than one occasion, he got lost while traveling. He was never on time and always late. If he said he would leave at three, it would more likely be ten thirty, if not put off for a day or two. It was more important to discuss the position of the sun in the sky during the different seasons than be in a hurry to go anywhere. His life was full of misadventures: getting lost, missing the turn or finding a great thrift store or pawn shop to explore stereo equipment or musical instruments and staying for hours. His collection of musical old music catalogs, magazines and electronic catalogs was extensive. His inner child thrived.

He was the son of Nina Mullins Short and Cecil Carlos Short. He is survived by his wife, Michele Meischeid, sisters, Donna Leftwich and Susan Blansett, brothers, Joe Short and Kip Short, nephew, John Leftwich, niece, Megann Nouard, and great-nephew, Aiden Nouard, all of whom loved him and will miss him greatly.

The family will receive friends, Tuesday, June 15, 2021 at Mullins Funeral Home Chapel at 5:00 p.m. with a Celebration of Life service to follow at 6:00 p.m. COVID 19 guidelines will be followed.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to a food bank or animal shelter of your choice.

Mullins Funeral Home and staff are serving the Short family. Online condolences can be made at www.mullinsfuneralhome.net.

Previous Events

Family will receive friends

JUN **15**. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mullins Funeral Home and Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of David Scott Short*



Mullins Funeral Home and Crematory - June 14, 2021 at 06:28 PM

JG

“ I was very sorry to hear about Scotty’s passing. I grew up with Scotty and Joe and Donna to an extent. Scotty and Joe were both those little boys that went around sticking little girls pigtails in ink wells. You were in danger of some prank if they sat behind you on the school bus. My dad would look back at us kids and say now you kids settle down and he’d throw in Iron Butterfly and we’d cruise on up to school. I’ve had some interesting conversations in the last few days remembering Scotty. Everything from remember so- and so she was crazy over Scotty to this one and it is so Scotty. My friend Deb Milam worked for the telephone company. She’d rented a house near the store. Deb’s common practice was to pick up a six pack on her way home. One Time she stopped into the store and there was a barrel near the counter. She asked Scotty if it was a beer keg and he told her no. It’s Bull Seaman. Well Deb was floored and of course Scotty had a book on it and a long conversation ensued. Short’s Country Store was an icon to the ridge. They had everything. I can remember buying gas for 25 cents a gallon .. Imagine that. The last time I saw Scotty I had stopped at the store on my way home to grab a coke. We had a good conversation about music, ships and sealing wax and other fancy stuff. In reading the obituary it seems that Scotty remained sincere to himself. My sincere condolences to his wife Michelle, his siblings Susan, Donna, Joe and Kip. I know you’ll feel his loss to your core.

Jeanne (Moore) Good - June 14, 2021 at 06:34 PM



“ 46 files added to the album Life Tributes



Mullins Funeral Home and Crematory - June 14, 2021 at 05:51 PM



“ Patti Rosa purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of David Scott Short.



Patti Rosa - June 14, 2021 at 10:56 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of David Scott Short.



June 12, 2021 at 05:34 PM



“ We are so sorry for your loss, may our Lord comfort you in your time of need 🙏

Roma Mullins Blankenship - June 11, 2021 at 09:57 AM

HH

“ Scotty was a teddy bear of a man, and his bear hugs, his laugh and his music will be missed. He made you feel safe and welcome. Scotty has a special place in the hearts of all who knew him. May our hearts find peace.

Hope Hancock - June 11, 2021 at 08:52 AM

CK

“ Craig & Ella Killen purchased the Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses for the family of David Scott Short.



Craig & Ella Killen - June 10, 2021 at 07:25 PM

KM

“ Oh, I always loved this family so much! One of my fondest memories of Scotty is him and Joe putting me in the feed bin and sitting on the lid.

I'm so sorry Michelle, Joe and Kip. Much love and prayers from me and my brothers Rick and Glen (John)



Kathy Moore - June 10, 2021 at 06:54 PM

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We have so many memories of Scotty. He always made everyone he spoke with smile and laugh. He had such a wonderful and genuine heart. Our thoughts and prayers are with Michelle, Susie, Donna, Joe, Kip and John. God Bless you all.

Amy Mullins - June 10, 2021 at 07:26 PM

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Scotty fly free, as your spirit will forever be a sparkling beam left in the hearts you engaged. I am one of the fortunate people to have known you and shared the Short Clan circle of love & knowledge generated from that richly authentic country store.

Love, peace & understanding to all, Charles Lee

Charles Lee - August 05, 2021 at 05:59 AM