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Paul L. Kardos, 60, passed away peacefully with his wife at his side Monday June 25th 2007. Born in Miami Fl, Paul came to California in 1977. He was preceded in death by both parents and brother Zoltan Kara. Paul held a Bachelors Degree in Music and a Masters of Education, both from the University of Nevada at Reno. As Professor of Music and Director of Bands at San Bernardino Valley College for 26 years, he founded and directed the San Bernardino Community Concert Band, The All America Academic Dixie and Swing Band, The “Kicks” Jazz Ensemble, Saxophone Christmas and numerous small ensembles. As a professional saxophonist, Paul performed with the Palm Springs Symphony, The San Bernardino Civic Light Opera, the West End Opera Company and the Ted Herman Orchestra. His professional saxophone ensemble, The Dahlia Arts Sax Quartet, performed for many social, civic and private functions throughout the Inland Empire. Paul was a vocal champion of music education and believed in lifelong participation in the Arts. Following his retirement from SBVC Paul, along with his wife Lorraine founded the Main Street Community Band, which will continue on as his musical legacy in the Inland Valley area. Paul is survived by his wife of 29 years Lorraine; his brother Paul Kardos of Springfield, MA; nephews Christopher Kardos of Worcestershire, MA, Oliver Kardos of Albany, NY; Brad Kara of Charlotte, NC; niece Cynthia Kara Garcia of Fort Mills, SC and many friends. A celebration of Paul’s life will be held Saturday June 30th at 10am at Bobbitt Memorial Chapel 1299 E. Highland Ave. San Bernardino, CA 92404.



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Anonymous posted:

My father was Paul's cousin. Sadly I never knew him as a musician or very well as distance kept that from us. What I did know of him was that he was a Dedicated son to his mother Leigha. He could cook a steak on the Bar-B-Q like no other; that anyone could do whatever they wanted as long as they really wanted it and that there is no greater waste than a person with a great idea that does nothing with it. I will miss our infrequent correspondence and wish Lorrie, Family and close Friends our deepest condolences. ##imported-begin##Tony Miglecz and Family##imported-end##

September 24 at 5:00 PM



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September 24 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

We're sorry to hear of Paul's passing. He'll be greatly missed. We remember Paul from our childhood as a family friend and wonderful instructor. We offer our deepest condolences. ##imported-begin##Joshua Robertson & Jennifer Haskell##imported-end##

July 9 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

I just wanted to share with you that Paul Kardos was a great influence for me and for music in my life. As a young flute player in the late 80's I have fond memories of the SBVC band playing graduations, pep-band, christmas at the mall and road trips - las vegas, solvang. . . Paul's dedication to our success inspired me to believe in myself as a "part time" musician and I have continued to seek out community bands to play together with throughout my life. The music brings me a sense of purpose and joy. Paul touched many lives with his gift of music. . . more than he will ever know. I hope by your knowing this, it brings you some comfort at this time of sadness. ##imported-begin##Chris Carducci##imported-end##

July 6 at 5:00 PM



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Anonymous posted:

For all that I learned through Paul's relentless passion for musical performance at SBVC, I will never forget. My sincere and deepest condolences to family and friends. ##imported-begin##Bernadette Bova Steele##imported-end##

June 30 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

I would like to send you my condolences. I will always remember the years with the Kicks Big Band and Paul who has always been supportive. We performed at ball games, dances, parties and any event Paul would get a call on. He sure had the philosophy of having his students perform in the community as much as possible, which built our confidence and chops, and provided a lot of good PR for Valley College. Paul touched all our lives with a lasting impact and we are all better because of him.##imported-begin##Rob Reynolds##imported-end##

June 29 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Paul showed his love and devotion to music in everything he did. I have enjoyed playing in his band and will celebrate his life in future concerts.##imported-begin##Les Woodson##imported-end##

June 29 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

I was deeply saddened by the news of Paul's passing. How special that music was always beautifully weaved in throughout his lifetime, and that he was able to share his love of music enriching the lives of others. As his former student and SBVC colleague, I offer my condolences to the family. He will be remembered fondly.##imported-begin##Laura Gomez##imported-end##

June 28 at 5:00 PM



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Anonymous posted:

To Lori and the rest of Paul's family, please know that you are in my prayers. Through Paul and his music programs I grew as a musician. My favorite memories of college are days spent in the bandroom, office, being a "roadie" with the jazz band and playing in the community concert band. Both Paul and Lori are and continue to be champions of music in the schools and community. God bless you both. Love, Cheryl##imported-begin##Cheryl Bradbury Lozano Konarski##imported-end##

June 28 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

I was saddened to hear of Paul's passing....a true loss to his family and the the music world in the Inland Empire. Paul's dedication to music in the community was amazing....a fine musician, a knowledgable professor, and a kindred heart to the arts. He will be missed by the many lives he touched. My wife and I send our deepest condolences.Len and Debbie anderson##imported-begin##Leonard Anderson##imported-end##

June 27 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Paul touched and influenced so many people. I have always admired him for his energy, passion,high standards and the way he gave of his time to help others. He is greatly missed.##imported-begin##Gil Salzman##imported-end##

June 27 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

condolences to the family and friends of Paul Kardos. We will all miss him. Vonda Z.##imported-begin##vonda zaharopoulos##imported-end##

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Anonymous posted:

You could never find a more tireless champion of music education or music performance than Paul. He was dedicated to it and whatever live musical heritage San Bernardino and the region enjoys is because of Paul. I can honestly say that Paul gave me the gift of music--and in his legacy I will continue to pass that gift on. ##imported-begin##Matt Brubaker##imported-end##

June 27 at 5:00 PM



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