



David Spencer

September 20, 1964 - May 6, 2022

David was born in Saratoga Springs, NY, to William E "Ernie" Spencer, Jr and Sheila Hearon. David grew up in Saratoga Springs, but also spent summers in Chadwick Beach, NJ. Early in David's childhood, alongside his father, brother, and sister, they planted, trimmed, and sold Christmas trees from the Spencer Christmas Tree Farms. The first Spencer Christmas Trees were sold in 1968. It wasn't all work, speed skating was enjoyed by the family as well. As a third generation speed skater, David competed from the age of 6 to 15, attending meets and championship events. David earned many placement medals. He graduated from Saratoga Springs High School, in 1982; served in the Navy from 1984-1988; graduated from Maria College in Albany, NY, in 1993, with a degree as an Occupational Therapy Asst. In 1998, he graduated from Connecticut Center for Massage, certified in Massage Therapy. David worked as a Certified Occupational Therapy Asst, (COTA) since 1993, and traveled with his work to the states of NY, CT, TN, AZ, OR, and WA. He was a gifted therapist and touched many lives. Listening to the life experiences of patients and helping them recover, gave him joy and fulfillment.

David played soccer into his 30's, and was an avid English Premier League soccer fan. Manchester City being his team of choice. He also enjoyed golf, basketball, and football. He was a lifelong New York Giants fan, but after moving to Washington, he became a Seattle Seahawks fan. He rarely missed a Seahawk game.

Naturally talented with song, dance, and comedic timing, David was the lead singer in a cover band in CA in the late 80's; would karaoke any chance he could, and acted in community theatre. He began performing in community productions at the age of eight, with Stepping Star Studio in Saratoga Springs, NY, performing in "The Mouse and the Cheese"(1972). He held many key roles: starring as Will Rogers in "Will Rogers Follies" in CT; Phil Davis in "White Christmas", in Chelan, WA; Father Virgil Manly Trott in "Sister Amnesia's Country Western Nonsense Jamboree", in Chelan, WA; and his last role was as Nicely-Nicely in "Guys and Dolls", in Soap Lake, WA, (2019). There were many productions in between.

David's theatrical experiences were enjoyed by his patients, as he would occasionally sing a song while working. He brought joy to family and friends with phone calls as theatrical characters or the pizza delivery man.

In 2012, he met the love of his life, Tina. He quickly embraced becoming a dad to her daughter, Trista. As a family they shared love, laughter, singing, dancing, sports, travel, and creating culinary experiences, often including more family and friends.

David never knew a stranger. He was compassionate and kind. Many knew him as the therapist with his dog, Clover. Clover worked with him for ten years.

David is survived by his wife, Tina; stepdaughter, Trista White; mother, Sheila Williams and step-father John Williams of Brielle, NJ; brother, Stephen Spencer (Barbie) of Broad Brook, CT; sister, Catherine Spencer of Boonton, NJ; step-sisters: Karen Wendell of Manesquan, NJ, Laura Williams (Todd) of Eugene, OR, and Geralyn Williams of Studio City, CA; step-brothers: John Williams, Jr (Jen) of Red Bank, NJ, and Christopher (Julie) Williams of Sedona, AZ; niece, Hazel Spencer of Boonton, NJ; nephews: Michael Spencer (Michelle) of South Windsor, CT, and Matthew, Myles, and Mitchell Spencer of Manchester, CT.

He was preceded in death by his father, William E. "Ernie" Spencer, Jr., and a (step-)grandson, Waylon Charles.

The family is requesting any donations be made in David's name to K9s for Veterans at

<https://www.k9sforveteransnfp.org/index.html>.

Funeral services will be held at Lake Chelan Lutheran Church, 216 W. Nixon Ave., Chelan, WA, on Thursday, June 2, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. A Celebration of Life will also be held at the Ferndell Pavilion in the Saratoga Spa State Park on N. South Rd., Saratoga Springs, NY, on Friday June 24, 2022, from 12:00-6:00 p.m.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JUN 2. 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM (PT)

Lake Chelan Lutheran Church
216 W. Nixon
Chelan, WA 98816

Tribute Wall



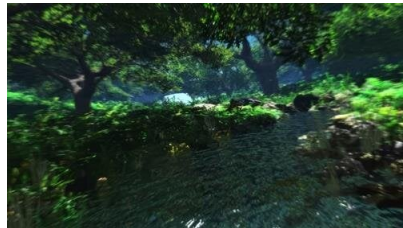
“ *Precht Rose Chapel and Barnes Chapel created a Webcast in memory of David Spencer*



Precht Rose Chapel and Barnes Chapel - May 24, 2022 at 12:50 PM



“ *Precht Rose Chapel and Barnes Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of David Spencer*



Precht Rose Chapel and Barnes Chapel - May 23, 2022 at 05:25 PM



“ *David Spencer*

January 29, 2023 at 08:49 AM

NS

“ Nancy Spencer lit a candle in memory of David Spencer



Nancy Spencer - June 18, 2022 at 11:29 PM

NS

Uncle Dave my heart is broken that you are gone you will always be the best brother in law and my Karaoke partner I miss you and love you dearly my friend 💕 XOXO Nancy

Nancy Spencer - June 18, 2022 at 11:39 PM

NS

Happy Birthday Uncle Dave 💕💕 XOXO Nancy

Nancy Spencer - September 20, 2025 at 04:12 PM

AD

“ Anita Distel lit a candle in memory of David Spencer



Anita Distel - June 02, 2022 at 09:04 PM

KK

“ Kamy & Katina lit a candle in memory of David Spencer



Kamy & Katina - June 02, 2022 at 08:17 PM

KA

Your light will always shine. Rest easy and we will see you on the flip side. Hugs to you and your family.

Kamy - June 02, 2022 at 08:20 PM

JO

“ *One of life's true "gentle souls", David was always looking out and caring for others. His zest for life was evident in his eyes, smile and quick wit. He was appreciated by his work colleagues and friends. He will be missed by many.*



Jodi O'Shea - May 29, 2022 at 11:14 PM

TS

“ *Tina Spencer lit a candle in memory of David Spencer*



Tina Spencer - May 29, 2022 at 03:59 PM

DL

“ *David added life and fun to all of us that worked with him. He was a team player and truly cared about his coworkers and residents. I will truly miss him and his uplifting joyous spirit! Rest in peace my friend!*

Donna Love - May 12, 2022 at 09:19 AM

LB

“ *David always took time on the job to compliment others. It was like a caring family. I will always miss him and send out prayers to Tina.*

Lynette Bebereia - May 10, 2022 at 10:58 PM



Kindness. This personified Dave. He had the gift of focus and making one feel important in his eyes- this is kindness in action. While I'm still here my friend your example will never be far away. I miss you Dave.

Christian O'Shea - May 29, 2022 at 11:20 PM