



Russell Leonard Johnston, Jr.

December 31, 1961 - April 7, 2016

JOHNSTON JR., Russell (Rusty) L., 54, left us suddenly on April 7, 2016.

Rusty was very well known in the community and touched the lives of many people. Born on New Year's Eve in 1961, Rusty was a native to Goleta, CA, and graduated from Dos Pueblos in 1980.

Rusty had many accomplishments in his life including bowling a 300 game in 2006 at a City Tournament, starting his own business at the age of 18 and becoming an accomplished cook.

He operated SB Vending and Video for 20 years. In 2008 he and his wife Amanda opened Roundin' Third Sports Bar in Goleta, which has become a very popular gathering place and allowed him to more recently open Home Plate Grill, operated by his brother Ken Johnston.

Rusty made everyone around him feel special and always welcomed everyone with open arms. He will be missed by so many who loved him dearly.

Rusty is survived by his true love, his wife, Amanda Enlow Johnston whom he shared his life with for 32 years. He is also survived by his father, Russ Johnston, Sr.; mother, Rita Johnston; sister, Sandra Marsh-Lund; brothers, Ken Johnston and William Johnston; Uncle, Victor Johnston and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

There will be a Celebration of Rusty's great life on Saturday, April 30, 2016, from noon to sunset at Tuckers Grove, Area 5.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

APR **30**. 12:00 PM (PT)

Tucker's Grove Park
805 San Antonio Creek Rd. @ Cathedral Oaks Rd.
Santa Barbara, CA 93111

Tribute Wall

RA

“ Rusty, even though we didnt hang in the same crowd, it didnt matter to you, you were a friend to everybody. Always real good to me, I remember you djaying at take one back in the day. You leaving us has really bothered me. Always thought class of 80 was pretty invincible, guys like you would always be there throughout the years. I know God has you in his loving arms. Take care my friend.

roger askew - April 24, 2016 at 01:49 AM

MG

“ Ah, Brains you will be missed. Everytime i talk to one of the guys you and our trp to Hawaii comes up. You were friends to everyone you met, heart of gold brother. Your memory will last a lifetime with me. Love you Rusty

Gator

Mike Gates - April 23, 2016 at 06:35 AM

AJ

“ 4 files added to the album *Amanda's Memories with Rusty and his Friends*



Amanda Johnston - April 22, 2016 at 11:52 PM

LW

Rusty may you find peace forever after we lost a good man and friend to many. Rip Rusty

larry ware - April 23, 2016 at 12:09 PM



“ *Love Rusty n Amanda. Great neighbors, awesome friends. Always close to my heart. Thee most generous person I will ever know. Always positive, along with that million dollar smile. A lot of great memories. Love, love, love you!!!*

Wendy Ayala-hinds - April 22, 2016 at 11:48 PM



Musette
Merrick

“ *Rusty, was one of the best. A man to admire because of his ability to be your friend unconditionally. His heart that he extended to every person he met. His gentle giant nature that nurtured many. His silly smile during game day, his love for family and friends. What sticks out the most is the love and respect he had for Amanda Gail. The countless Sundays he boasted about his Hottie wife and his favorite. .. her beautiful legs. They broke the mold when Rusty was born. I cannot explain how much I miss him, but most of all I feel like one of the luckiest girls in the world to have had the opportunity to know someone as special as him. Rest Peaceful my friend. ... your memory and friendship will live on forever though all of us.*

Musette Merrick - April 22, 2016 at 11:40 PM

CW

You were always a little 'adopted' bro to me. All those years as you grew up at the 'lanes', and the times we worked together. You were a smiling friend to everyone. Your family should always be proud of how you grew to be the man you were. Thanks for all of the fun memories.

Chuck Wellendorf - April 29, 2016 at 11:44 PM