



Todd Louis Vitale

October 15, 1963 - November 15, 2023

Todd Louis Vitale, 60, a professional vocalist and Realtor who lived in Chicago's Sheridan Park neighborhood, passed away peacefully November 15, 2023 after a long battle with ALS - Lou Gehrig's disease .

Born in East St. Louis, Illinois, Todd graduated early from Belleville-West High School in 1981 to sing at Opryland along with Melody Top (WI) before embarking on International and Regional Broadway tours of Pirates of Penzance, King and I, Evita and Jesus Christ Superstar.

After settling in Chicago, Todd performed around the city. He produced and starred in his own one-man show "Night and Day – Tribute to Cole Porter" at the Royal George Cabaret Theater. He regularly performed with Tuxedo Junction and also annually sang for the High Holy Days at Anshe Emet and Bnai Torah congregations. He truly loved all kinds of music and learning about the history and culture the music represented.

His love for food, wine and cuisine led him to become a captain at Spiaggia Dining Room for many years before pursuing a new career as a licensed Realtor.

Todd loved surrounding himself with beauty, art, music and creating the perfect environment. His creativity knew no bounds from painting, calligraphy,

interior and graphic design.

The World was his oyster until ALS took it all away.

Survived by his beloved partner and best friend of nearly 34 years,
Christopher Michael Sterling, who was Todd's devoted primary caregiver.

Loving son of the late Rev. John Lee Vitale and Betty Jean Vitale (nee Walter),
brother of Mark Vitale of Newburgh, NY and Lynn (Randy) Pantano of
Columbia, IL.

Adored brother-in-law of Karen (Mark) Moritz, uncle of Brandon and Nathan
Moritz, and great-uncle of Hayden Moritz.

Faithful companion of Luce, Harry and Winston, the Cattens.

Todd is survived by many supportive friends including Judith Sherwin, Kristin
Milles, Shawn-Laree O'Neil, Sue Carrel, Sonia Arroyave, Nina Fernandez,
and Mary Beth Gierlinger.

A celebration of life is being planned to coincide with Todd and Chris' 34th
anniversary, early February, 2024.

Donations may be made in Todd's name to www.hark-als.org or <https://www.als.net/>, two non-profit support driven ALS Foundations.

Arrangements by Inclusive Funeral Care, 773-318-1305 or www.InclusiveFuneralCare.com.

Tribute Wall

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“ My first ALS symptom occurred in 2016, but was diagnosed in 2018. I had severe symptoms ranging from shortness of breath, balance problems, couldn't walk without a walker or a power chair, i had difficulty swallowing and fatigue. I was given medications which helped but only for a short burst of time, then I decided to try alternative measures and began on ALS Formula treatment from Aknni herbs centre, It has made a tremendous difference for me (Visit ww w. aknniherbscentre.c om). I had improved walking balance, increased appetite, muscle strength, improved eyesight and others.

Cory Merlon - February 18, 2025 at 01:35 AM

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“ I am a CALS. My husband is PALS. It's was hard and I cry daily but not in front of him unless we cry together. He couldn't find anything to give him happiness or hope. We have been focusing on our faith. He was only loosing his voice before we made the decision to try different medications, which significantly enhanced his condition. He received treatment for ALS/MND at uinehealthcentre. com from Canada approximately four months ago; since then, he has stopped using a feeding tube, speech is getting better by the day, sleeps well, works out frequently, and has become very active.

Grace Nathan's - January 10, 2025 at 07:44 PM

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cory merlon - May 21, 2024 at 08:17 AM

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“ Belleville West High School, 1981: I was 14-yrs-old running a spotlight for the first time on Todd while he sang "On the Street Where You Live" while portraying Freddie Eynsford-Hill in My Fair Lady. I remember his voice touched my heart so deeply back then; it makes for a nice memory for me. I hope Todd's family/friends can hold each other close while reminiscing about him. Peace & Rest to You All! ` Jane Klucker-Boyle, BTHS Class of 1984, long-time resident of Carbondale, IL

Jane Klucker-Boyle - December 18, 2023 at 03:02 PM



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Lynn Pantano - December 04, 2023 at 03:25 PM




So many laughs!

Lynn Pantano - December 04, 2023 at 03:54 PM

RS

“ *Met you guys years ago at Spaggia...such an amazing couple..Rest in Heaven my friend.. Chris my heart and strength go out to you*

Rosario Signorile - December 03, 2023 at 05:29 PM

 Fran
Kras

“ *What a lovely life Todd led. I am so sad I never got to hear him sing. Hugs to all his caring friends, especially you, Chris.*

Fran Kras - December 03, 2023 at 02:56 PM

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“ *Beautiful tribute if an Awesome man!! Prayers and Love sent to his family!!!
Dan and Brenda Fearheiley.*

Brenda Fearheiley - December 03, 2023 at 02:39 PM



Thank you Brenda and Dan!

Lynn Pantano - December 04, 2023 at 03:21 PM

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“ *Todd, I love you more than there are words to say, you made the world a better place, you made my life better, I miss you every single day, but it's not goodbye, but see you later! 🥹💔❤️*

lynn pantano - December 01, 2023 at 08:07 AM

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Lynn Pantano - November 29, 2023 at 08:47 PM

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What a man! Todd made the world a better place. Love, Chris and Beth Spahn

Beth Spahn - November 30, 2023 at 09:21 PM

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Thank you Beth and Chris! ❤️

lynn pantano - December 01, 2023 at 08:09 AM