



David Keith Brooks

July 30, 1957 - October 18, 2024

David Keith Brooks, a man whose commanding presence and musical talents left an indelible mark on all who knew him, passed away at home surrounded by loved ones at the age of 67 on Friday, October 18, 2024, after a valiant 3-year battle with colon cancer. David was born in Greenville, SC with a gift for music and knew he was meant to share his passion with those around him. David's life was a symphony of creativity, love, and inspiration. Although his stage presence was larger than life, David was a man of few words who loved his wife, Lisa Eileen Brooks, his 7 children and his close friends with every fiber of his being.

David graduated from Stetson University, where his passion for music was exemplified through a major in voice, minor in organ playing, playing the Trumpet, and performing Opera. He graduated seminary school in Kentucky and became a Deacon at Sumterville Baptist Church. He was also a Professor and Director of Music at Lake Sumter Community College. His continuing journey in music led him to compose and illustrate eight piano books for children, with which he taught over 500 students in his career and inspired countless young musicians. He also composed and produced two albums of original music, which memorialized his deep devotion and vibrant spirit.

On January 4th, 2012, David's life was forever changed when he serendipitously met the love of his life, Lisa, online although they lived nearly

2,000 miles from each other. Their fated connection blossomed through his music and never-ending video calls; the magnetic pull of their love led to their marriage on July 7th, 2012. All who knew David know that Lisa's partnership brought him immense joy and love, and offered him acceptance that he had never felt in his life. Their love story was beautiful and was the driving force in his resilience against adversity in life and his health.

With Lisa's partnership, David became invested in his beloved band, "Bassville Park," with which he performed over 300 times across countless Florida venues, leaving audiences captivated by his dynamic performances. "Bassville Park" gave David an outlet for creativity and allowed him to connect deeply with communities across Lake County. As someone who grew up on military bases himself, David was passionate about veterans' rights and was devoted to his active membership in AmVets. He was a proud Officer of the Sons of AmVets Post 1992 in Mount Dora, a position he cherished more than most others in his life.

David was not only a virtuoso in music but also mechanically brilliant; those close to him know him as a creator, an architect, an electrician, a plumber, a farmer, and an air conditioning guru. There was no contraption too complicated to create and no item that couldn't be repaired. A true epicurean, David delighted in exploring diverse cuisines and was well known for his love of hot sauce, which he believed complemented almost any dish. David loved his All-You-Can-Eat Chicken at Sonny's, which was one of his top meals of choice for almost 40 years.

David's legacy is one imbued with passion, creativity, and hard work. He held many titles and badges, but his favorite ones were husband and father. He enriched the lives of so many through his music, teachings, and sense of humor. Though he may no longer be with us, the melodies of his life will continue to resonate in our hearts.

In addition to his beloved wife, Lisa, David is survived by his children Holly Carter, Jordan Brooks, Chelsea Rhodes, and Kayla Ramdan; his stepchildren Jordan Snooks, Brian Brooks, and Laura Snooks; nine treasured grandchildren, and his oldest brother, Ben. Additionally, he leaves behind his cherished fur babies, Schooner, Steely Dan, and Keji. He is predeceased by his parents, William and Marjorie, and his siblings Greg and Margie. He will be deeply missed by family, friends, and all who were fortunate enough to experience his remarkable presence.

A celebration of David's life will be scheduled at a later date and shared with his closest friends and family. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Sons of AmVets Post 1992 of Mount Dora (32201 AmVets Way, Mount Dora, FL, 32757).

May David's spirit continue to inspire and uplift us all, as we carry forward the legacy of his beautiful and harmonious life.

Arrangements entrusted to Beyers Funeral Home of Leesburg, Florida.

Tribute Wall



“ *Beyers Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of David Keith Brooks*



Beyers Funeral Home - October 29, 2024 at 01:20 PM

HC

So beautiful

Holly Carter - October 29, 2024 at 05:14 PM

RC

Holly, I am so sorry for your loss. Watching him made me feel like I knew this beautiful person. I know from you that he had to be amazing because of who you are . He was so full of love for his family, furry friends and music 🎸. I pray that you all find some comfort in the coming months.

Rene Cooper - October 29, 2024 at 05:40 PM

DS

Beautiful memories

Diane Salsburg - October 31, 2024 at 01:41 PM

KM

He and his music will surely be missed.

Kim Marie - October 31, 2024 at 03:03 PM

CH

This is so beautiful. I miss you so much dad. ❤️

chelsea - November 03, 2024 at 01:53 PM

DR

That was a very beautiful video. David you will be greatly missed by everyone who had the opportunity to meet and spend any amount of time with you. You accepted me into your family and when I asked you if I could ask for your daughter's hand in marriage you gleefully gave me your blessing. This isn't goodbye, this is catch ya later buddy! P.S. No putting ladders in the back of pickup trucks to trim branches while your up there relaxing.

Drew Rhodes - November 03, 2024 at 05:05 PM

PS

I just found out that David transitioned to the Heavens above. Sending prayers to the family, may they find strength, peace and comfort. LOVE IS FOREVER

PEGGY s - November 20, 2024 at 09:29 PM

SM

David and I go back about 49 years. I went to high school with his sister and that's when I met David. I also played the piano for Ballast Point Baptist Church and David was playing the organ at that time. He was a friend of mine on my old Facebook page and I knew about his cancer and treatments. When my Facebook page got hacked and taken over I had to create a new Facebook page. I sent David a friend request but he never responded.

I'm just now seeing this and I'm so very sorry for your loss. He will be missed.

Suecora Miner - October 02, 2025 at 08:11 PM

RR

“ I'll NEVER forget what a beautiful job he did on the song "The Dance". Always kind and reserve, he will be missed.

Rob Redeye - October 29, 2024 at 10:56 PM



“ 6 files added to the tribute wall



Lisa Brooks - October 28, 2024 at 09:39 PM

SV

“ *David is my nephew and is only 9 years younger. I haven't seen him much in recent years, but I adored him when we were growing up. Although there is a hole in our hearts from his passing, we can rejoice in the fact that he is with his Lord and Savior and with other family members who have gone on before.*

Sybil Brooks Vaughn - October 26, 2024 at 11:18 AM

SV

“ 1 file added to the album Family



Sybil Brooks Vaughn - October 26, 2024 at 11:14 AM

SV

David and me; I was 10 years old and he was one.

Sybil Brooks Vaughn - October 26, 2024 at 11:21 AM

CH

I love this!

chelsea - November 03, 2024 at 01:39 PM

LE

“ I was honored to call him my friend. David and Lisa were both there for me wyl had my stroke. Loved his music and Delilah was my favorite song that he sang. You will be missed my friend but I know that I will see you again.

Larry Edwards - October 26, 2024 at 07:49 AM

BG

“ I am very sad to hear about David's passing. We had the pleasure of singing in the choir at Altoona Baptist Church where David was the choir director while he was still a student at Stetson. He was a gifted musician and good friend. The music world of which he was a part will miss him.

Bobby and Connie Gibson - October 25, 2024 at 07:42 AM

CC

“ I offer my heartfelt condolences to Holly, Lisa and family. This is such a beautiful tribute to a man that was loved by many. I first met David in Florida when he came and stayed with Holly and I while on vacation. I found out what an amazing cook he was when he prepared meals for us. Having met him briefly a few more times I saw the love he had for his children and his beautiful wife, Lisa. I could see what they had was special. Holly always spoke highly of her dad and with such love. I am greatful for him because without him I would not have my bonus daughter, Holly. David may you rest easy.

Cathy Carter - October 24, 2024 at 02:51 PM

HC

He was a great cook, he is the master behind the French onion soup you enjoy that I make. Love you Cathy and thank you for the kindness and compassion and love for me and my family.

Holly Carter - October 28, 2024 at 09:22 PM

TP

“ Very fortunate to have met David and his wife Lisa. David was a dedicate, multi-talented musician and I enjoyed his friendship as well as the opportunities to hear him perform. Our condolences go out to his family and friends. As I truly believe, in the path of life, birthdays don't age us as much as losing those who we love. Rest easy Dave.

Thomas Peasley - October 24, 2024 at 02:00 PM

HC

Thank you for the kind words Thomas.

Holly Carter - October 28, 2024 at 09:20 PM

JO

*“ I would like to express my deepest sympathies to my sister-in-law Holly, as well as to her siblings and stepmother. I cannot imagine the depth of sorrow you are experiencing, and my heart aches tremendously for you during this difficult time.
Love, Joelene*



Joelene - October 24, 2024 at 01:47 PM

HC

Thank you so much, love you Joelene 💕

Holly Carter - October 28, 2024 at 09:19 PM

KM

“ Prayers to his family. It was my honor to know a very talented musician. He will truly be missed.

Kim Marie - October 24, 2024 at 01:12 PM

HC

Thank you Kim.

Holly Carter - October 28, 2024 at 09:19 PM