



Rulon Galloway

September 19, 1954 - May 26, 2020

Rulon Kidd Galloway, Jr. (65) passed away on May 26, 2020 in Provo, UT of natural consequences. He was born September 19, 1954 in Frankfurt am Main, Germany to Rulon Kidd Galloway, Sr. and Engelina Ingrid Krüger. Around age 3, his parents, older half-brother, Alvin, and half-sister, Mary Ellen, moved to Atlanta, GA for his father to continue military service. He vividly remembers the frogs crossing the road en masse and remained enchanted by frogs ever since.

Later the family moved to Pocatello, ID where his father's extended family lived. He attended elementary and some junior high school there. Later still the family settled in Granger, UT where he finished his secondary education at Granger High School, graduating in 1972. He had several paper routes, first on a bicycle and later in a tiny mail truck which his father converted for paper deliveries.

His greatest lifelong joy blossomed in high school choir with an influential music teacher, Norm Wendel. Rulon's beautiful singing voice grew and developed under his baton. He worked for Harmons grocery starting as a bagger. He always retained a keen skill for swiftly packing a paper grocery sack to perfection. He regretted when plastic grocery sacks came along. They just weren't up to snuff for his way of doing things.

Since he had dual citizenship, Rulon was naturalized at age 19 before serving a French-speaking mission to Geneva, Switzerland and southern France from 1973–1975. He was faithful, hard working and kept a precious journal. Upon returning, he attended Brigham Young University where he pursued a degree in choral conducting. He was a member of the acapella choir and toured Europe and Israel with them. After a stake choir rehearsal, he approached the accompanist and asked her out for a date that night, and the next, and the next...After 18 days, he proposed to F. Jayne Curtis and they married on August 3, 1981 in the Salt Lake Temple. Between his singing and her playing, many said it was a match made in heaven.

He started a business while in college that would follow him the rest of his life: silk screen

printing. He started Handsome Prints Design with a royal frog as his logo. Business took off and he decided to leave school. He worked long and hard to make the business grow. Persistence and creativity were some of his best attributes.

After 10 long years, their one and only son finally came. This was a blessed and joyous time. Andrew Scott Galloway became the heart and soul of the family.

He was always involved in music—local community choirs, the Ralph Woodward Chorale, local theater (playing Harold Hill in *The Music Man* twice), and church music. As a male who could sing tenor, baritone, or bass and read music, ward and stake choirs were always happy to have him.

Rulon is survived by his wife Jayne, and son Andrew, sister Mary Ellen Haley (San Jose, CA), beloved Aunt Rachel Christiansen (Pocatello, ID), and many cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents, brother Alvin, and younger sister Kathelene E. Galloway.

A Graveside Service will be held Saturday, May 30, 2020, 12:00 noon, at the Orem City Cemetery (1520 N. 800 E. Orem) under the direction of Utah Valley Mortuary. Due to current state guidelines surrounding COVID-19, we need to limit attendance, with proper social distance and personal face coverings in place. However, all who wish to celebrate Rulon's life with us are more than welcome to view a recording of the service online, via a link available starting Saturday afternoon on his obituary page at uvfuneral.com.

Cemetery

Orem City Cemetery

1520 North 800 East

Orem, UT, 84097

Comments



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Utah Valley Mortuary - June 01, 2020 at 10:46 AM



“ I mostly interacted with Rulon through his printing businesses. He was always willing to help others and was endlessly looking for the next project and especially the next creative innovation. He gave me an office space when I didn't have any other location to work and I am truly grateful for the time I was able to spend with Rulon. THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING, RULON ...

I'll keep your website running as long as possible for your memory.
handsomeprints.com Thanks again.



Steven Hansen - May 10 at 01:21 AM



“ Rulon and I worked on his creative ideas for practicing singing. We first met at Hawthorne Junior High in 1967. We attended the same ward and connected back again when I came to Provo, Utah to teach at BYU in the Marketing/Entrepreneurship program. Rulon was going to update me a few weeks ago on his progress for his voice training device. I was shocked and deeply saddened to find out he passed away unexpectedly. I considered Rulon a great friend. He is a gentle soul forged by tough experiences and I will miss his friendship and persistent cheerful drive. Rulon always thought in magnificent terms while most men think in small terms. I hope your family is proud of his legacy. God speed my friend.

Gary Rhoads - July 14, 2020 at 12:28 AM



“ It is with sadness but great honor that I can share my memory of Rulon on this page. I went to school with Rulon and we sang in Madrigals together. He ALWAYS made everyone around him believe we were amazing and talented. He ALWAYS treated everyone with love and respect. And oh how he could sing!! I always believed that he would become Norman Wendell when he grew up, and he'd sing in the tabernacle choir! I watched for his face each week as I enjoyed “music and the spoken word.” Thank you, my friend, for being such a shining light to everyone around you everyday. And, God bless his precious Jayne and Andrew and family with the promised gift of the Holy Ghost as you grieve his passing. I believe he is singing with angels!

Joan Crouch Langston - June 12, 2020 at 04:17 PM



“ I wanted to share some of my precious memories of Rulon: I worked for him for a couple years when I was first starting out. He taught me so much! And, we learned together. It was my first job as a professional artist — I remember thinking, “Wait, I get paid to draw pictures and make artwork? How cool is this?!!!” It really solidified my resolve to go through art school and launched my long career in Graphic Designer and now Creative Director. We created cool things together and he taught me the value of being creative. He also taught me, “Don’t click on *File* then drag all the way down to *Print* — Just hit “Command + P! It’s way faster!” Rulon loved little details like that and it taught me the value of efficiency and to always look for the short cut! It wasn’t all work. In the shop we had this little game: when it was quiet and we were into our work, one of us would sneak up on the other standing right behind them... then belt out singing, “HEY!!! you’ve got to hide your love away!” or some other silly song. Rulon loved to sing (as you know) and I attended many of his performances. I especially remember the Handel’s Messiah in the old Provo Tabernacle. Another game we played in the shop was to take turns singing a song, and go back and forth and never repeat a song... My dad taught folk guitar lessons for 40 years and Rulon was a walking music library! — So, this game never ended!! As we went on with our lives and went separate ways, I lost track of him — until Facebook rolled around. Up until recently, he would send me some designs and ideas for things that I would critique. Some of his ideas were quite hair-brained! But, he never stopped pursuing the quest to make something great! And, he always wanted to provide for his family whom he loved so deeply! I’m a better person to have known him and proudly call him friend. AND, I still proudly list that first “Designer/Illustrator” job on my own resumé. Want proof? Click this link! <http://richmondstudio.com/#services>

Thanks for believing in me!

My sincere love and sympathies to, Jayne, Andrew and all his loved ones.

(I posted this to Facebook, too)

Joe Richmond - June 05, 2020 at 07:22 PM



“ Sending love to the Galloway's at such a sad time. Rulon was always a kind, compassionate individual and I dearly loved be associated with him and with Jane and Andrew. Love you all dearly. - Kay Rindlisbach

Kay Rindlisbach - June 02, 2020 at 12:46 PM



“ It was always a joy visiting Rulon with my sons every Fast Sunday for many years delivering Fast Offerings. He and Jane were always anxious to know all of the various things my family were up to, and graciously reciprocated goings on with Andrew. Rulon's brain would always be going a million miles an hour, and he was very passionate about a lot of things, but music was his true love! I know he will be missed greatly, but I am convinced that the Lord needed a chorister position filled in Heaven.

John Bryan

John Bryan - June 01, 2020 at 03:51 PM



“ We were such good friends in high school I was so glad he called and talked to me about the 45th reunion and was very sad he didn't make it. My prayers and warm love go to his wife and son at this trying time. MonaLee Shiner

MonaLee Shiner - May 31, 2020 at 05:04 PM



“ I'm so very sorry to hear about the passing of Rulon! I loved hearing him sing - he had such a beautiful voice! May God bless you, Jayne and Andrew, with comfort and peace during this very difficult time! Alene Davis

Alene Davis - May 31, 2020 at 03:50 AM



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Sharon Dayley - May 30, 2020 at 11:37 PM



“ This photo was taken after Uncle Merlin (Christiansen)'s funeral 5 April 2012. Rulon sang "O My Father", and because Jayne had another gig, I got to accompany him. Everyone's comments here are true--his voice and his presentation were wonderful. At my Dad's funeral (mentioned by Mike Galloway below), he was the one who pulled that motley crew of my brothers together and made it all sound so good :) I know my Dad (Rulon's Uncle Joe) was there and was pleased. And for a second time, it was my privilege to accompany.

Rulon, we are surprised by your leaving--it was just too soon. But we're also once again reminded of our own mortality and how precious life is. Remember us to those beloved family members you are now greeting and tell them of our love for them. We will join you all soon enough. For now, our prayers for comfort and solace will be poured out for your sweet wife and faithful son.

Jayne and Andrew, may you receive the peace that comes from the Comforter at this tender time and throughout your lives, until you are all together again. Know that you are loved--by Heavenly Father and by all of us.

Your cousin,
Sharon Galloway Dayley

Sharon Dayley - May 31, 2020 at 12:23 AM



“ My love and condolences go out to you Jayne and Andrew. I'm so so sorry. Rulon was the best Harold Hill ever! I'm grateful I had the opportunity to work with him and get to know you two in that production of Music Man so many years ago. In our community, it was an epic show, and is an epic memory! I will always remember learning so much from Rulon's experience and dedication. His beautiful ringing baritone has always been an inspiration wherever he sang. He was always kind and friendly to me. He will be missed. Blessings to you all.

Laurie Koralewski Payne - May 30, 2020 at 10:17 PM



“ To my very special cousin Rulon,
We are saddened at your leaving us so soon, but I am equally as sure you are celebrated by family at your return home. My mind and heart is taken back to our early years growing up in Pocatello Idaho and our high school years in Granger Utah. I recall when we were young boys and your mom would give us summer haircuts. Your strict German mother would always require us to remove our shoes before coming into her house. And particularly the weeks that I and my brothers Kevin and Roger lived with your family when our house was being moved because of the building of the Salt Lake City beltway freeway. You were so much fun to be with and I was very happy to have another brother. You were always a good example to me. Being 2 years ahead of me in high school it was a challenge for me to keep up with the high standards you set, especially in choir, but I have always been proud to be compared to my older cousin. And thank you so much for singing with me and my brothers at my dad's funeral. Your life was well lived, and you will be very missed here, especially by Jayne and Andrew. My heart and prayers are with you Jayne and Andrew. I know of what you are feeling and I ache not being able to be with you today. We will certainly mourn our loss now, but I am also sure we will celebrate again. With much heartfelt love,
-your cousins Mike and LaDeane

Mike Galloway - May 30, 2020 at 04:35 PM



“ Rulon was one of the two teachers of my district in the Missionary Training Center. Previously, we had sung together in opera at BYU. I remember a day in particular when I as a young naive Elder was struggling mightily with my testimony. Together we found an empty classroom where we talked heart to heart for a couple hours. Later, he gave me a paperback copy of “A Marvelous Work and a Wonder” that he had personally highlighted and written in just for me. Merci pour tous, Frère Galloway.

Matt Bean - May 30, 2020 at 02:53 PM



“ I'm sorry to hear for Rulon's passing. He was a good friend and mentor. I loved singing with him and Jayne. Rulon was always so positive, supportive and encouraging! That was just his nature.

Devin Toma - May 30, 2020 at 12:04 PM



“ Siento mucho la muerte de mi amigo,,lamento mucho no haberme despedido de él, mis más sentido pesame!!

Embroidery fast,i make embriodery for hi - May 30, 2020 at 07:16 PM



“ Rulon changed my vision of what a ward choir should really be. As a lay vocalist in our ward choir, I know that I probably drove him crazy with my "female tenor" voice. He often chose complex and challenging music which were greek to me but he always encouraged me to grow my talent. I will always be grateful to him for that. I will never forget when we sang the Hallelujah Chorus--in my opinion we sounded like the Mormon Tabernacle Choir. I so enjoyed his Primary sharing time presentations as they were so creative and exciting for all of us--costumes and all. We had many good talks about nothing in particular but always appreciated his knowledge of so many different things. We didn't always have the same opinion of things, but we loved and respected each other. When the ward was divided I would sometimes just hang around to hear their ward choir and his beautiful voice --no matter what part. He will be missed.

Linda Campbell - May 29, 2020 at 07:18 PM



“ So sorry to lose Rulon. He influenced my music appreciation and participation. He will be missed.

Laura Card - May 29, 2020 at 08:53 PM



“ My family and I used to look so forward to hearing Rulon singing Oh Holy Night. Johnny Mathis has been my favourite singer of this song, and Rulon won our hearts when he sang it. He read a wonderful poem one time about his mom and although I can't find it, I know that he loved her and his dad very much. Ted and I would often bump into him in Ripleys and talk the day away. We will miss him, his smiling face, and his beautiful voice. I am sure the Heavenly Choir will welcome this great tenor.

heather and Ted Cantrell - May 29, 2020 at 11:44 PM



“ I am shocked and saddened at Rulon's passing. He was a good friend. We will miss him.

Lloyd Anderton - May 30, 2020 at 01:08 PM



“ I am truly saddened at this news , and the passing of Rulon . Such a fine person and a great friend , for 3 decades. Rest in peace my friend. Prayers , and condolences for his family and loved ones.

Randy Partridge - May 30, 2020 at 05:10 PM



“ I first met Rulon when he came to my house to ask about some property tax issues. Thereafter we became good friends and he was always supportive of my campaign efforts. One night we stayed up most of the night together screen-printing campaign posters. He will be sorely missed.

And Jayne -- I have said it before and repeat it here. You are a cultural treasure in this community. We love and honor you both.

Cynthia and Claude Richards

Claude Richards - May 30, 2020 at 11:47 PM



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