



## Perry Alan Levinson

July 15, 1961 - July 20, 2021

Perry arrived "home" eternally on July 20th 2021 at 60 years of age to meet his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. He died peacefully at home surrounded by his loving family who unbeknownst to themselves were gifted caretakers able to meet his every need. He endured a brave and determined fight against glioblastoma brain cancer enduring two craniotomies in 2 month's time, chemotherapy, immunotherapy and radiation. Unfortunately God wanted him sooner than we were all ready to let him go. Perry was the life of the party and knew how to have fun and we can all rest assured of the jubilant heavenly homecoming he is experiencing, imagine great music, tasty food, lots of wonderful conversations accompanied by tremendous laughter and just good plain fun.

Perry was born July 15, 1961 to Sharon Graf Levinson and Paul H Levinson in Buffalo New York. His mother worked to support the family so at any early age he took on the awesome responsibility of raising his siblings, Marty, Jenny and Steven. He attended East High School in Madison Wisconsin and graduated from Depew High School in Depew New York in 1979. Perry shared that being a father and raising his two sons David and Andrew were some of his most cherished times. He enjoyed supporting their sporting events and spending evenings with them celebrating their accomplishments. Perry loved golfing with Andrew, always proving to be a challenge on the course. Perry loved fishing and talking sports with David and supporting David's love for his reptile

farm. He loved fantasy football discussions with both sons enjoying giving advice for their teams. He was so proud of helping Andrew win his league. Perry married the love of his life Glenda Miller Levinson on February 6th 2020. They began as high school sweethearts, went their separate ways only to be reunited 35 years later, a true love story for both of them. They shared their love of ocean sunsets, lazy beach days, and lived their unique Salt Life Dream of Paradise. Glenda was privileged to spend 10 amazing fun filled years with her love.

Perry was an avid sports fan and loved supporting his Buffalo Bills no matter if they won or lost. He also loved and supported the Green Bay Packers, Buffalo Sabers, Las Vegas Knights and more recently Tampa Bay Lightning. Perry grew up playing sports, football, baseball, basketball and hockey. He played baseball in Madison for the North Stars and for Willow's Tavern. His accomplishments included his teams winning several championship games. He finally hung up his baseball mitt at age 58.

Perry had a great love for music and made it a point to attend many concerts throughout his lifetime. Jimmy Buffett concerts were his favorite as he loved dressing up as the captain to celebrate his love for Jimmy's music. He enjoyed listening to small bands and thus was a great supporter of local music. Perry could always be counted on to provide the music for the party. Perry had a passion for cooking. He took pure joy in providing beautiful meals for his family and friends. He appreciated his Jewish background learning to cook kosher from his grandmother. He savored in the sharing of his Buffalo New York specialty dishes. Perry had a very giving heart and often helped others in need without expecting anything in return. Perry knew what it was like to be down on his luck and helping others brought a peace and serenity to his life. He was doing the true work of Jesus in his own private way.

Perry shared great love with his grandchildren, Emma Horstman, Riley

Horstman and Foster. Perry loved spending time with them playing games sharing his love of sports and feeding them. He enjoyed taking care of Foster as a baby sharing his gentle soul with him. He loved taking Foster to the park to play on the swings. He enjoyed watching Emma's swim meets, always cheering her on and reveling in her progressive talent. His absolute joy was watching Riley play baseball and of course coaching him on the sidelines. Perry always took time to practice pitching and hitting with Riley in the park. He coached each of his grandchildren to try to do their best with his encouraging words.

Perry had a lifetime career in automobile sales and management. Early on he developed a passion for cars. In 1990 he opened his first car dealership with his father Paul in Madison Wisconsin called Helpful Motors. He worked for Town Automotive in Buffalo New York, Mercedes Benz of Sarasota Florida, Paul Yoder Automotive Sarasota Florida, and Cambridge Automotive in Cambridge Wisconsin, He was Car Salesman of the Year for Mercedes Benz of Sarasota several times throughout his career. Perry had a talk radio show in Sarasota Florida where he was known as the car guy. He loved when people called in and they would talk cars and sports. He retired April 2020 from Paul Yoder Automotive of Sarasota.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to physicians Dr. Michael Jaglal, Dr. Mark Greenberg, Dr. Lawrence Burke and also to the staff at Moffit Cancer Center of Tampa Florida for providing excellent oncological care.

Perry will be missed by his wife Glenda Miller - Levinson, his children David Levinson (Brianna Peterson), Andrew Levinson (Stacy Zirklebach), Jason Horstman (Brenda Horstman), Rachel, and his grandchildren Emma Horstman, Riley Horstman, and Foster. His brother Martin Levinson (niece Tabitha (Lonie) Levinson Frank), Frank, sister Jenny Parkos Reiber (niece

Kaylee) brother Steven Reiber (Lori Provenzano) step-siblings Emilie DiCaprio (nephew (Michael Oftdahl) Phil DiCaprio (Sandy DiCaprio) (nephews Danny DiCaprio, Jon Rygiewicz), and his father-in-law Ronald Miller and grandnephew Allen (AJ) Frank. Perry was preceded in death by his father Paul Levinson 02/06/2019, his mother Sharon Graf 09/29/2010, his mother-in-law Jean Miller 03/19/2019, stepmother Isabell Levinson 01/11/2014, and his grandparents.

For all wishing to provide Perry with a living tribute please consider having a tree(s) planted in his honor on the following link: <https://shop.alivingtribute.org>

Favorite Bible Verse: As the deer pants for streams of waters so my soul pants for you, O God. My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When can I go and meet with God? Psalm 42: 1-2

Remembrance Celebration:

September 4th, 2021

Olbrich Gardens, 3330 Atwood Ave

Madison Wisconsin

Wake 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Service 1:00 pm

Visiting with appetizers 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Spreading of ashes at 5:00 p.m. at Olbrich Beach

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

SEP 4. 10:30 AM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Olbrich Beach  
3330 Atwood Avenue  
Madison, WI

# Tribute Wall



“ *Perry Alan Levinson*

October 09, 2023 at 02:01 AM



“ *Perry Alan Levinson*

January 28, 2023 at 12:09 PM



“ ... *I have a great memory of being at Siesta Beach House in Siesta Key, FL*

*And Perry called me and then stopped by in his gold Porsche. We had dinner at Perry's home, he was a incredible cook, we laughed and had such a great time. We went out to eat a few more times that week. My son Jamey and his friend DJ thought Perry was so funny! A great memory of a very special friend. I'll never forget all the great times with Perry & Glenda. John & Meg Masino*

**John Masino** - September 03, 2021 at 06:44 PM

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“ I remember Perry always welcomed me to his and Glenda’s home in Cottage Grove and FL, with delicious food (breakfasts or dinner on his grill kitchen he designed)he’d cook as long as I ate it without complaints. He was a great cook and wanted to please my palette as their guest.the last meal he made me was lamb chops and I’m pretty sure he said something to the effect of how much I could eat. I loved his dry humor, I couldn’t tell when he was joking or serious-then he’d crack that smile. I will cherish our relationship, I love him and miss him dearly. The last time I talked to him he was preaching the word of God with great proclamation! I believe God welcomed home an Angel!!



Krista - July 29, 2021 at 09:13 PM

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“ Wendy Sanders Travis lit a candle in memory of Perry Alan Levinson



Wendy Sanders Travis - July 29, 2021 at 07:47 PM

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“ Prayers your way. Let David Travis and me know if you need anything.

Wendy Sanders Travis - July 29, 2021 at 07:46 PM