



Fratt Aho

September 5, 1956 - January 11, 2021

Frederick Matti Aho (Fratt Tahoe), 64, passed away January 11, 2021. Fratt was a native of Peterborough, New Hampshire, the son of the late Hjalmar W. and Elmi E. Frigard Aho.

He worked in many phases of construction throughout his life. He was a general contractor as well as a hands on tradesman. He passed along his skill and knowledge to his kids. He was a former construction business owner as well. His last occupation was a residential draftsman, working from his home office, which was also his music studio-where he could be found playing, writing, and recording music.

Surviving is his wife Debbie Niemitalo Aho; his children; Marissa (Troy) Kinnunen of Greer; Milo (Rachael) Aho of Greer; Dallas (Shila) Aho of Texas, Savannah Joy Aho of Lyman and Tiara (Clayton) Pakkala of Greer; three brothers, Dave Aho of Taylors; Carl Aho of Greenville; Jeff Aho of Rindge, NH; ten sisters, Donna Coponen of Greer, Ruthie Somero of Greer, Gladys Sauvola of Greer, Phyllie Sauvola of Rindge, NH, Judy Kinnunen of Goldendale, WA, Barbie Hammer of Lyman, Lori Hilman of Greer; Eunie West of Greer; Amy Sauvola of Greer; Mary Kinnunen of Greer; five grandsons, Darrien, Ethan, Ryan, Garret and Carson; nine granddaughters, Ashley, Shaun, Hope, Danielle, Nevaeh, Evonie, Madeline, Shekinah and Mariah and five great-grandchildren, Evelyn, Isla, Levi, Kyzer and Axel.

Fratt was predeceased by two sons, Casey and Lando Matti Aho.

Fratt touched many lives with his music, often forming lasting relationships

throughout the years. It's commonly known that if anybody was hurting or in need, guitar in hand, Fratt would go to their bedside or even out into the streets bringing comfort through worship and music. He was quite the world traveler; going out onto many mission fields including to Guatemala, Africa, the Philippines and Vietnam. He was involved in many men's retreats. Fratt believed his love of music was a gift from God and he strove to be obedient to the call.

He was the life of the party but he was no stranger to the hardest parts of life. He was the "go to" when you'd screwed up worse than you ever thought you could. You'd call Fratt.

He'd pull you up out of the trenches and shamelessly tell you about his own just so you knew you weren't alone or weird. He was no stranger to drug addicts, schizophrenics, divorcées, alcoholics, and all kinds of broken people. He'd sit on a bar stool or sit on a church pew and he was comfortable either way. He lifted people.

Fratt struggled with his health, especially in the end, and he experienced many complications, including blindness. In spite of this, his "larger than life" personality touched countless lives and was a shining light even in the darkest of times; and until the end he was still comforting others and showing them the Love of Jesus!

His family was the most important aspect of his life. His kids know his love for them and so do his grandkids and great-grandkids. You could find him on the Harley with his sons or at a tea party with his granddaughters and everything in between. He loved his best friend Debbie, most of all. Their marriage of almost 45 years is a living example of how to love and be loved.

Fratt will be missed by everyone until we join him in Heaven one sweet day.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **15**. 6:00 PM (ET)

Eastside Apostolic Lutheran Church
2200 Mays Bridge Road
Greer, SC 29651

Service

JAN **16**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

CB

“ To Debbie and the family: My heart breaks for you in knowing that Fratt has left your side. You were my precious neighbors many years ago and you, your children (then small) were such a joy and encouragement to me through some tough times I was going through. I have not had any neighbors since you that I have been as close to. . . .and I know the bond was our precious Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. I recently had another precious friend pass, and this is the scripture Holy Spirit gave to me which I hope will comfort and encourage you until you are reunited, "Jesus said to her, 'I am the Resurrection and the Life. He who believes in me, though he may die, he shall live. And whoever lives and believes in me shall NEVER die.'" John 11: 25-26 Fratt is not in your past, but in your future Love & prayers, Carol Byrd



Carol Byrd - February 03, 2021 at 06:34 AM

HC

“ Sending love and prayers to your whole family.that God will give you peace and comfort.
Love
Heidi Carter, Rick and Debbie Hakala's oldest daughter



heidi carter - January 16, 2021 at 09:52 AM

MF

“ Mike & Audrey Henderson and family purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Fratt Aho.



Mike & Audrey Henderson and family - January 15, 2021 at 05:07 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Fratt Aho.



January 15, 2021 at 04:03 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Fratt Aho.



January 15, 2021 at 12:38 PM

GM

“ Glenn & Connie Marthey purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Fratt Aho.



Glenn & Connie Marthey - January 15, 2021 at 11:54 AM

YP

“ *Your Denver Cousins - Sharon, Keith & Paula purchased the Love's Journey for the family of Fratt Aho.*



Your Denver Cousins - Sharon, Keith & Paula - January 15, 2021 at 10:29 AM

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John and Dianne VerPorter - January 15, 2021 at 10:22 AM



“ *Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Fratt Aho.*



January 14, 2021 at 10:01 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Fratt Aho.*



January 14, 2021 at 08:55 PM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Fratt Aho.*



January 14, 2021 at 05:32 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Fratt Aho.*



January 14, 2021 at 05:10 PM



“ *Fratt. Unforgettable. Blessed to know him. One of a kind and kind to everyone. Praying the peace of God which transcends understanding to sustain the hearts of his precious family.*



Larry Lori Lampinen - January 13, 2021 at 11:57 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Fratt Aho.*



January 13, 2021 at 11:56 PM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Fratt Aho.*



January 13, 2021 at 10:33 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Fratt Aho.*



January 13, 2021 at 07:38 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Fratt Aho.*



January 13, 2021 at 07:13 PM



“ *Jeff and Sandra Fuller purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Fratt Aho.*



Jeff and Sandra Fuller - January 13, 2021 at 05:55 PM



“ *Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Fratt Aho.*



January 13, 2021 at 03:21 PM



“ *Don Hoard and family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Fratt Aho.*



Don Hoard and family - January 13, 2021 at 01:22 PM