



Charles Vincent Gouveia

January 9, 1962 - March 16, 2022

Charles (Charlie) Vincent Gouveia, 60, passed away peacefully March 16, 2022, after a lengthy battle with frontotemporal degeneration (FTD). He was born January 9, 1962, in Redwood City, California, and grew up loving photography and music, leading him to work as a photographer, personal assistant, and tour manager for several prominent touring artists in the '80s through the early '00s.

His late maternal grandfather, George Tyler, was a rancher in Mason County, so between that and music, Charlie grew up eager to come to Texas. In 1998 he moved from Santa Cruz, California to Austin, Texas, as road manager for an artist based there. He soon met a graphic designer on a local music project, and they married in August 2001. In 2005, he parlayed his touring and management skills into logistics for Apple Computer. Charlie continued to support and enjoy live music here and in his "soul hometowns" of New Orleans and Lafayette, Louisiana, and Macon, Georgia, as long as he could. He was also very proud to have some of his photography appear in Ken Burns's "Country Music: An Illustrated History," "Tales from the Tour Bus," and various websites, merchandise, and press materials over the years.

He is survived by his wife, Lisa Gouveia, of Austin; son, Samuel Tyler Ryan Gouveia, of Santa Cruz, California; dozens of relatives in the Bay Area, northwest Washington, and Hawaii; many, many friends around the world; and his beloved cats Miles and Widget. He is preceded by most of his favorite musicians and by his father, Francis V. Gouveia, and grandfather, Manuel Gouveia, who both taught him to stay cool and strong in the face of anything and to take pride in his Portuguese and Hawaiian roots.

Charlie adamantly did not want a traditional funeral. He insisted on an informal gathering where people can listen to his favorite music and tell funny stories about him. And, yes, of course he left a carefully curated playlist for it. Plans are underway for that gathering.

In lieu of flowers, Charlie and Lisa ask to consider donating to TheAFTD.org or to Hospice Austin Christopher House. They would especially like to thank Hospice Austin, Lori Ray Tripp, Martin Guillot, Deb Austin, and the FTD North Austin Support Group for all their love and invaluable support. We are heartbroken but Charlie is now free, and as his favorite Allman Brothers song says: “The road goes on forever...”

Tribute Wall



“ *Charles Vincent Gouveia*

October 05, 2023 at 10:58 AM



“ *Charles Vincent Gouveia*

October 04, 2023 at 06:25 PM



“ *Charles Vincent Gouveia*

September 26, 2023 at 10:57 PM



“ *I knew Chuck in high school. He was country before country was cool. He was a really funny guy and always popular with the girls. I still think of him when I hear his funny names for cowboy boots. He was a talented photographer and artist. I lost touch with him after high school and always wondered what became of him. I am glad to hear that he followed his passions and made a good career of it. I always hoped to see him at a reunion, but never saw him. I wish we could have reconnected as adults. Richard Di Giacomo.*

Richard Di Giacomo - May 01, 2022 at 10:10 PM

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“ Here are some photos of Charlie over the years...



Lisa Gouveia - March 25, 2022 at 03:43 PM

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Lisa Gouveia - March 25, 2022 at 03:37 PM

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“ My favorite memory of Charlie??-- All the great times on the road all those years, and always trying to make things right for all of us-- making sure we had good rooms in the town we were playing -- taking care of things, finding guitar strings - getting us food in the middle of the night - and always smiling. I'm very proud and humbled to know him and work with him. I will miss you buddy. Rest in Peace.

Billy Dee - March 24, 2022 at 09:02 PM



“ Charlie and I met about 10 years ago and became close friends . We both shared the love of music and good people . Thank you for being my friend Charlie and may you rest in peace . I will see you when this shit-show is over , until then keep them playing down yonder .



Carlton Covey - March 23, 2022 at 05:53 PM

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“ Lisa and family, my heart is with you all. Blessings.

Dorene Ray - March 23, 2022 at 02:18 PM