



## Verne K. Smith

May 8, 1946 - January 12, 2011

### Rockford's Biggest Rock Fan

Verne K. Smith, 64 of Rockford died on January 12, 2011. He was born on May 8, 1946 in Muskegon, MI. Preceded in death by his parents, Julia and Stanley Domkowski. Verne was a fixture of the local music scene. During more than three decades, Verne attended hundreds, if not thousands, of shows and concerts put on in the Rockford area by local and national bands. In 2001, the Rockford Area Music Industry named Verne "the biggest music fan of all time." He was a client of the ARC of Winnebago, Boone and Ogle Counties. Survived by his most trusted friend, Dave (Sally) Giamalva and his coordinator at the ARC, Pat (Ted) Kline as well as the many friends, fans and bands that he so enthusiastically supported.

A funeral service will be held on Friday, January 21, 2011 at 10 am at Heartland Community Church, 1280 South Alpine Rd. Rockford, with visitation one hour prior to the time of service. Additional visitation hours on Thursday, January 20 from 5-8 pm at Heartland. Interment in Calvary Cemetery. After the interment, a Memorial Gathering will be held at Whiskeys Road House, 3207 N. Main St. Rockford. Per Verne's wishes, memorials may be made in his name to the ARC, at 1222 East State Street Rockford, IL 61104. Grace Funeral & Cremation Services is assisting with arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## Calvary Cemetery

8616 W State Road  
Rockford, IL 61088

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 20. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Heartland Community Church  
1280 South Alpine Road  
Rockford, IL

## Visitation

JAN 21. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Heartland Community Church  
1280 South Alpine Road  
Rockford, IL

## Service

JAN 21. 10:00 AM (CT)

Heartland Community Church  
1280 South Alpine Road  
Rockford, IL

# Tribute Wall



“ Grace Funeral & Cremation Services created a Webcast in memory of Verne K. Smith



Grace Funeral & Cremation Services - November 04, 2014 at 11:19 AM

CB

“ Christine B. lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith



Christine B. - March 03, 2011 at 08:52 AM

CB

*Vern was such a friendly, gentle human being. I wish there were more people like him in this world. Bless you Vern, you will be missed. Always in my thoughts, Chris B.*

Christine B. - March 03, 2011 at 08:54 AM

WL

“ Verne and I had crossed paths many times in the time I knew him.. I originally met him years ago when I had a part time job at the Metro Center... But had seen him at every concert I had ever been to.. He really loved music more than anything I could imagine.. And was easy to get a long with, would listen to or talk about anything.. I'm really going to miss crossing paths and talking with Verne.. He was a really cool guy to know and hang out with... I really do feel blessed and privileged to have known him.. He will be missed by many people...



*Verne, I'll miss ya man... Rock on forever brother...*

William Lund - February 23, 2011 at 12:29 AM

SB

“ Sharon Buazard lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith



Sharon Buazard - February 06, 2011 at 06:22 PM

VV

“ Vicki (Indian Village) sent a virtual gift in memory of Verne K. Smith



Vicki (Indian Village) - January 25, 2011 at 10:24 PM

DP

“ 5 files added to the album Photos



Dalton Annette Poff - January 21, 2011 at 04:25 PM

SS

“ Keep on dancing Vern! love always, shelly

shelly sheffield - January 21, 2011 at 09:00 AM



“ 1 file added to the album Tribute Wall



Diane Long - January 19, 2011 at 11:30 AM



*Correction, this picture is 18 years old.*

**Diane Long** - January 19, 2011 at 11:34 AM

**Dan Blaser**

“ *I will miss seeing you out Verne. It was my pleasure to have known you. RIP and rock on, Blaz*

**Dan Blaser** - January 19, 2011 at 10:04 AM

**Jr Walker**

“ *Jr Walker lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith*



**Jr Walker** - January 19, 2011 at 03:15 AM

**Kristen Freeman**

“ *Kristen Freeman lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith*



**Kristen Freeman** - January 18, 2011 at 05:37 PM

**TJ**

“ *I met Verne 10 years ago at The Barn when Bare Bones was playing their yearly gig. He was always terribly sweet and he loved live music more than any other person I have had the honor to meet. Verne, I know the universe is tuning up for you!!!!*

**Tina Joesten** - January 18, 2011 at 12:44 PM

**RA**

“ *Ruth Alejos lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith*



**ruth alejos** - January 18, 2011 at 10:43 AM



Cassandra Winters

“ *Cassandra Winters lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith*



Cassandra Winters - January 18, 2011 at 08:07 AM



BC

“ *I gave My Friend Vern a ride home so many times i can't count. He came to see me play in every band i ever played in. He was a great man, true to the end music fan forever..*

Brian Carter - January 18, 2011 at 01:12 AM



Diane Long

“ *Chase Sherman was added to the Family Tree.*

Diane Long - January 18, 2011 at 12:20 AM



Diane Long

“ *Kyli Taylor was added to the Family Tree.*

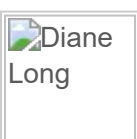
Diane Long - January 18, 2011 at 12:18 AM



Diane Long

“ *Linda Taylor was added to the Family Tree.*

Diane Long - January 18, 2011 at 12:17 AM



Diane Long

“ *Brandi Sherman was added to the Family Tree.*

Diane Long - January 18, 2011 at 12:14 AM



Diane Long

“ *Diane Hocking Long was added to the Family Tree.*

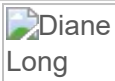
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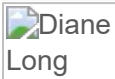
“ *Richard Jerry Hocking was added to the Family Tree.*

Diane Long - January 18, 2011 at 12:11 AM



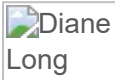
“ Verne K Smith was added to the Family Tree.

Diane Long - January 18, 2011 at 12:09 AM



“ Chase Sherman was added to the Family Tree.

Diane Long - January 17, 2011 at 11:58 PM



“ Kyli Marie Taylor was added to the Family Tree.

Diane Long - January 17, 2011 at 11:56 PM



“ Richard Jay Hocking was added to the Family Tree.

Diane Long - January 17, 2011 at 11:47 PM

JS

“ Jackie Smith lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith



jackie smith - January 17, 2011 at 11:32 PM

JT

“ Jenn Tate lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith



Jenn Tate - January 17, 2011 at 11:13 PM

TO

“ Tory lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith



Tory - January 17, 2011 at 11:06 PM

TH

“ Thank you for showing me how not to care what others think and to forget about all my troubles and feel the music and just let the music move me. May you be stomping to your favorite tunes in heaven...”

T Hook - January 17, 2011 at 10:38 PM

NA

“ Nick Andrews lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith



Nick Andrews - January 17, 2011 at 10:16 PM

LL

“ Lisa Lines lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith



Lisa Lines - January 17, 2011 at 10:08 PM

A  
Shawntayne  
Frederick

“ We should always take the time to remember the ones we've lost! They're the ones who have changed our lives and made us who we are today! Many crazy nights lots of good times, see you at the big show up on that stage you will be bringing light!



A Shawntayne Frederick - January 17, 2011 at 09:12 PM



“ Mike Dye lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith



Mike Dye - January 17, 2011 at 08:51 PM

RO

“ Thank you, Verne, for all the dances, all the applause and all the love you shared with all of us!



Rebecca Osterberg - January 17, 2011 at 01:45 PM

JP

“ I remember taking Vern home after we (420) would play a show - then talking to so many other musicians that had done the same thing - for a time I was in a band called Driving Vern - because all of us had driven Verne home at least once. He came to our practice once and came to a show. Everywhere I saw him I always made a point to say hello - be it from my car window as I passed by, or greeting him at a show - he was a kind hearted man that loved music more than most musicians I know. Verne, thank you for showing me the true meaning of a "fan". See you on the other side!

John Pond - January 17, 2011 at 12:08 PM

MM

“ This is to Vern from all of the gang, years ago that hung out with you at "Maggies Pub" back in the mid 70's!  
The party was always at Maggies as long as Vern was there. We all should only hope that in our passing we are remembered, and have touched as many lives as Vern has.  
Happy Trails Vern, until we meet again...

Mary Manarchy-Davies - January 17, 2011 at 12:01 PM

ED

“ Eric Drager lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith



Eric Drager - January 17, 2011 at 10:17 AM

RJ

“ Rick Jones lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith



Rick Jones - January 17, 2011 at 09:04 AM

PP

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Pistol Pete - January 17, 2011 at 04:20 AM

PP

“ Pistol Pete lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith



Pistol Pete - January 17, 2011 at 04:19 AM

PP

“ No matter rain, cold, or snow, Verne always made it out to the gigs. He would always tell me "Pete, you and Bullet and Harlan Jefferson are my favorite bands." Many nights we drove him home or arranged a ride so he wouldn't have to walk. He's in heaven now with all of the musical legends he loved so much. No more cold nights to get home or scrimping to save money for a concert. Now he can just fly! Verne was a true blue music lover and friend. I will think of him everytime I play Voodoo Chile or Red House (his 2 favorite requests). I promise to rock 'em hard in his honor. God Bless you Verne,, playing Rockford won't be the same without you. Much love to your family. I am proud to say you are my friend.....  
Pistol Pete

Pistol Pete - January 17, 2011 at 04:19 AM



“ *Diane Long lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith*



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**Diane Long** - January 16, 2011 at 10:03 PM



“ *Wow, Verne was my Uncle and I am truly amazed as I read your comments. I always knew he loved music, he scraped together every dime to buy records. I too am thrilled to know how many lives he touched. Hope you find great rock in heaven!!!*

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**Diane Long** - January 16, 2011 at 10:02 PM

BR

“ *Just wanted to say how wonderful it is to read everyone's comments about my Great Uncle Verne. It is so heartwarming to know how much he was loved, appreciated and will be missed. My best memory of him was the time he took me to my first concert ever, I was 11 years old and we went to Chicago to see my heart-throb at the time, Rick Springfield, he was always listening to music. Rock On Uncle Verne!!*

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**Brandi** - January 16, 2011 at 09:37 PM

BR

“ *Brandi lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith*



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**Brandi** - January 16, 2011 at 09:29 PM



“ *Troy Oakley lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith*



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**Troy Oakley** - January 16, 2011 at 06:53 PM



“ Kimberly Jones lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith



Kimberly Jones - January 16, 2011 at 06:49 PM



“ The first time I met Vern was at Blue Suede Shoes he danced the soles off his shoes that night. Always a smile with a wave or hello. May you find peace Vern and new music to dance to.



Tanya Vereecken Thompson - January 16, 2011 at 06:20 PM



“ Rest Ez lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith



Rest Ez - January 16, 2011 at 06:03 PM



“ Ronnie Owens lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith



Ronnie Owens - January 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ I had seen Verne at pretty much every bar in town as long as it was rockin....He always, always had a smile on his face....I bet he is singing for his own band right now...RIP  
Ron Owens.

Ronnie Owens - January 15, 2011 at 11:59 PM



“ *I remember dancing at Blues' Tap with Verne at RIPT gigs....and at many other places as well.....he was such a sweet spirit, and a total Super Fan of Rockford music.....*



Heidi Huntress - January 15, 2011 at 09:29 PM



“ *VERN WAS A MAN WHO SHOWED HIS SUPPORT FOR MUSIC AS WELL AS ALL THE MUSICIANS IN THE STATELINE AREA ... A MUSICIAN WITHOUT AN INSTRUMENT... YOU WILL BE MISSED OLD FRIEND ....*

*SEE YA IN THE FRONT ROW KIDDO .....*

*JOE GAGS*

Joseph Gagliano - January 15, 2011 at 09:14 PM



“ *Joseph Gagliano lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith*



Joseph Gagliano - January 15, 2011 at 09:10 PM

BG

“ *Brett Geiger lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith*



Brett Geiger - January 15, 2011 at 01:51 PM

BM

“ *I grew up in the neighborhood with Verne and loved running into him at various shows from time to time. Gods' heavenly choir is now enjoying the biggest, greatest, fan ever. God bless you, Verne, your memory lives on every time one of your stories is told.*

Becky - Mernack - January 15, 2011 at 11:22 AM

PD

“ *Peggy Duerksen lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith*



Peggy Duerksen - January 15, 2011 at 08:47 AM

SS

“ *Shari Sulser lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith*



Shari Sulser - January 14, 2011 at 02:24 PM

BB

“ *Verne was always the life of the party. He always made our nights at the Stables memorable. RIP ! You will be missed by all who knew you.*

Bobbie Berkley - January 14, 2011 at 12:52 PM

BB

“ *Bobbie Berkley lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith*



Bobbie Berkley - January 14, 2011 at 12:46 PM

Jackie  
Slade  
Heinzman

“ *Every Sunday night many years back it was out to the Stables for my friends and I to see Bullet and Verne was always there out on the dance floor!! I think he was half the reason the dance floor stayed packed!! RIP Verne you were a great soul!*

Jackie Slade Heinzman - January 14, 2011 at 12:37 PM

TC

“ *? First time I met & saw Verne was at Endless Nights, upstairs from Rock River Deli which was on State & Madison Street. I was there to see RIGHT MIND play & VERNE got up onstage & started to dance! My condolences to everyone who knew him. May you dance 4-ever in Heaven my friend ?*

Tiffany Creel - January 14, 2011 at 11:49 AM

MA

“ One of my memories of Verne was at a Pimps show in front of Kryptonite and Stu sang a song with Vernes jacket on While Verne was dancing on stage, LMAO I thought ole Verne was gonna buy it right there, having a blast and on top of the world! I'll miss seeing him at EVERY show.

Mark - January 14, 2011 at 08:17 AM

KJ

“ Keri Jackson lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith



Keri Jackson - January 14, 2011 at 04:52 AM

KJ

“ You will be missed Verne-you were one of Rockfords icons for sure!

Keri Jackson - January 14, 2011 at 04:52 AM

JM

“ I was Vern's bartender and waitress years ago. Loved waiting on him as he always had a smile on his face. Rest in peace Vern---you will be missed!



Jill Miles - January 13, 2011 at 10:09 PM

TN

“ Toby Niedermeier lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith



Toby Niedermeier - January 13, 2011 at 10:01 PM



“ I remember seeing Vern a lot of different gigs. Especially years ago when we use to play out @ the Stables. He was definatley a staple in the Local Music Scene. One of the biggest suporters, He was one hell of a nice guy. Really gonna miss him. RIP Vern. Your now Rockin with all my Heroes in Heaven. Tell Hendrix and Stevie Ray Hi.



Rick Aronica - January 13, 2011 at 09:50 PM



“ I've played in bands for 25 years...Vern has come to all of my bands shows..Mirrored Image..For Christs Sake...Motor Mouth..Fluid Oz..Agent Zero..he is ...and will always be the greatest music fan this area has ever seen!!! Cheers to a great man!! You will be missed!

jason williams - January 13, 2011 at 09:38 PM



“ Years ago i ran shooter bar at the Stables (for Bruce and Cindy) Vern was one of our favorites he will be rememberd for life rip buddy missed for life Bullet rocks but it wont be the same seeing them with out you xoxoxo



Sarah - January 13, 2011 at 09:26 PM



“ Deb Ford lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith



Deb Ford - January 13, 2011 at 09:25 PM



“ I remember seeing Verne rockin' out, dancing & lip syncing every word at the Waterfront and numerous clubs in town. He enjoyed his ICU, Ript, Sarcoma, Stronghold, Xanax and even the Goodyear Pimps.....Rockin Rockford will never be the same without you. R.I.P. Verne

Shawn Mullendore - January 13, 2011 at 09:20 PM

PA

“ I remember playing a gig at Bar 3 and noticing that Vern was one of the last people still there, so my wife and I offered him a ride home since it was pretty cold out. His only stipulation was that we stop at Uncle Nick's for some grub which was fun. We had a great conversation about all the cool bands he was into and you could tell that his passion for music was as strong as any musician's. You would be hard-pressed to find another music fan in Rockford that supported live music as much as he did. It just won't be the same without him and he will be missed by all.

Pablo Alcaraz - January 13, 2011 at 08:40 PM

LA

“ I'll always remember my last dance with Verne. He was an awesome person and every time I saw him he told me that whatever band happened to be playing was good but his all-time favorite was "BULLET"! :)



Lisa Alcaraz - January 13, 2011 at 08:31 PM

ML

“ Megan Lincoln lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith



megan lincoln - January 13, 2011 at 08:18 PM

Michele  
Beilke

“ Verne, you rockstar. You'll be so very missed. I'm sure you're having a ball on the other side. Peace and love to you always.

Michele Beilke - January 13, 2011 at 08:08 PM

DR

“ Thank you Vern for all the happiness you give to us...You will forever be in our hearts...Rock on...



Debbie Rainwater - January 13, 2011 at 08:00 PM

DM

“ Remember gabbing with Verne about Nugent, BOC and many more. Saw him at shows from the 70's up to his benefit at Whiskey's. God Bless this kind soul!

Dr. Mality - January 13, 2011 at 07:45 PM

CF

“ Chad Ashley Ford sent a virtual gift in memory of Verne K. Smith



Chad Ashley Ford - January 13, 2011 at 07:37 PM

CF

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Chad Ashley Ford - January 13, 2011 at 07:29 PM

BM

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Brian Milo - January 13, 2011 at 07:29 PM

CO

“ Chuck Ohman lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith



Chuck Ohman - January 13, 2011 at 07:25 PM

CO

Vern was the face of Rockford Music and what a great guy to chat with!!

Chuck Ohman - January 13, 2011 at 07:26 PM

DD

“ Dawn D lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith



Dawn D - January 13, 2011 at 07:16 PM

JS

“ Jim Tracy Smith lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith



Jim Tracy Smith - January 13, 2011 at 06:40 PM

TM

“ Vern u will be truly missed at the pimps shows never forget this summer u on stage dancing away.....I know u r dancing in heaven now.....sincerly ty

ty maurer - January 13, 2011 at 06:36 PM

DH

“ I can't say that I knew Vern too well, but I do know that his pleasant aoura will be missed @ local shows, he was always smiling, dancing and not bothering a soul <3 he will be missed!!

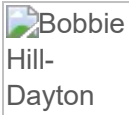
Denise Henry - January 13, 2011 at 06:32 PM



“ verne was the greatest person i ever knew he never thought about who was watching him when he danced!! he loved the music it filled his soul and it was the one thing that made him happy!!!the bullet band has been a phenominal part of vernes life and they could not of had a greater fan!!! all my prayers go out to vernes family and friends ...he always danced with me at the bars waterfront and many other venue that we both attended...he dancing his way to heaven!!



Brenda Foster - January 13, 2011 at 06:14 PM



“ 1 file added to the album *Tribute Wall*



**Bobbie Hill-Dayton** - January 13, 2011 at 06:10 PM



*Vern & The Pimps*

**Bobbie Hill-Dayton** - January 13, 2011 at 06:12 PM



*i seen this video on vernes facebook page & i think it is a awesome video of showing how big of heart vern had for music...he will never be forgotten*

**moe** - January 13, 2011 at 08:17 PM



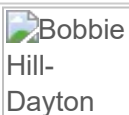
*My Uncle Vern*

**Diane Long** - January 16, 2011 at 03:18 PM



*Please repost this video, it is unavailable*

**Diane Long** - January 19, 2011 at 11:35 AM



“ *Bobbie Hill-Dayton lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith*



**Bobbie Hill-Dayton** - January 13, 2011 at 05:54 PM



“ *If the music was playin, Vern was smilin! Vern the music scene in Rockford will miss you.RIP*

**Jim Julin** - January 13, 2011 at 05:49 PM

Pam  
Kisling

“ Pam Kisling lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith



Pam Kisling - January 13, 2011 at 05:33 PM

WS

“ Willis Smith lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith



Willis Smith - January 13, 2011 at 05:28 PM

Amy  
Berogan

“ Amy Berogan lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith



Amy Berogan - January 13, 2011 at 05:25 PM

CR

“ It wasn't a Rock show unless Verne was there!!!!  
Chris Ruzic-MIND DROP

Chris Ruzic - January 13, 2011 at 05:19 PM

SJ

“ Sherri Jones lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith



Sherri Jones - January 13, 2011 at 05:11 PM

SJ

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Sherri Jones - January 13, 2011 at 05:10 PM

SJ

*oops two yrs ago lol*

Sherri Jones - January 13, 2011 at 05:20 PM

JM

“ Thanks Vern for all the support to the Rockford music scene much love may your spirit Rock N Roll brother



Jason local musician - January 13, 2011 at 05:10 PM

TL

“ Tim Beth Larson lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith



Tim Beth Larson - January 13, 2011 at 05:06 PM

M&

“ My husband and I had a few opportunities to drive Verne home after CherryBowl closed and we'd always let him chose where to eat. He liked Uncle Nicks..... 1 gyro, 1 fry, a large pop and an order of onion rings (for later - haha) Our sympathy to the family (both blood and extended through-out Rockford) Let's cherish the memories and his smile.

M & - January 13, 2011 at 04:55 PM

Christi  
Collins

“ *Christi Collins lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith*



Christi Collins - January 13, 2011 at 04:52 PM

Bethany  
Hopkins

“ *Verne lived life the way he wanted to, and he made no regrets for who he was. It was a joy to know you, Verne. May you keep on rockin' up in heaven, Buddy!*



Bethany Hopkins - January 13, 2011 at 04:21 PM

JW

“ *Everytime I seen Vern he was always in his brown tassled jacket. He was a very dedicated band follower. He was a super man who was nice to everyone he met-Vern you will be missed Buddy. I can see you now dancing to the harps high in the sky. God rest your soul.*



Jennifer Wenger - January 13, 2011 at 04:12 PM

Heather  
Morgan  
Nicholson

“ *Heather Morgan Nicholson lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith*



Heather Morgan Nicholson - January 13, 2011 at 04:05 PM



“ *I will always remember Verne being at the shows and having a great time dancing around like he hadn't a care in the world. He always had a smile on his face, and it was contagious!  
You may be gone, but you will never be forgotten in the hearts of everyone who knew you!  
See you on the other side - and I bet you'll still be dancing!*

Pam Mallicoat Castro - January 13, 2011 at 04:03 PM



“ Pam Mallicoat Castro lit a candle in memory of Verne K. Smith



Pam Mallicoat Castro - January 13, 2011 at 03:59 PM



“ How sad. He was a true Bullet Fan and wonderful person. He will be greatly missed for sure. RIP my friend!

Dani Cornwell - January 13, 2011 at 03:37 PM



“ Vern u were a fun guy to be around an u'll be missed may u R.I.P. my friend i'll see u on the other side friend !!!!

Anthony Tony Arco - January 13, 2011 at 03:32 PM



“ My Favorite Memory of Vern is from 20 years ago Watching Him Dance His Butt Off in the Cage at Blue Suede Shoes!



Arnie Schmoll - January 13, 2011 at 03:31 PM



“ I remember Vern tearing up the dance floor at the Stables, dancing to Bullet pretty much every weekend. That was some 15 years ago. Rest In Peace

sandy slade - January 13, 2011 at 03:24 PM

BH

“ Vern was always there supporting the local music scene.....But sometimes at the end of the night he decided a walk home from Stables Lounge, was just a hop, skip, and a jump!.....Well getting together cab fair, or getting Wade and the guys from Bullet, for a trip home is the least we could of done for "Rockford's greatest Fan" And we always did enjoy the Ice cream cake for his birthday, went great with beer!.....Name one person, that has made such an impact to the Music world in Rockford..... Vern, was Vern...He's already missed.....I don't see him resting in peace, I see him Rocking on forever, no naps, no long walks home, no pain, and just maybe there's Johnny Walker Red in heaven.....We loved ya.....Brad and Rhonda Henry

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**Brad Rhonda Henry** - January 13, 2011 at 03:07 PM