



Craig B. Cousino

March 10, 1958 - December 17, 2015

Craig Browning Cousino passed away peacefully on Thursday, December 17, 2015 in his home at Sunshine in Maumee, Ohio. He lived 57 years made full by his extended Sunshine family and loving family. Craig was born in Toledo Hospital on March 10, 1958 to Ralph Emmett Cousino and Carolyn Steinhauer Cousino.

Craig has now joined his loving father and step-mother Betty Jean with our Lord in Heaven. He is survived by his mother, brother Brent (Pam), sister Suzanne Whitaker (David), nephews Will and Neal Cousino and niece Juliet Whitaker.

His life was lived with many challenges from Tuberous Sclerosis, yet he befriended and won the hearts of all who met him. His strong spirit and fondness for relationships made him one that was appreciated and loved. Craig showed his appreciation for those around him by his warm touch, a big smile, or a shout of joy. He had the good fortune to participate in many outings with his Sunshine family, including trips to the Toledo Mud Hens and Walleye games and most recently the Lights Before Christmas at the Toledo Zoo. Craig fought the valiant fight for all his years, not letting his disability prevent his enjoyment of life. Yet in the last year and a half, the side effects of his Tuberous Sclerosis intensified. His last week was spent in the home he loved in the care of true angels of this earth – the team supporting the Castle home at Sunshine. He and his family are eternally grateful for the faith inspired love and care led by his home manager, Carrie Steward, and nurse, Pam Rafferty.

They and countless other members of the Sunshine family went far above and beyond the call of duty to make his last days comfortable and peaceful.

One can only imagine what successes Craig would have achieved without his disability. His father was an engineer, inventor, and entrepreneur who helped grow a successful family business, assisted with pioneering patents in the eight-track music industry, and ultimately enjoyed a 25 year career with Capitol Records in Hollywood culminating with the position of VP of technology for the entire EMI Worldwide organization.

His mother was a devoted teacher in the Toledo Public Schools for 30 years and his brother started a consulting business inspired by Craig and Sunshine to support providers of services to individuals with developmental disabilities. This business, now part of Plante Moran, serves clients throughout Ohio and the U.S.

A memorial visitation for family and friends will be held on January 14 from 4-7 p.m. at Coyle Funeral Home, 1770 S. Reynolds Rd. A memorial service at St. Michael's in the Hills Church will be held January 15 at 10 a.m.

The family requests that any memorials be sent to Sunshine Foundation, Inc., 7223 Maumee-Western Rd., Maumee, OH 43537.

Please leave a condolence message for the family at CoyleFuneralHome.com.

Cemetery Details

Woodlawn

1502 W Central Ave
Toledo, OH 43606

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

JAN 14. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Coyle Funeral and Cremation Services
1770 S. Reynolds Road
Toledo, OH 43614
(419) 865-1295
<https://www.coylefuneralhome.com>

Memorial Service

JAN 15. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St Michaels In The Hills
4718 Brittnay Rd
Ottawa Hills, OH 43606

Tribute Wall

RZ

“ I remember working with Craig at Sunshine back in the early years I think it was in the 70's or early 80's. My condolences to the Family.



Rita Zellet-Fournier - January 11, 2016 at 03:39 AM

AD

“ Dear, dear Carolyn,
I know you will miss Craig. He seemed like a very joyful man. I learned many thing from the obituary.
You are both in my prayers.
God bless,
Aggie Drury

Aggie Drury - December 23, 2015 at 09:48 PM

WW

“ Sorry to hear about the passing of Craig. I know it will take time for the pain of his passing to ease. May God Bless all of your family. Bill Waters

William R. Waters - December 21, 2015 at 03:37 PM

CS

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your family at the loss of Craig. May the memories you have help you through this difficult time.

Craig, Cathy, Sarah and Becca Sheets

Cathy Sheets - December 21, 2015 at 01:47 PM

JS

“ *May the family of Craig receive comfort and love at this trying time. You wrote a beautiful tribute to him. From Nick Steves and his mom, Jennifer.*

Jennifer Steves - December 21, 2015 at 11:32 AM