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Site Administrator

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Today would have been Bruce's 56th birthday. For all of us who knew and loved him, this will be a very difficult day. We'll be sad that he is no longer with us, but grateful for the time that he graced our lives. It's not easy for me to express my feelings in writing because I'm not creative. Instead, I have to borrow words from the person who wrote this beautiful song for Josh Groban.

***In Loving Memory of Bruce David Gary  
April 7, 1951 to August 22, 2006***

*Who can say for certain ... maybe you're still here?  
I feel you all around me ... your memory is so clear  
Deep within the stillness ... I can hear you speak  
You're still an inspiration ... can it be  
That you are mine forever love  
And you are watching over me from up above?  
Are you gently sleeping here inside my dream?  
And isn't faith believing all power can't be seen?  
As my heart still holds you just one beat away  
I cherish all you gave me every day  
And I believe that angels breathe  
And that love will live on and never leave  
Fly me up to where you are beyond the distant star  
I wish upon tonight to see you smile  
If only for awhile to know you're there  
A breath away's not far to where you are*

**Tufnuff**  
Member

Posted: Sat Apr 07, 2007 9:53 am

It's the beauty of remembrance that keeps our souls alive and as long as we hold the thoughts of yesterday inside our hearts and share them with others, they will always be as fresh as the day they became a memory.

Hold close what is dear and always take a few minutes to remember ... for one day it will be you and I who are being thought of.

Rest in peace brother because even though I didn't know you personally ... I knew of you.

**Tom**  
Member

Posted: Sat Apr 07, 2007 1:04 pm

Way, way too young to lose such a creative artist and brilliant drummer.

Bruce is in my thoughts frequently. He is truly missed.



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**Carol**  
Member



Posted: Sat Apr 07, 2007 5:27 pm

Thank you Kathie for the borrowed poem. It is wonderful.

After not being able to sleep well, I woke up this morning, knowing why when I looked at the calendar. I didn't know Bruce personally, but for some reason, he is quite often in my thoughts. I feel that we are all connected to one another on some level, so I simply say a prayer for his family and all who loved him.

I believe that everything happens for a reason. We may not know why or agree with it, but it is as it should be.

Bruce, you are truly missed, and I know whoever you are hanging with is giving you the best birthday bash you have ever had.

Thank you for giving us so many years of great drumming.

Happy Birthday.

**Dave Kephart**  
Guest

Posted: Sat Apr 07, 2007 10:23 pm

Wudjagetme4mybirthday Duke?

Same thing I got you last year and the year before that.

Oh yeah, but we already smoked it.

That's okay. I'll be over in a little while.

Duke, why don't you bring over that mid-eighties Tony Williams video and I'll make us DVDs of it. Oh wait, I'm still downloading that Jeff Beck in London concert. Ah, it should be done by the time you get here. Okay. I'll bring that, and speaking of Jeff Beck, I got another cool boot from his last tour in Japan. I'll bring that too, and you can dub it. So do you have "the kind" garbanz, or what? What do you think? Dukie!!

Did you ever fix the cable to your equalizer in the living room? I think so, but why don't you bring that other cable anyhow. I would feel better with a new cable. Hey, it's pretty early, bring your guitar!! Nah, I have to go someplace afterward and I don't want to take my guitar there. We'll watch that new Stones thing you just got. Cool. See ya in a while Duke!!

Yeah. Happy birthday Bruce!! That's the kind of birthdays I remember.

I want them back.