



Tim Mishalanie

January 14, 1961 - October 7, 2009

Tim Mishalanie, professionally known as Tim Mish, age 48, of Utica, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, October 7, 2009.

Born in New Hartford on January 14, 1961, Tim was the son of the late Joseph and Linda (Kilgore) Mishalanie. Raised and educated locally, he attended J.F. Hughes Elementary School and was a 1979 graduate of Utica Free Academy.

Tim was a classically trained professional keyboardist and pianist. A diversified and passionate musician, he was co-founder of BigKrush, performing adult oriented rock. Their music was well renowned even in Europe. His untimely passing has caused a clamorous response from fans throughout the world. Tim did things in his life with great passion, and he was a great and admired friend. A man with a big heart and a charismatic personality, he had the funniest one-liners, and made a “party happen” just by his presence. He also loved the outdoors and could be seen with a cigar and a smile on his face when he was fishing a stream. He was also a golfer and shared the fairways with his brother, Joe, as well as the love of music with his brother, Bob. He was a great cook, and he loved to partake of his culinary creations. Those who knew and loved him can honor his life by keeping a special moment of him in their hearts and continue being his greatest fans by listening to his music.

Tim is survived by his brothers, Robert Mishalanie, Joseph Mishalanie, Jr., and Robert Acquaviva; and his cousins, aunts, and uncles. He also leaves his

bandmates, friends of his sporting events, and a host of friends and fans who were so important to him.

Visitation will be held Wednesday from 4:00-7:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. For those wishing to do so, please consider memorial contributions in Tim's honor to the family to assist them during this difficult time; envelopes will be available at the funeral home. Tim's Christian Spirituality will be celebrated by his friends immediately upon the conclusion of visitation. Interment will take place in Calvary Cemetery at the convenience of the family.

Tribute Wall



“ Eannace Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Tim Mishalanie



Eannace Funeral Home, Inc. - October 07, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ I somehow came across this while looking up something on the net. I was shocked. I remember Tim well. He was very outgoing, always had a smile and was a great person. Tim worked with me for a brief time at Midland Records. To Joe and Bob, I am sorry for your loss,##imported-begin##Bob Warzala##imported-end##

February 18, 2010 at 04:53 PM



“ Bob+Jody I just found this out. I'm so sorry for your loss. I'll never forget him. 2510 please call anytime if you'd like to. Cousin Ken 11260 10th.ave.s. seattle. wa 98168 206 335 1962##imported-begin##Ken Proctor##imported-end##

February 06, 2010 at 12:51 AM



“ I was Tim's English and homeroom teacher back at Hughes School in the '70s. He had a mop of hair (I did too), and the biggest smile to go with it. Tim was one of those students that teachers looked forward to having in class. He was bright, good-natured, funny, and enthusiastic. Tim and I kept in touch through Big Apple, softball at 12 North, golf courses, and family gatherings. I know the people who knew Tim were touched by his soul. I will remember the boy and the man with a big smile of my own. Condolences to the whole Mishalanie clan.##imported-begin##Al Sherline##imported-end##

January 23, 2010 at 05:39 PM



“ Always in my heart...thank you for all the laughs.##imported-begin##Nancy Ford##imported-end##

November 11, 2009 at 12:05 AM



“ I sent my girlfriend a text message to wish her a Happy Halloween, her reply.....I thought I would of seen you at Tim's wake... So, Tim, you always did know how to make a shockingly statement....even at the end. I always have and always will think of you and smile or giggle. You could make a bad situation seem like a good time just by being a part of it. Sorry I missed your closing. I cried after the news as I'm sure anyone who knew you did, but then I had a few drinks and remembered your life... Your love and friendship made me a different person. you will always be in my heart. I love you, Love Mary##imported-begin##Mary Caiola LaBella##imported-end##

November 02, 2009 at 07:52 AM



“ Sad to hear such news about someone I haven't seen in almost 20 years. But plenty of great memories listening to him play, and to the sense of humor his story telling always seemed to have. My condolences to his family, friends and fans.##imported-begin##Mark Bonavita##imported-end##

October 20, 2009 at 03:47 AM



“ So sorry for your loss. He will be sadly missed.##imported-begin##Lee & Ami Loomis and family##imported-end##

October 17, 2009 at 12:04 PM



“ Godspeed Mish.....the years of friendship will always remain with me....You left a giant void in this world when you left, but I am thankful for all the memories...and they're all great memories.

“When you remember me, it means that you have carried something of who I am with you, that I have left some mark of who I am on who you are. It means that you can summon me back to your mind even though countless years and miles may stand between us. It means that if we meet again, you will know me. It means that even after I die, you can still see my face and hear my voice and speak to me in your heart. For as long as you remember me, I am never entirely lost”

Frederick Buechner##imported-begin##Mark Cochi##imported-end##

October 16, 2009 at 12:45 PM



“ *Tim-always that smile-It was great working with you at Liberty- you always had a smile and a joke- I will always remember you and that -----grin. Take care buddy and don't forget to take the high road- as we always said.##imported-begin##Cathy Penner##imported-end##*

October 15, 2009 at 08:51 PM



“ *Bob and Jody,*

I am so sorry to learn of the passing of Tim. I will keep you and him in my prays. I would love to catch up with each of you if you feel the same, please send a note to my email above or call me anytime at 916.765.8900.

Kind regards,

John##imported-begin##John H. Mishalanie##imported-end##

October 15, 2009 at 02:31 PM



“ *So Sorry to hear about Tim's passing. He lived next store to my parents for the past few years. Tim loved being on the lake and enjoyed every minute of it. Tim always would walk over to our back deck with a huge smile and a loving heart. My father will miss him the most...they were golfing partners and became great friends. He will be deeply missed!##imported-begin##lindsay gulla##imported-end##*

October 15, 2009 at 08:26 AM



“Denise and I went to Tim's calling hours this afternoon. His brothers Joe and Bob were very gracious in the reception line. Tim's friend Bob Aquaviva was introduced as a "brother" and other members of Tim's band were a tight group. Lynne and Phyllis and my son Eric were the Mishalanies in attendance.

An old friend of Tim's gave a very nice eulogy. He had become a pastor and spoke with a great "Utica" flair. Denise and I were pleased that he went easy on the Jesus stuff and heavy on the "Tim was a wonderful brother/friend stuff". Which was true.

I never actually knew Tim before moving back to Utica in the early 80's. I saw him regularly at Big Apple Music where he worked for many years and where I loved shopping for musical instruments. I would always get the "cousin Tim" price! He came by for a number of birthday and graduation parties and was the diplomat for the "Uncle Joe" portion of our family. He was my insurance man for a couple years until his heart problems persuaded him to find less stressful employment.

I know that he really enjoyed his music. He also was an avid golfer and I saw by the pictures at the service, he loved fishing. I never saw Tim without a smile on his face. I never heard him say a bad word about anyone.

He'll be buried Thursday at 10AM at Calvary Cemetary.

Chuck M.##imported-begin##Chuck Mishalanie##imported-end##

October 14, 2009 at 09:23 PM



“ *Tim and I were closests friends in the last year of his life. We worked together, travelled together, partied together and played music together until the end.*

I have never met a more charming and talented individual in my life - he has everyone at hello without even trying.

God bless Timmy Mish##imported-begin##Douglas Ingalls##imported-end##

October 14, 2009 at 07:54 PM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the family and friends of Tim. It is truly a great loss.##imported-begin##Tammy Daly##imported-end##*

October 14, 2009 at 02:29 PM



“ *Dear Bob, I don't know that you would remember me but you used to come into Donnelly's every once and awhile. You were very nice as was your brother. I am so sorry for you and your family. I just lost my brother this past February and it is brutal. You and your family are in my prayers. May he rest in peace. You can see him on the other side as I am hoping about my brother. Love, Kate##imported-begin##Kate Eichler##imported-end##*

October 14, 2009 at 01:52 PM



“ So very sorry of Tim's passing. I went all through Hughes School & UFA with Tim. I knew he was musically talented, but never knew he made a career of music until now. I will surely purchase some Big Krush. I am anxious to hear the band. I had never ever seen Tim get mad. He was just the easiest going guy & well liked by everyone.

God Bless all his family.

Michael Schwenzfeier##imported-begin##Michael

Schwenzfeier##imported-end##

October 14, 2009 at 01:26 PM



“ Tim Mish you will sadly be missed. You will always be in our hearts and thoughts, truly a great brother musician.##imported-begin##Phil Arcuri & Nancy kenyon##imported-end##

October 14, 2009 at 01:09 PM



“ I am so sorry to see this. Although I didn't know you as an adult, I certainly remember "Bobby, Jody, and Timmy" as children on Rose Place...I know this is hard on all of you, and I'm sorry,##imported-begin##Carol O'Brien Warchol##imported-end##

October 13, 2009 at 09:26 PM



“ Tim, we'll all hear your echos forever. Love and prayers to your family and friends. Love Tim & Colleen Moylan##imported-begin##Tim Moylan##imported-end##

October 13, 2009 at 07:43 PM



“ Although I only knew him from Big Apple Music, Tim was a great man. He will be missed greatly##imported-begin##John Olmstead##imported-end##

October 13, 2009 at 04:17 PM



“ Tim,
You will be Truly Missed.
The memories on Football Sundays with you are too many to count.
It will never be the same
there's always a seat for you with us in Section 248
KG##imported-begin##Kyle Giglio##imported-end##

October 13, 2009 at 04:12 PM



“ One of the best.....##imported-begin##Dan Anthony##imported-end##

October 13, 2009 at 01:17 PM



“ "To live on in the hearts of friends and family is not to die" Timmy, your sprit is forever with us in your ever lasting smile and music.##imported-begin##Joe Restifo##imported-end##

October 13, 2009 at 10:56 AM



“ *Joe and Bob*

Words can't tell of the sadness and loss we feel. Your brother was a great guy and always brought a smile to the room when he entered. Our thoughts and prayers go out to you guys.

Paul and Karen Ferrone##imported-begin##Paul Ferrone##imported-end##

October 13, 2009 at 10:37 AM



“ *Timmy, my cousin, Timmy!!! What a shock to my heart!! You will always be remembered for your HUGE smile on your face always. We had some great times together as kids. My love goes to Bobby & Jody. God Bless you all! Forever your cousin, Kathie##imported-begin##Kathryn Kilgore##imported-end##*

October 12, 2009 at 08:28 PM



“ *All those tuff years of watching the rams together until that great year when they won it all, i'll never forget that day and all the fun we shared. You will be missed and never forgotten!##imported-begin##Erik Strail##imported-end##*

October 12, 2009 at 08:13 PM



“ *hey cousins, so sorry to hear about tim.....if we can do anything please call 725-9081 thanks love renee##imported-begin##Renee Rowlands Basile##imported-end##*

October 12, 2009 at 07:16 PM



“ when i think i tim,i can do nothing but smile,he brought so much joy to this workd,and tim you will be greatly missed by everyone that knew you.thanks you so much for being you and for allowing me the oppritunity for me to be a part of you life. i love you.laney###imported-begin###laney dulan###imported-end##

October 12, 2009 at 03:46 PM



“ my prayers go out to the family and friends of tim mishalanie. tim was a respectful and great person, as well as an unbelievable musician. i remember when tim was in the band chix as well as big krush. he inspired many people and his presense will be missed. RIP Timmy.###imported-begin###Ricky Zumbo###imported-end##

October 12, 2009 at 03:44 PM



“ You were loved and will be greatly missed.###imported-begin###Amy Short###imported-end##

October 12, 2009 at 02:50 PM



“ Timmy, Thank you so much for your kindness, your jokes that were always better than mine, and your awesome friendship, im sorry we never made it back to california to visit like we planned when i lost my weight, there were so many great times we had not only in california but here in new york i am going to miss you brother so much im sorry i never say goodbye, i hope you can hear me now, i love you brother, goodbye my friend. p.s. we will meet again soon!! god bless you!! give jesus a kiss for me and tell him i love him....bye###imported-begin###PATRICK MOCCALDI###imported-end##

October 12, 2009 at 02:33 PM



“ I was surprised and saddened to read of Tim's passing on-line. I remember "Timmy" as a young boy when my buddy Bob and I were close pals. The passage of time always concludes in this inevitable place but I'd like to leave my sincere condolences to Bobby and Joe for their loss. I sure would like to have you contact me when you are able. I am living in southwest Louisiana so I will be unable to pay my respects in person but know that I will say a special prayer for Tim. Your buddy,
John (johnbrady161@yahoo.com)###imported-begin##John Brady###imported-end##

October 12, 2009 at 11:16 AM



“ Tim was hands down one of the greatest guys I ever met. It was impossible to not feel joy just by being in his presence. Talented as he was as a musician - and he was extremely talented - his biggest talent was his capacity for spreading happiness. he was a wonderful, wonderful person. I am stunned by his sudden passing yet can guarantee that Heaven right now is filled with laughter now that Tim's up there cutting everyone up. He will be greatly missed. God bless you, my friend!###imported-begin##Larry Trivieri Jr###imported-end##

October 12, 2009 at 10:49 AM



“ Joe & Bob: My prayers and thoughts are with you at this difficult time. Our family is thinking of you and if there is anything you need or just a shoulder please feel free to call on us. We have been neighbors forever and have shared many good times. love and prayers.

Wendy, Lynn, Diane, Michele, James, Richard, Debra Barry,
Kathryn Norton##imported-begin##Wendy Barry
Hopper##imported-end##

October 12, 2009 at 10:32 AM



“ Tim was a great guy and I am very happy that I had the opportunity to work with him, and even happier we became friends. I will miss him. Thanks for everything man!

Your Friend,
Luke##imported-begin##Luke Gross##imported-end##

October 11, 2009 at 11:12 PM



“ Cuz, I am sad!##imported-begin##Michele Rowlands-Lemieux##imported-end##

October 11, 2009 at 10:26 PM



“ *When I heard today of Tim's passing, nothing else mattered. I felt crippled by shock and deep sadness. Too hard of a thing to grasp. All the memories came flooding back from years ago - high school and beyond. He used to love to poke fun at my Lebanese nose as I did his! His quick wit and huge heart I will remember forever. I am so glad to have been a friend of Timmy's. Have a blast with your new gig Timmy! We all love and miss you!!!imported-begin##Christine Cougan Schram##imported-end##*

October 11, 2009 at 10:04 PM