



## Derrek Barrington

May 8, 1988 - April 11, 2023

It is with the heaviest of hearts that we announce the unexpected passing of Derrek Merrell Barrington on April 11th, 2023, beloved father, son, grandson, brother, nephew, cousin and friend.

Derrek was born May 8th, 1988, in Wenatchee, WA. He grew up in Leavenworth, WA and remained in Leavenworth for much of his adult life. He was an energetic, content and loving young boy and spent much of his childhood surrounded by close family, shaping much of who he was in his later years.

His love for all things beats and music started at an early age and into his adult life. This is something he loved to share with everyone. He spent many hours creating music, something that made Derrek feel whole. There is so much more that we wish Derrek could have done in his life as he was taken far too young.

Derrek is survived by his father and stepmother, Richard and Brenda Barrington, stepfather and mother, Stacy and Louaine Whaley, siblings; Mekense Vargas and Wyatt Whaley, his daughter, Enola Barrington and grandparents, many aunts, uncles, and cousins.

From his humor to his smile, to the music he shared with others, Derrek's presence will live on. We will always cherish the moments of greatest happiness we had with Derrek and be at peace knowing that he is no longer in pain and no longer fighting his demons.

"Words seem so feeble in moments like these. Life is so precious and death

such a thief. The depth of your pain I cannot comprehend, but I'll stand alongside you in the darkness, even in the end. Love is a bond that death cannot part. Gone from our arms, but still held in our hearts."

There will be a private family memorial to be announced at a later date.

# Tribute Wall

ER

“ *erika rosales lit a candle in memory of Derrek Barrington* ”



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**erika rosales** - May 18, 2023 at 11:15 AM

MT

“ *Michelle Tarrant lit a candle in memory of Derrek Barrington* ”



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**Michelle Tarrant** - May 12, 2023 at 10:54 PM

 Staci  
Stevens

“ *The loss of Derrick and his amazing presence in this world is not only heartbreaking but devastating beyond words. Derrick was very dear to my heart. From the first moment I met him, I knew he was special. The conversations that we had over time led me to believe that he was wise beyond his years. He had deep insight and enormous potential to do great things in his life. He had a brilliant sense of humor and a gift for touching people's lives, at least he did mine. I would give anything to be able to have just one more of those conversations with him now. I would tell him I loved him (just like I always did) and I would tell him to keep fighting! My whole heart goes out to his entire family because I know how much he was loved by you all, and I can not begin to imagine the pain you are having to endure. I am going to keep you in my prayers and pray that your hearts will mend as time goes on. Derrick, I love you, my dear friend! I am going to miss you and think of you often, just like I always do! Fly with the angel's sweetheart!*

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**Staci Stevens** - May 01, 2023 at 11:26 AM

 Staci  
Stevens

“ *Staci Stevens sent a virtual gift in memory of Derrek Barrington*



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**Staci Stevens** - May 01, 2023 at 10:33 AM

Staci  
Stevens

“ *Staci Stevens lit a candle in memory of  
Derrek Barrington*



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**Staci Stevens** - May 01, 2023 at 10:32 AM

MV

“ *Mekense Vargas lit a candle in memory of  
Derrek Barrington*



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**Mekense Vargas** - April 25, 2023 at 12:25 PM

VD

“ *Valarie Dave sent a virtual gift in memory of  
Derrek Barrington*



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**Valarie and Dave** - April 18, 2023 at 01:02 PM

LW

“ *Louaine Whaley lit a candle in memory of  
Derrek Barrington*



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**Louaine Whaley** - April 15, 2023 at 11:59 PM

WW

“ Wyatt Whaley lit a candle in memory of Derrek Barrington



Wyatt Whaley - April 15, 2023 at 11:58 PM

WW

“ 5 files added to the tribute wall



Wyatt Whaley - April 15, 2023 at 11:55 PM

LB

“ Lori Bickel sent a virtual gift in memory of Derrek Barrington



Lori Bickel - April 15, 2023 at 12:08 PM

DW

“ *Don Julie Walker lit a candle in memory of Derrek Barrington*



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**Don & Julie Walker** - April 15, 2023 at 11:14 AM

KD

“ *Kumar Marie Castro lit a candle in memory of Derrek Barrington*



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**Kumar & Marie Castro Das** - April 14, 2023 at 06:44 PM

RP

“ *Roberta Pingel lit a candle in memory of Derrek Barrington*



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**Roberta Pingel** - April 14, 2023 at 02:24 PM