

Devon Burgess



EASTHAM — Family and friends are mourning the loss and celebrating the vibrant life of Devon Burgess, who died from an accident on May 2nd.

An adventurous, determined young man, he lived every moment pursuing his multitude of passions, including farming, cycling, horseback riding, hiking, football, travel, education, poetry, music, and most importantly genuine heart to heart connections to so many. Anyone who had the privilege to cross paths with Devon will not easily forget him.

He lived in many places including Eastham, San Diego, Hawaii, Asheville, and London. Most recently, Devon was an intern at Natural Roots, an organic farm in the Berkshires, where he lived in the yurt which he crafted himself with the help of his wonderful friend, Steve.

Devon was a pure spirit who lived a life that few could understand but most would envy. His greatest hope is that human beings will realize the significance of their lives, their ability to make a difference and their connection to the earth.

He leaves his beloved Jennifer O'Donnell of Cambridge, his mother, Leyla Nickerson of W. Barnstable; brother Nathan and his wife, Melissa, their sons, William, Matthew and Benjamin of Dennis; his father, Gary Burgess of Wellfleet; his grandparents, Joe and Dottie Burgess; aunts and uncles and a legion of extended family and genuine friends who loved him for who he was.

A Buddhist memorial service will be held on Thursday, May 13, 1 p.m. at Indian Rock (Hemenway Landing) near Fort Hill in Eastham. A gathering of family and friends will follow at Messina's on Route 6 in Eastham; all are encouraged to bring their instruments and songs, pictures and stories to share in the celebration of Devon's life.

Donations can be made to the Duffy Health Center, 105 Park St., Hyannis, MA, a grassroots organization providing health care and support services to the homeless of Cape Cod.

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