



Paul Tofthøj Jensen

May 13, 2022

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Born September 25, 1955, Vindinge, Denmark

Died May 13, 2022, while living in Morro Bay, CA

Paul looked like what a Viking would look like if he rode a Harley.

Long blond hair tied back, beard graying as he aged, leather jacket and jeans. He had a lifelong fascination with the Vikings who had inhabited the fjord where he grew up in Roskilde, Denmark.

Family legend was that Paul's first word was "America" followed soon thereafter by "motorcycle." Early in life he earned the nick name "Buller".

This was the only name he was known by for any Danish person. He designed, built and re-built motorcycles, and after living in the desert town of Anza, owned a motorcycle shop in Bishop, California. He'd discovered Morro Bay when he and his longtime friend Kurt Carlson first toured the U.S in the 1979, and he moved to the Central Coast in 2016. He found a job at a local appliance shop and was still working part-time after his retirement at the end of 2021. Paul had circles of friends that included car and motorcycle guys, and people he talked to all over town, including the homeless men at a park near where he lived.

Paul was bilingual, ambidextrous, and able to fix almost anything mechanical. One of his crowning achievements was that in 2007 he and Kurt brought a 1950 Vincent motorcycle from a basket case to a running

machine. Development continued and in 2011 they set a new speed record on Bonneville Salt Flats. Paul was a great reader, had a wry sense of humor, and he wrote short stories that reflected his Danish childhood.

Paul is survived by son, John, in Arizona, his mother, Gisela, and his sister, Tatjana, and her children, Pernille and Henrik, in Denmark. Some of Paul's ashes were released near Morro Rock by Kurt, and some have been buried next to his father in Roskilde, Denmark.

Tribute Wall

SW

“ Paul was my step dad and my brothers Johnny father he was a great part of my life and help Build the person I am today. I got most of my core values from him growing up! As looking up his obituary for some closure due to my little brother his son passing away this year I found that they passed away two years apart on the same day May 13 My little brother passed away this year May 13 2024 they both are together now in heaven and watching over us

Sierra Witt - August 14, 2024 at 12:32 AM

JJ

“ Gisela and Tatjana,
I hope you will remember me...I was Paul's girlfriend in Anza and for a couple of years after he moved to Bishop to start the motorcycle shop. You visited him and we got to spend some time together then.



I just learned of Paul's passing today but have no idea what happened. For some reason he popped into my thoughts this morning so I tried looking him up online and found the sad news. I'm so very sorry for your loss.

He broke my heart when he moved away. I have always missed his kindness and sense of humor. He was a sweet, special man and I will not forget him.

Sending you big hugs and much love!

Jaye Jensen

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Jaye Jensen - November 17, 2022 at 06:03 PM

MP

“ I met Paul when he had opened Bishop Choppers at the original Location, and helped move him to the new location at the other end of town, just after moving to town. We formed an emediate friendship. Paul was one of my very closest friends, the best man at my wedding, and I am proud to have called him Brother. Ride Free in Valhalla and keep the shiny side up; We will meet again.

Monty Packard - September 29, 2022 at 07:12 PM

MA

“ My brother from another mother, and the brother I never had, there are no such things as accidents , luck,or wishing in my life only God 🙏 and God brought me and Paul together, He was a amazing friend and person, I will see him again soon in Heaven, but until then I will keep his family and friends in my prayers, I miss him very much, but I still hear his words of wisdom ,see you soon my brother

Mark - July 24, 2022 at 05:53 AM

KB

“ I had the honor and privilege of living next to Paul for two years. During that time, he became my guardian angel and dear friend. We would exchange stories while working in our garages or in his beautiful yard. He was incredibly thoughtful and his kindness knew no bounds. Without asking for anything in return, he would fix my soldering iron, bring me candles when the power went out, bring me soup if I was sick, and roll my trash cans to the street if I forgot. My favorite memory of Paul is a very simple quote that reminds me so much of his spirit. My aunt and I were sitting on my porch joking about her dislike of my Birkenstock sandals. When she asked Paul if he hated them, too, he replied very matter-of-factly, "I don't have time to hate anything." I feel lucky to have known him, and I send my deepest condolences to his family and loved ones. I will miss you, my friend.

Katie B - July 21, 2022 at 06:49 PM

SR

“ I met Paul 3 years ago at Saturday afternoon Morro Bay Farmers Market. He would stop by almost every Saturday. We would chat about current events, him being from Denmark, our last conversation he told me to check the map to see where Denmark is how close to Russia. I was prepared to share what I had learned, but he never came back.

He would talk about his mother and sister in Denmark. He was just a genuinely nice man.

Stephanie Raser

Stephanie Raser - June 25, 2022 at 03:26 PM

GW

“ Paul will be missed by a lot of people. We will miss you from Goofy Graphics.

Gwen - June 25, 2022 at 01:37 PM

GS

“ *Jeg mødte Paul i 2020, da han var i mit køkken og installerede min nye mikrobølgeovn. Da han arbejdede, læste jeg dansk på Duolingo. Jeg hørte hans accent og fortalte ham, at jeg havde brug for ham som min dansklærer. Han var min ven, og jeg savner ham og hans fine sans for humor.*

I met Paul in 2020 when he was in my kitchen installing my new microwave oven. While he was working, I was studying Danish on Duolingo. I heard his accent and told him I needed to hire him as my Danish tutor. He was my friend, and I miss him and his fine sense of humor.

*Gail Jensen Sanford
Morro Bay*

Gail Jensen Sanford - June 24, 2022 at 11:02 AM