

Jamie Barnard RIP 18/8/72 - 22/12/06

Dylan Amey | 10 January 2007

We were best mates & we always will be, we rocked in various bands together & I hope he will keep rockin where ever he is now. Say hi to my mum & dad for me mate, see you someday, love Dyl xxxxxxxx Dylan Amey

Robbo | 10 January 2007

Great memories of Jamie, particularly playing pool with the champ! I always let him win of course. My thoughts with all family and friends of Jamie. RIP mate.

Alex | 11 January 2007

Most people like surprises - not this one!!! I feel a bit numb, he was one of my oldest friends and the front man of probably the best band I've been in. So long old friend, I hope there's a guitar up there you can wrap your arms around. Alex

Joe | 11 January 2007

I've just seen this, on an email from Ian Grant, a sad day, I played with Jamie in a few bands, and quite a few gigs, Reservoir Gods in the Duke etc, and including the Norhtern Lights later on when we were 2 hours from a drive to Nice for a week of gigs, and it got cancelled because someone lost their passport! A good musician, and a pleasure to have played with. RIP mate, Joe

Amy | 11 January 2007

Hello all, wow what an amazing day for an amazing guy, my boy Kyle and I wish Dave, Rose and all the family all our love, hugs and smiles. We all have our own fond memories of Jamie, who we fondly knew as "Barnyard" but I swear I could feel him around today and he finally knows how many people loved him in this chaotic life. God bless him and us all til we meet again!!!
All my love Amy. xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

Ian Grant | 11 January 2007

To Dave and Rose, it's difficult to find appropriate words. But, I'll do my best. We met during Jamie's first or second year I would guess, when I managed Tonge in 1974. Maybe it was 1973. It was the beginning of my career in the music business wasn't it. I remember you both from those days with much fondness. And I will always be grateful for the first link in my musical chain you provided. I have had nothing but admiration for your commitment to music Dave and I know how proud you are of all your offspring's own musical achievements.

So it was with total shock and sadness when I heard the news. Dealing with the passing of a loved one is always very difficult and I can only imagine and probably not come close, to how you both must feel. So, when you are ready Dave give me a call and we'll meet up. If I can be of any assistance at any time, please call. Rose - you did not remember me today because its been a long time and you obviously had a lot to deal with but I just wanted to offer my sympathy and support. Your son would be proud of his parents today. His spirit was with us in St Bartholomew's as was the spirit of rock and roll. God Bless Jamie and both of you and also, if I caught her name right, Yvonne. And of course Shane, Bo & Helen to. Much love to you all. Ian & Debbie Grant (Telephone number with PD)

Tony Butler | 11 January 2007

Dear Dave, I was told about the sad loss of your son from my brother who lives in Brighton who read about it in the paper and my good friend Ian Grant. As a fellow bass player and parent, I was moved to send you my condolences on your sad loss. I do not know you but I feel a kindred spirit. Thinking of you in your moment of grief.

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Mark Nicholson | 11 January 2007

Dear David. We have never met but I'm just writing this quick note to offer my sincere condolences on behalf of myself, The Kooks and The Ordinary Boys on reading about your sad loss in The Argus. Although I don't know you I am aware of everything you have done in and around the music scene from being involved myself and my relationship with Ian Grant, so I'm just writing this to let you know mine and the bands thoughts are with you on this sad day. Kindest Regards,
Mark Nicholson

Anne | 11 January 2007

Jamie was laid to rest today - such a dark day for his family and all his many friends, old and new, who knew him at his best - and his worst! We all have our own Jamie Story and it is these memories that carry us through such sad times. I don't think I am alone in thinking that the sun popped out just as Dave took to singing - there was an audible gasp around where we stood - and to be told later that it was the stage lighting is kinda disappointing! Ah well, that's show business...

Dave and Rose - or Rose and Dave, whatever way you want to read it, carried themselves with such courage and dignity, I don't think I could have been so brave, maybe they each had a special Angel helping them through. So Jamie, wherever you are, I am sorry you slipped through the net, we lost you, such a tragic loss, be at peace and know that your love lives on in all who knew you. There will be some cool music going down in Heaven tonight! Sleep well sweetheart. Anne
*Tonight I saw a shooting star, blaze across the sky
It left a trail of stardust in my eyes, as it passed by.
If I could catch a piece of it, and hold it in my heart,
It would sparkle in the darkness through the times we are apart.
There is a newer, brighter star in the sky from tonight.*

Sam Barnett | 12 January 2007

Sorry to hear about the early passing of Jamie, I was a fan of his inimitable guitar strangling ever since I saw him play with the Tinlids in the basement of the Cliftonville pub in Hove. I was in awe of the ability he had for his age, he was inspirational to me at that time and never lost his ability to rock a crowd as I saw him more recently doing at the Portland jam sesh, seeing him playing 'live with me' took me back in time! My condolences to Dave, Beau and the rest of the family, love and peace Sam Barnett x

Kevin | 12 January 2007

Hi Dave, Sorry to hear about Jamie, can't imagine what its like to lose a child. My Dad died 3 weeks ago and thats hard enough. I remember the days in Brighton with Ian and Later with Paddy. All my best to you, my thoughts are with you at this time.
Kevin

Toby & Jo | 12 January 2007

What an amazing turn out to send you off old mate. I wonder if you knew how many people loved you and will miss you. You have left a big gap in the middle of the stage by leaving halfway through your set. Rest easy and keep rocking mate, it's what you did best. Love always
Toby & Jo xxxxxxxx

Jan | 13 January 2007

Hello Rose and Dave, when I think of Jamie, I remember the marmite sandwiches, Bedford Square, must be 31 years ago. He was a lovely little boy all blond and smiling. When I saw him with Rose about 9 years ago, he was like a Dave replica. From what I've read on here, he turned out to be a great kid, well loved and full of life. Sending u both love and strength. Life isn't fair. Thinking of you both.
Love Jan xxx

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Claire | 13 January 2007

Dear Jamie, It is an honour and a privilege to call you my cousin. I remember watching you play on television with the Tin Lids and watching it back on video endlessly with Nick. I remember cutting your photo out of the Argus and showing all the girls at school my cool, rock and roll cousin. I remember coming to see you play with the Reservoir Gods and more recently at the Portland and at my wedding. You made us laugh, you made us cry. You impressed us with your creativity and talent. You burned brightly and you swam against the tide. You judged no-one and welcomed all. You were spontaneous and didn't live by any rule books. You took risks and there was never a dull moment when you were around.

You are a true free spirit. Your mother said that you are her shining light. I'm sure she will continue to see you in this way and will channel that love and devotion in creative and positive directions. I promise that we will all be there to help her, Dave and Yvonne on that journey. You are at peace now Jamie, we will cry for ourselves because we will miss you terribly, but I promise that whenever we think of you, we will also smile and remember how much love and light you brought, and will continue to bring, into our lives. I love you. From your cousin, Claire xxx

Jo & Dawn | 13 January 2007

This is from Jo & Dawn. What a wicked mate you were. Our lives are enriched by your presence. Too many good memories to list here but we will always remember you and think of you with a wry smile on our faces! x x x x

Steve & Dee | 14 January 2007

Jamie, you are sadly missed by so many. Dave and Rose, our thoughts are with you. Love, Light and Peace, Steve & Dee. (South Africa).

Shane | 14 January 2007

As one of Jamie's younger brothers I was just old enough to spend my introduction of partying with Jamie and Friends. I could always remember Jamie popping round with the boys (Dyl, Dan & Azz) to see how Beau and I were, listening to what they got up to at one gig or another. When I was old enough to go with them to these gigs, they definitely knew how to party (especially Jamie!!) Me and Jamie always got on and to me he was like a best friend. For one reason or another we didn't speak to each other for ages, but it didn't mean that I never thought or loved him less.

I would like to say thanks to all of those who turned up at the Church and at Circus Circus. I know that whilst playing a few WHO numbers with Dad and Beau, I could see him playing with us and enjoying the whole day. Dyl & Dan, you were both there for me and Beau that day and it was such an honour to carry Jamie out of the church with you both. Keep in touch. Jamie to you, my message is: I'm sorry!! Love ya! Your brother Shane

Alan | 15 January 2007

Hi Dave, very long time no see. I heard about your terrible loss this week and just wanted to send my very best wishes. I can't imagine how hard it is for you, and I hope you are coping as well as possible under the circumstances. Best wishes, Alan

Pauline Hardy | 15 January 2007

I knew Jamie was special because he came from the love that Dave and Rose had in their happy young days. I saw them married. I saw Jamie as he grew. I saw him laugh. I saw him cry. I never wanted to see him die. None of us know why he was taken after only a short 34 years but there is a reason and so to have known Jamie the child the man the musician the boy who loved and whom loved most of all his mum and dad, Dave and Rose. God bless you Jamie

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Claire and Michael and Jesse | 14 January 2007

Dear Rose. Just wanted to mail you to let you know that Michael and I have thought of you lots over the last few days, and if theres ever anything we could do for you it would be our pleasure. Please feel free to get my mobile number from Jo, if you fancy a chat or need a change of scenery, anytime. Do you remember Kate Naylor from the peds? She couldnt make it to the funeral but had a guitars till dawn night in memory of Jamie and she asked me to send you her love. I dont know Dave, but I just wanted to say that both of you were so brave and showed such courage and strength at the funeral, and I hope that as time passes your pain will lessen. Peace, love, hope and happiness to you both. All our love, Claire and Michael and Jesse

P.S. Jesse wants me to tell you that he remembers Jamie putting him up on the pool table and playing endless games of knock the balls down the pocket with him! Jamie always had time for Jesse and Jesse said 'he was fun and a really nice man' x

Mick and Sue | 14 January 2007

Dear Rose and Dave, thank you for giving us Jamie...He was a beautiful child, so happy and full of energy. We went to see him performing as often as we could and his face always lit up when he saw us...he was a brilliant guitarist, we used to watch in awe; how magical it was to see him playing and singing with his Dad on stage...truly moving to feel the mutual admiration and love. As you know I was teaching Jamie to drive and so had many hours with him more latterly...he amazed me at how quickly he progressed and before long he was whizzing all over the place... visiting old haunts, giving lifts and moving stuff. He loved his car and it pleased me to see that cheeky, almost cocky look, as he completely mastered the tasks I put before him!...He always gave me a strong hug whenever

we met up and I appreciated his love. God has taken him now but he has left us a rich weave of memories and for that we will be forever grateful. Thank you also for arranging such a fitting funeral and wake; it was an honour to have been part of it . I dare say that Nanny Reed and Grandma Barnard are now re-united with their grandson..their gain is our loss; God bless Jamie...Love to you Rose and Dave.....Mick and Sue XXX

Mark Chowen | 16 January 2007

I only met Jamie a handful of times but he was immensely kind and welcoming and loved very much by all those whose lives he touched. I will remember always his exceptional guitar playing at our wedding. You will be sadly missed Jamie. Love to you Rose. Claire and I are always there for you whenever you need us.

Mark xxx

Chris Conway | 16 January 2007

I am more than sorry to hear about Jamie, it was a great shock to hear that I had lost another friend. I wish I could have been with you all to say good-bye to a good guy. There is not much I can say. But what I will say is that all the memories I have of Jamie are very fond ones. He was a very talented musician, just like yourself Dave. He brought a lot of sunshine into people's lives and that is how I will remember Jamie. I especially remember the days when they were really young (Dylan, Jamie and Mr Lyon's son - can't remember his name!), when they played with School for Scandal at The Goldstone Pub, these are very special memories and the ones I will keep close to my heart. I'm not going to say I know how you are feeling because I can't begin to imagine. My thoughts are with you all at this sad time. If ever you need a break you are always welcome at my home in Spain, it would be really good to see you.

Your friend, Chris Conway

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Stephanie | 18 January 2007

Jamie, I can not put into words how I feel, Sorry that you have been taken from us. We can learn from you and that is to live and enjoy life to the full. I remember seeing you play at the Concorde bar and on The Pier with Reservoir Gods. What great fun those nights were. I will always have great memories of you, especially eating christmas dinner for what seemed like hours, the video camera kept going around the table and every time it went onto you, you were eating!! Will miss you loads and I promise to look after Rose. Your cousin Stephanie xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

colinsounds@hotmail.com | 18 January 2007

Jamie - we had an amazing day for you, it was a hell of a gig! I never knew you but you've taught me so much about the importance of family, and you have a lovely one. Everyone misses you, especially your wonderful mother, and you can rest assured that more people will remember you than you even knew. Rest easy, and we shall jam one day, but if you keep ejecting the video I'm going to miss Planet Earth. Again.

John Clay | 25 January 2007

Dear Rose and Dave. It's impossible to find the right words but I just want to add my condolences to you both and your family on the loss of your beloved Jamie. My thoughts are with you during this saddest of times.

John Clay

Chris Anderson | 27 January 2007

Dave - sorry for the lateness of this message, I only heard of your very sad loss today. It's been a long time since our paths have crossed but I have always had the greatest for you. Take care of each other at this difficult time. Very best regards and condolences.

Chris Anderson (Lemonboys)

Jamie Clay, Helsinki | 22 January 2007

Rose & Dave – I am so sad for your loss. I always thought Jamie was someone I would get old with. I've seen him so few times since we were kids but I always think of him, and of course my thoughts are with you now – and with Dylan too. I was probably too young to remember when we first met – I would never admit it then but I always thought he was so cool. I remember him finding a twenty on the ground at the seven dials, offering me my first fag, and the first time I played a gig without my dad – with Jamie and Dylan in London. One thing has really stuck in my mind the last few years – seeing Jamie and Dylan in the Lift and Jamie had a new guitar (white SG?). He played fantastic that night and I think it was the last time I saw him. We were talking afterwards only for seconds but he had this intensity and light in his eyes as he told me how great a new guitar can be. After putting it off for about 15 years I got a new guitar about a year later and all the time I was thinking about Jamie and that night. Still now when I'm looking at new guitars I think of the feeling he gave me then and this incredible warm glow he had. He was always so good to me. Thanks Jamie and see you again one day.

Katie | 18 January 2007

I only heard about this today so I apologise for the lateness. Also, for not attending the funeral. I am still having problems with the fact that this is all real and when I walked round town yesterday, thought I saw Jamie. It's a very strange feeling and unfortunately, not the first time I have experienced it. I stick with my memories of Jamie for the first few years I knew him... we were all teenagers rockin, drinkin, smokin and god knows what else! We were free and young and we didn't give a ****! They were good times and all the people we loved so much were around us. What can I say?... Life just ain't fair. Love to you all, my thoughts are with you all. Sam Bond x x x x x

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Lyn | 25 January 2007

"Ring Ring" "Ring Ring" Hello Jamie it's only me Lyn, That's the way we usually communicated so I never got to know you as well as I would have liked. When my family attended your service my thoughts on the journey to Brighton were one's of regret that you and Yvonne never got to make the long country walks we had talked about. My main reason for leaving this message is in the hope that you can see it or hear it. I needed to say Thank You for your friendship to me, your immediate semi adoption of a new niece and nephew who cared about you, and most important of all for the love you shared with the lady you lived with my sister Yvonne, you were truly soul mates.

I heard all the plans you were making about the flat that you shared and about the places you visited in Spain and Portugal. I know that you had found a mutually safe harbour after many turbulent years and were beginning to truly settle down. I do not think words can adequately describe the loss my sister is feeling. I also wanted to let you know that your friends have been giving Yvonne the moral support you would have wanted and expected them to give. Next time I go for that long walk you will be in my heart and seeing things through my eyes. Sweet dreams Jamie x x x x

Pete Early | 1 February 2007

Hi Dave, just read the sad news about Jamie on this website. I was watching a Fascinations video from 1981 the other night and you were dancing with Jamie on it. I've got fond memories of your birthday bash a few years ago when Jamie and his brothers played Dead End Street for you. I didn't know Jamie as an adult but from the comments on this site he must have been a great bloke like his Dad. Take care mate, Pete Early

Karen | 24 April 2007

Dear Dave and Rose, this is Karen, partner of the late Steve Coleman. I have only just been told of your sad loss, It's hard enough losing a partner... I can only imagine what it's like to lose a child. I remember Jamie in the early days mucking around on stage with his Dad, a really nice lad, very talented, I remember Steve saying...its so annoying...Talented Dad.....and Talented Son.....such a waste. Take Care, our thoughts are with you...
Karen, Claire.

Tracy | 20 May 2007

Hi Dave and Rosie...Tracy here from ages ago... Got to know you guys thru Tonge playing gigs in Bognor...all those years ago! Just blown away when I looked up Brighton Punk bands web site and saw that Jamie had passed away last year...Last saw Dave playing at Anita Roddick's party some 18 years ago...I remember how proud Dave was about Jamie...didn't he play the drums? Just in a clumsy way wanna say I feel for you and send my love to you both...Love Tracy x

Mandi | 9 October 2007

Don't know if you remember me, I used to visit when the Vandells were playing 1979/80. My friend Claire and I slept on your couch. Well, I just read that Jamie has passed on and wanted to say how sorry I am to know this. I only remember him as a little blonde boy, but I see he grew up to play guitar like Dad. You are often in my thoughts. Stay well. Love Mandi.

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Dylan Amey | 22 December 2007

1 year on and it aint any easier, still cant believe that it actually happened. Jamie & myself were best mates since we were kids and I miss him greatly. Its just so sad that things like that have to happen, lets hope he is in a better place than all of us and he is looking down on us thinking about what we are all missing out on. so many memories, he will never be forgotten, keep rockin. Dyl x

Dulles Foster | 22 December 2008

To Rose and Dave, thinking of you on this very sad day, I will light a candle for jamie again. god bless. Dallas, Gloria. xxx

Neon River | 30 January 2009

Dear Dave & family. I have just recently found out about your son passing over. I accidentally found this website via a search engine you see. Although you and I only met the once at the Terrie Callier gig you invited me and my friends to in Manchester, please accept my condolences. I believe the soul lives on and your son will be always with you and your family. love, light & laughter. NEON



Hi everyone, Punkdaddy here:
Dave said at the wake that at least 420 people attended
St Barts, so well done all of you.

It's impossible to fathom what Dave and Rose as parents
and their nearest and dearest must be going through
right now and I'd just like to say that Jamie will be
remembered so fondly by so many of us. He was a lovely
bloke who seemed to have time for everyone.

I'm honoured to be able to accept these messages of
love, sympathy and support on behalf of the family and
friends of Jamie.

Keep the messages coming and I'll do my best to post
them live on the site as soon as they come in.

Jamie, all the very best mate, we'll all be meeting up
again one day. RIP.