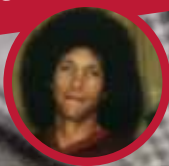


**“DANNY”
DOMINIC CASEY**

AUGUST 4TH 1947 - JANUARY 20TH 2018



Danny Casey

Danny (Dominick Anthony) Casey , born in Houston, Texas. August 4, 1947.

Preceded in death by his parents Edna and Martin Thomas Casey

Survived by wife Debbie, his Brothers Tommy and Pat Casey, sister Colleen Syzdek children Dominic Casey and wife Monica, Dwayne Casey and wife Kristal. Also 4 grandchildren Aidan and Ayanna Casey, Payten Rudd, Zayne Casey Also, 1 niece Shay Hansen and 4 nephews Tommy Casey, Shane, Brandon and Sheldon Stankevitz. Aunt Cecilia & husband Lynn George and numerous cousins.

When Danny grew up in the Houston 'Heights', it was kind of a small town in the city. A neighborhood rich with musicians, artists, and writers, nestled in the trees with a view of Houston's skyscrapers. Danny just had to walk around the neighborhood to hear great live music drifting through the streets.

Danny played basketball in high school, and was offered a scholarship to play for a private college in Houston. The music must have been calling louder and stronger, because that was when his focus became music, drums, and vocals.

Danny started playing drums with a band named 'Clouds' in high school. A few changes later, the band became 'Buckwheat'. In 1965, they, Buckwheat, went to New York after Tim Harrison got in touch with Bob Margouleff, a producer in Great Neck, New York. Bob produced the album titled 'Pure

Buckwheat Honey' , at Broadway Recording Studios in the Ed Sullivan Building, in New York City. They recorded on the Kama Sutra Label, a division of Mercury.

'Buckwheat' broke up in 1966. The members of this band went on to work with well known musicians. Danny worked with Jimi Hendrix. Tim Harrison (Dulaine) wrote for Chaka Kan (I Believe In Miracles), worked with the J.Geils Band, Journey, and a few others. Charlie Bell played bass with BB King for a while, and the Moving Sidewalks(ZZ Top).

It was after that, Danny played drums with Jimi Hendrix for about seven months, right before the 'Experience' album. Randy Palmer asked Danny if he wanted to play. They went downstairs and there was Jimi wailing on guitar. Jimi & Danny became roommates during that time. Danny was rapping his fingers on everything in their apartment while Jimi played, and wrote. His favorite story about Jimi is when they would pretend to be Batman & Robin, and go walking around Greenwich Village, in New York City. Jimi was, of course, was Batman. Danny says that Hendrix was one of the funniest people he knew.

Jimi's band , Jimi James & the Blue Flames, consisted of Jimi Hendrix, Danny Casey, Randy 'Texas' Palmer, and Randy 'California'Cassidy . That's how Jimi kept their names straight. They played the Cafe'Wah, in the Village, the Cafe' A GoGo, and the other clubs in the village, for about 7 months



Tom

Danny

Colleen

Pat



Danny

Debbie





Mom took Danny to H&H music in downtown Houston and bought him the best drums they had, "Ludwig".... The rest is History



The Clouds 1960's



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We had a house full of musicians, Alan Waters, better known as "Spider"... for his long piano fingers, Tim Harrison, singer and lead guitar and Randy Palmer on Bass guitar , who could sing anything and Charley Bell was a friend and also a bass guitar and the list goes on for singers and musicians throughout the years. Danny was quiet the showman and could twirl his drumsticks, throw them in the air, come down and never miss a beat.

Colleen



Buckwheat

Danny and Randy Palmer got their draft notices and came home to register for the draft, this was mid 60's during the Vietnam Nam war. Chas Chandler was bass player for the Animals and took over as Jimi's manager. He had a Lear jet and took Jimi to England. Danny and Randy stayed behind at that time. But when Jimi returned to the States a media sensation, and world famous, he invited Danny and our family to his concert with backstage passes. Which is the 1st time we met Jimi in person. Jimi loved Danny and that was the honor he bestowed upon him and our family. Colleen



Jimi James and the Blue Flames played the Café Wha? for a little over three months. Here, Hendrix debuted his version of "Wild Thing" on June 26, Shirley's birthday. "He came home one night asking me if I'd heard that song [the Troggs' #1 single] on the radio. He came flying out of the bathroom, hot-as-raked... picked up his guitar and started playing it."

The Blue Flames included Randy Wolfe (rhythm guitar), Randy Palmer (bass), and Danny Casey (drums). Since these were two hard members named Randy, Hendrix called Wolfe (who formed the rock group Spirit in 1967) "Randy Texas." Randy California remembered "I didn't even know his name was Hendrix. I always thought it was Jimi James! I think Jimi kind of protected me from some of the stuff back then because I was so young. I remember the music, being tired at 12:30 at night, and having to take the subway back home."

Hendrix had initially met the fifteen-year-old Wolfe at Manny's Music. "He [Hendrix] was in the back of the store playing a Strat," Wolfe recalled. "Our eyes caught each other and I looked him if I could show him things I learned on the guitar. He then gave me the chance to come down that day. I think he played a few minutes happened



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