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Posted - 27/05/2007 : 18:21:08

I just wanted to pass on some very sad news that I got earlier today. Fraser O'Brien who was a big contributor to our site and a friend to Cas and many other people on here, died this weekend. He hadn't been well for a few months but it was a terrible shock and our thoughts should go to his mum and dad, especially his mum who had to pass the news on to me. Fraser's knowledge of music in general, but Dusty particular, was extensive and he'll be very sadly missed. I'm still finding it hard to believe.



Carole x

"Since you went away, I've been hanging around...."

Edited by - daydreamer on 27/05/2007 19:49:15

Posted - 27/05/2007 : 18:30:41

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I've got a good thing
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OMG!!! R.I.P He was always so nice.

Matt.

Cas19
Wasn't born to follow
5 stars



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Little by little
1 star

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Posted - 27/05/2007 : 19:06:21

Just wanted to say that Fraser was one lovely caring friend who I will miss. I still cant believe it. My thoughts go to his mum dad and famil

'IF TIME WERE NOT A MOVING THING AND I COULD MAKE IT STAY'

Good night my friend love and thoughts
Casxxxxx

Posted - 27/05/2007 : 19:09:11

That is such a shock! He was a lovely man.

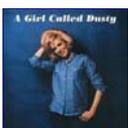
Love Jonathan

Tim
Where am I going?
3 stars



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Where am I going?
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Laura
Administrator
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Posted - 27/05/2007 : 19:19:43

Yes he was lovely and I saw him so recently at DD - hard to get my head around it. So sorry for his family and friends.

Love Tim

Posted - 27/05/2007 : 19:20:38

Fraser was a true friend to all the Dusty 'communities'. His wonderful cd's - made and sold at 'Dusty day' were always superb. On top of this - he was SUCH a nice guy. I cannot believe we have 'lost' him. We should ALL be grateful to have known him. FRASER - YOU WILL ALWAYS BE REMEMBERED.

Brian

Posted - 27/05/2007 : 19:22:54

This is very sad news, and I never knew that the past DD would be his last. I'm so sorry to hear this as he was a really lovely and kind me had a fantastic knowledge of Dusty's music and contributed a lot. He will be missed so much. Goes to show you never know when you will people. My thoughts are also with his family and friends, they must be devastated. This is really shocking...

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**Gypsy Rose Lee**

I'll try anything  
★ ★

USA  
1535 Posts

Posted - 27/05/2007 : 19:43:01

This is so sad. Fraser was so generous with his music and himself. Sadly, I never got to know him very well; yet, I will miss him being around. It feels like a death in the family.

My sympathies go out to Carole, Cas and the rest of Fraser's friends and family. He was a good man.

Love,  
Ro

**EspressoConPanna**

Little by little  
★

USA  
337 Posts

Posted - 27/05/2007 : 20:37:55

Sophie, I saw your Myspace post!

I am shocked! This is truly a tragedy for the Dusty family.

Fraser, please rest in peace eternally....

Michael  
Austin, TX



**aybekay**

I start counting

United Kingdom  
10 Posts

Posted - 27/05/2007 : 20:39:29

That's sad news indeed! Always looked forward to seeing the stuff he produced for DD as the amount of time, care and effort taken over there for anyone to see. I really do treasure some of the stuff he put together

**insomniacafe**

I'll try anything  
★ ★



Netherlands  
1509 Posts

Posted - 27/05/2007 : 21:15:03

Even from my short time here it was clear that Fraser was a much-loved and valued member of the Dusty community. Deepest sympathy and warmest wishes to his friends and family.

**Sophie**

Where am I going?  
★ ★ ★

2302 Posts

Posted - 27/05/2007 : 21:27:12

Fraser was a lovely person, and he brought such a lot to the 'Dusty Community' - it's so sad that he has passed away. My thoughts also go to his family and close friends, who must be devastated..

RIP, Fraser. ☹️

**Sweetbaby**

I'll try anything  
★ ★

Canada  
1466 Posts

Posted - 27/05/2007 : 22:28:03

My condolences to Fraser's family & friends.

**Isparks18**

Little by little  
★



USA  
132 Posts

Posted - 27/05/2007 : 22:30:51

I met Fraser at Dusty Day 2004. What a nice man he was. I cannot tell you how many of Fraser's efforts I own, but will never look at any of them now without thinking of him. He was always on the look out for new things. He was very kind to me and my friend Scott in putting them together and having them for me in '04. I am deeply saddened at his untimely death. He will be missed, I am sure, by all who knew him.

Linda

**Mark**

I've got a good thing  
★ ★ ★ ★



United Kingdom  
5309 Posts

Posted - 27/05/2007 : 22:47:59

.....I'm shocked and saddened to hear this, I met him at last year's and this year's Dusty day and had correspondence with him and Fraser was a really nice, genuine guy.....

Condolences and thoughts to Fraser's family.....

R.I.P. Fraser

Love Mark xx

This one's for you, Fraser!

<http://download.yousendit.com/9DC45BA55CE8F110>  
**ROLL AWAY - Dusty Springfield**

Give Dusty our best.

Love,  
Ro

**dusty\_freak**  
I've got a good thing  
★★★★★



Australia  
5805 Posts

Posted - 28/05/2007 : 04:55:51

Oh this is such a shock, i honestly don't know what to say. I met Fraser at Dusty Day this year and he seemed like a really nice bloke, it f bit surreal that this has happened.

My deepest sympathies go out to all of Fraser's family and friends.

At least now he can rest in peace with our beloved Dusty.

We'll miss you Fraser 😞

Clare xoxo

"Put it in a letter, if that'll make it better..."

**Kathy**  
Wasn't born to follow  
★★★★★



Australia  
6508 Posts

Posted - 28/05/2007 : 05:23:03

Sadly I didn't get to know Fraser, but it was clear he was held in very high esteem by all. My condolences to all his close friends and fami Rest in Peace Fraser, no doubt you are listening to all original performances where you are now!

xx  
Kathy

"I sometimes smile when I think of how I looked then..."

**Mads**  
Where am I going?  
★★★



Australia  
3323 Posts

Posted - 28/05/2007 : 07:13:49

Im absolutely speechless. I cannot believe this has happened! I got a call from Clare today because I've been away for the weekend and cant put words together to describe how shocked I am..

So sorry for everyone who was close to this genuinely nice guy 😞

Rest in peace, mate 😞

**LOVE MADS.**

**mssdusty**  
I've got a good thing  
★★★★★



USA  
5821 Posts

Posted - 28/05/2007 : 09:54:49

WHAT ELSE IS THERE TO SAY. ALL ARE IN MY THOUGHTS.  
I HEARD WHAT A NICE MAN HE WAS.  
MARY

I only think of the day I Met Dusty and MY pains go away.IT's Great!

**n/a**  
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18 Posts

Posted - 28/05/2007 : 13:03:37

Sad to hear Fraser is gone. However, look who he is with now.:-)

Still can't help thinking it was before his time - saw him at DD this year - only 6 weeks ago and he looked fine, little quiet but looked good thing about Fraser, he quietly told the truth and with humour. Enjoy your new life Fraser.. :-) we will all miss your sweet self and your wonderfuly creative CDs.

anna

anna

**DivineDusty**  
I'll try anything  
★★



Australia  
1066 Posts

Posted - 28/05/2007 : 13:59:52

I'm very sad to hear of Fraser's passing. From my short time on here, he was such a wonderful person and provided so much knowledge. I spirit and energy will always remain with and around those people who's lives he touched.

My condolences to his friends and family =[

.Divine.Dusty.

\*\*\*I just decided I wanted to become someone else... So I became someone else. \*\*\*

**humboldt**  
I'll try anything  
★★

Posted - 28/05/2007 : 17:06:54

I'm both shocked & saddened to learn of Fraser's passing. I never met him but corresponded with him many times with regard to my collec



United Kingdom  
1704 Posts

**Birdie Breeze**  
Little by little



USA  
248 Posts

RIP Fraser.

John

Posted - 28/05/2007 : 22:13:09

Ahhhhhhh....this is truly sad news.

Fraser was and always will be one of the brightest stars in the Dusty skies.

Intelligent, kind, productive, creative....

He was fabulous and at the top of the tree in terms of his contributions.

Damn.

Warm regards to all.

Birdie

<http://www.myspace.com/birdiebreeze>

Posted - 29/05/2007 : 04:16:59

I am really sorry to hear of Frasers passing. Though I have never met him, his generosity with sharing his Dusty music with the world was endless...not only sharing the songs themselves but presenting them by venue, year ect...all the info that went along with them...at time could barely keep up... even when he wasn't feeling well, he often did his best to respond to most requests made to him. My condolences family and to all who had the pleasure of knowing him. Always sad to see one go well before his time.  
paula x

**paula**  
Moderator



USA  
5012 Posts

**mikeh69**  
Little by little



Posted - 29/05/2007 : 19:07:30

My condolences to Fraser o' Brien and his family. Im so new here that after the day he passed away. I was looking through all the mp3 he to everyone and yesterday I wrote a post to him not knowing he was gone. I was told today from the post I posted. The timing was just unthinkable. I have chatted with him here a few times about Dusty and was a very warm person. To me he seem to be a great archivist o Dusty's performances.

USA  
299 Posts

**Will**  
Wasn't born to follow



Posted - 29/05/2007 : 20:47:52

Hi Mike -

Fraser was probably one of the most knowledgeable people around when it came to the music, career and performances of Dusty Springfield there was a rare or unreleased track, he would find it, and there was precious little he didn't know. he really should have been on Masterr 101.

He was also incredibly generous and giving, as many here will agree - and no more so than in the work he did every year for Dusty Day.

He will be greatly missed by many.

Will

United Kingdom  
7603 Posts

**Laura**  
Administrator



Posted - 29/05/2007 : 20:56:55

Hey Will I see that you have made an impressive and lovely tribute to Fraser on your website! That is so sweet, thanks for doing that, it is really professional too...

Love, Laura xx



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3075 Posts

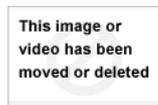
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**daydreamer**  
Moderator



Posted - 29/05/2007 : 21:07:46

Hi Will, I'm glad you got in at last and good to talk to you yesterday. I thought I would post a couple of happy photo's of Fraser taken on out. The first one is me with two very good friends, both of them now no longer with us. Michael, me and Fraser in Manchester, probably by Cas.



United Kingdom

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Carole x

"Since you went away, I've been hanging around...."

Edited by - daydreamer on 29/05/2007 21:08:42

**Corinna**  
Forum Admin  
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Sweden  
6080 Posts

**Will**  
Wasn't born to follow  
★★★★★



United Kingdom  
7603 Posts

Posted - 29/05/2007 : 21:25:13

I am really shocked and saddened by this news. My thoughts and wishes go to his family and friends.

I only met Fraser briefly on DD 2005 & 2006, and I had a lasting impression of him as a wonderful and humble guy who generously shared recordings and performances by Dusty, always thinking of spreading the Dusty love, and never thinking of personal profit.

He will be greatly missed.

Corinna

Posted - 29/05/2007 : 21:48:54

Hi Carole -

It was really good to talk to you, also - I only wish it had been under less tragic circumstances. Thanks for posting the pics, which are lovely. The second is priceless and typically Fraser, while it is good to be able to put a face to Michael at last.

Incidentally, the photo on my website is the one I took of you and Fraser at the Hard Rock Cafe, from the day we had lunch in Manchester. You'd like a copy of that photo, just say and I'll happily bring it down for you.

Like you and many others, I can't really believe he has gone and the last few days have been filled with many tears. My thoughts are with you, particularly you, Carole - as you know, Fraser thought the world of you and he talked about you all the time every time we spoke. Above all, my thoughts are with Heather, Fraser's mother, who is finding these days very hard and dreading the journey we will make soon.

I have been reading all the tributes here and I have been very moved by them; they are a testament to Fraser and the regard in which we held him. Heather knows about them and I have printed them out for her - she will read them when she is ready for that but she, too, was determined to know so many things so highly of her son.

Will.x.

<http://web.mac.com/digitographer>

Posted - 29/05/2007 : 21:54:53

Thanks Will, I would like a copy of the photo please and I thought your website tribute to your friend was absolutely lovely.

Carole x

"Since you went away, I've been hanging around...."

**daydreamer**  
Moderator  
★★★★★



United Kingdom  
5404 Posts

**Fraser**  
Little by little  
★

United Kingdom  
695 Posts

Posted - 29/05/2007 : 23:19:59

My name is darren

I am a very good friend of Fraser's sorry I am using his account but I did not know how to do the forum. I just want to thank you all for your lovely comments about Fraser and cannot thank you all enough. Every kind word said brought me to tears.

Here is my email address [hotskin72@hotmail.com](mailto:hotskin72@hotmail.com)

I shall be looking after Fraser's flat and sorting things out till his mum comes to Manchester and I am helping her with the arrangements. I thank you all again for your lovely comments.

lots of love Darren  
(rest in peace my dear friend)

Edited by - Fraser on 29/05/2007 23:39:37

**Will**  
Wasn't born to follow  
★★★★★



United Kingdom  
7603 Posts

**onemoresipofwine**  
I start counting

Posted - 30/05/2007 : 10:34:04

can't get my head around this, Fraser you will be missed so very much.

**Mads**  
Where am I going?  
☆☆☆



Australia  
3323 Posts

**Tim**  
Where am I going?  
☆☆☆



United Kingdom  
3422 Posts

**Jonathan**  
Little by little  
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United Kingdom  
458 Posts

**TIGGER**  
I start counting

United Kingdom  
3 Posts

Posted - 30/05/2007 : 12:24:18

Neither can I. I cant stop thinking about him and how untimely his death was 😞

LOVE MADS.

Posted - 30/05/2007 : 13:49:14

I know Mads. I feel that way too.

x

Posted - 30/05/2007 : 15:17:40

A lovely tribute to Fraser, Will. Still can't believe he's gone.

Love Jonathan

Posted - 30/05/2007 : 17:34:50

This is a poem for my dear beloved friend fraser

HEAVEN IS IN MY HEART

An Angel came to kiss my friend,  
As his life it slipped away,  
She took him to another home,  
A place not far away.  
For his soul is always with me,  
As to this place he did depart,  
For the home the Angel gave him,  
Is the HEAVEN IN MY HEART.  
He cannot mend my heartache,  
Nor take away my pain,  
He can only wait in Heaven,  
Until we meet again.  
Remember times we laughed and cried,  
At lifes many ups and downs,  
The times we were uncertain,  
Times we smiled and times we frowned.  
And when in times of trouble,  
I feel lonely and afraid,  
Just call him from within my heart,  
And my worries soon will fade.  
As each night falls...In bed I lay,  
In prayer whisper his name,  
Though I cannot hear or see him,  
He will answer just the same.  
For the Angel reassured me,  
As from life he has gone now,  
That as I close your eyes to sleep,  
He'll gently kiss my brow.  
For an Angel came to kiss him,  
And our friendship ensures in part,  
That he'll always be in Heaven,  
And that HEAVEN IS IN MY HEART.

To my dear friend fraser who I will miss so much but will never forget

You will always be in my heart

With Love  
Darren

Edited by - TIGGER on 30/05/2007 20:12:14

**Laura**  
Administrator  
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Posted - 30/05/2007 : 17:49:51

That is really beautiful Darren, thank you for writing that and sharing with us...

Love, Laura xx



Let's Shop Dusty!

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5404 Posts

Posted - 30/05/2007 : 17:54:29

That was very beautiful and moving Darren... thankyou for sharing it..

W.x.

Posted - 30/05/2007 : 19:29:19

What a touching and lovely tribute to Fraser you've written. Thank you, Darren.

Love,  
Rosemary

Posted - 30/05/2007 : 20:57:52

Beautiful, Darren. Thanks for sharing.

I know the internet can be a lonely place, but behind all posts of this forum are warm and compassionate people. If there is anything at a can do to ease your pain just a little bit, please let us know.

Cor xx

Posted - 30/05/2007 : 21:14:35

Beautifful poem Darren.....thank you for sharing it with us.

Mark

Posted - 30/05/2007 : 22:24:15

Hi everyone -

I spoke with Heather, Fraser's mum, a little while ago and I mentioned that people were asking about doing something in Fraser's memory; very touched by that and has asked that instead of flowers, people make a donation to one of Fraser's favourite charities - the two she suggested were either the Royal Marsden or Body Positive in Manchester. It's up to everyone if they want to do that individually or collec

Still awaiting details on the funeral arrangements but I do know that a reception for Fraser's friends, to which all will be welcome, is plann after the funeral and it is anticipated that this will be on Canal Street, at Heather's request.

Will post more as soon as I know anything.

Regards to all..

Will

<http://web.mac.com/digitographer>

Posted - 30/05/2007 : 22:35:09

Thanks Will. I came across this post from Fraser, informative and insightful as always. One of the reasons he'll be so missed on this forum.

Fraser  
Little by little

United Kingdom  
695 Posts  
Posted - 19/10/2006 : 21:54:21

I think, getting back to the title of the thread, that there aren't THAT many studio-recorded rarities to be released - Paul Howes put toge lot of the versions that hadn't made it onto CD onto the "Classics & Collectibles" double CD a couple of years ago. And the recent "A & B : ones has given us the original mono mixes of the singles (has anyone noticed that "Some Of Your Lovin'" and "In The Middle Of Nowhere" e seconds or so longer than the usual stereo mixes we're used to - the extra bit is at the end on the fade out).

As far as I can remember offhand, the following ones are the ones we KNOW about that are still to be released:

- \* All That's Left To Say Is Goodbye
- \* Will You Love Me Tomorrow (80s version)
- \* Six Million Dollar Man Theme
- \* Affection
- \* All You Need Is Love (from TV advert)
- \* Someone To Watch Over Me (there are 4 different versions of this - and only one has been released)
- \* Baby Blue 7" version (this was released on a CD Single of "Roll Away" but has yet to make a debut on a CD album
- \* Black Sheep (I know only the backing track and backing vocals - including Dusty - were recorded - but, as fanatics..... we want to hear it!
- \* Corner Of The Sky (I know we're getting this on a Pet album - but we want it on a Dusty one!)

dramatic way they used it in the radio documentary in 2000.

And, on the question of her not wanting any of these to be released, I do sympathise with that point of view. Sometimes, however, I do think she was very harsh on herself and wasn't necessarily the most objective person about her own work. The Memphis sessions show that - & someone else took over a lot of the work and left her just to sing - sheer magic was produced. The Longing sessions should have been ar almost were) the same - great songs, great arrangements, with someone else at the helm, leaving her just to do what she did best.

I know she made great decisions regarding the choice of her own material elsewhere - I just wish she'd had the confidence - in herself as as others - to allow others a little more control - when they were obviously people who knew what they were doing.

The fact that "It's Over" went unreleased for over 30 years to me is one of the most amazing parts of the unreleased material. I had hear ABOUT the song, but had never really heard it (other than a bad copy taped off the TV when she performed it on the Rolf Harris Show in Nothing prepared me for when I actually HEARD the released version of it - the intensity and the vulnerability of it blew me away - and I rate it as one of my Top 10 Dusty songs. I just can't see why that one never made the light of day sooner.

Fraser

Carole x

"Since you went away, I've been hanging around...."

**Rob**  
Administrator  
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4205 Posts

**Will**  
Wasn't born to follow  
★★★★★



United Kingdom  
7603 Posts

**go in back**  
Little by little  
★

United Kingdom  
519 Posts

Posted - 30/05/2007 : 22:40:35

This is very sad, shocking and depressing news. I can't say i knew Fraser well though i did spend a little time in his company at Dusty Day We know of his generosity with regard to his Dusty material and his immense knowledge in musical matters. LTD and its members have been privileged to have had Fraser as a member and a friend. He shared his music and much more here. I'm glad to have known him.

It's a beautiful poem Darren.

R.B

Posted - 30/05/2007 : 22:40:52

That is so typically Fraser, Carole - and he is \*so\* right about "Its Over" .. one of the saddest and most stunning songs I have ever heard life..

W.x.

Posted - 30/05/2007 : 23:37:20

I didn't know Fraser and unfortunately didn't get to meet him at Dusty Day, but from all the posts I have read it's obvious that he was a generous and much loved man amongst the Dusty community who will be greatly missed by everyone who knew him. My deepest sympathy thoughts and prayers go out to his family and friends at this sad and distressing time.

When we lose someone we love it seems that time stands still. What moves through us is a silence... a quiet sadness... A longing for one day... one more word... one more touch...

We may not understand why you left this earth so soon, or why you left before we were ready to say good-bye, but little by little, we begin to remember not just that you died, but that you lived. And that your life gave us memories too beautiful to forget. We will see you again day, in a heavenly place where there is no parting. A place where there are no words that mean good-bye.

Take care of him Dust!

**dusty\_freak**  
I've got a good thing  
★★★★★



Australia  
5805 Posts

**musicfanatic**  
Little by little  
★



USA  
703 Posts

**Isparks18**  
Little by little  
★

Posted - 31/05/2007 : 07:34:54

Very nice poem there Darren, thankyou. And thanks for the update Will. Corinna's right when she says that we're here for you because we are more than happy to do anything to help.

Clare xoxo

"Put it in a letter, if that'll make it better..."

Posted - 31/05/2007 : 17:47:05

I'm sorry to hear of this. My thoughts go out to his family and many friends.

"I never love nobody fully always one foot on the ground"--regina spektor

Posted - 31/05/2007 : 17:59:32

This from Will--- I spoke with Heather, Fraser's mum, a little while ago and I mentioned that people were asking about doing something in Fraser's memory: she is very touched by that and has asked that instead of flowers, people make a donation to one of Fraser's favourite charities



USA  
132 Posts

Does anyone want to do something as a group? Think would be really meaningful either way, but as a group it might be better. Don't know we would go about it, the money conversion and all. Think we did flowers for Dusty grave before as a group. Anyone got any ideas how to about this? We have two good suggestions of places to donate.

Linda

Edited by - Isparks18 on 31/05/2007 18:03:42

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Posted - 31/05/2007 : 22:00:19

A joint tribute in order to honour our member & friend Fraser is a great idea, Linda.

We (the admins & mods of LTD) are discussing of how to do it practically. I think we can come up with a suggestion very soon, and will post here on the forum.

Cor xx

Posted - 01/06/2007 : 00:05:04

Cor--Thanks for the reply. I know you'll will come up with something good. I am sure many want to contribute. He was very special.

Linda

Posted - 01/06/2007 : 00:13:53

thank you for sharing your poem with us, Darren - i agree, it was very touching.

Posted - 01/06/2007 : 16:41:46

Cor and Rob have set up a new thread for donations to the Royal Marsden in Fraser's name. You can find it here [http://www.dustyspringfield.info/forum/topic.asp?TOPIC\\_ID=1725](http://www.dustyspringfield.info/forum/topic.asp?TOPIC_ID=1725)

Thanks to both.

Carole x

"Since you went away, I've been hanging around...."

Posted - 01/06/2007 : 22:33:35

Many thanks Cor and Rob, and cheers for the link Carole. It's a really nice idea to donate to charity because you know it'll always do good

Love, Laura xx



[http://web.mac.com/mused\\_violetfly/iWeb/Site/Welcome.html](http://web.mac.com/mused_violetfly/iWeb/Site/Welcome.html)

Posted - 02/06/2007 : 14:22:29

Thanks to everyone who made giving a contribution in Fraser's memory possible.

Linda

Posted - 02/06/2007 : 17:56:58

Hi everyone -

Just to give you a quick update on what is happening. It looks as though Fraser's funeral will take place toward the end of next week, eit Thursday or Friday, with a reception somewhere on Canal Street afterwards.

Fraser's mother and I are travelling down to Manchester tomorrow afternoon (Sunday) and the remaining arrangements can then be sorted over the next day or two; as soon as anything is confirmed I will post again.

Kind regards to all of you.

Will

<http://web.mac.com/digitographer>



Sweden

6080 Posts

**Will**  
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Posted - 04/06/2007 : 16:16:24

**Funeral Arrangements for Fraser O'Brien**

Hi everyone -

The details for the funeral and reception for Fraser have now been confirmed and are as follows -

The funeral will take place at Manchester Crematorium (Southern Cemetary) at 10:55am on the morning of Friday 8th June 2007.

The reception will take place thereafter at The Rembrandt Hotel, Canal Street, Manchester.

All friends are very welcome to both, but as requested previously, no flowers please.

Kind regards to you all and, on behalf of Fraser's mother - Heather - thankyou again to all those who have so kindly written words of condolence, which at this time are deeply appreciated.

Will

Posted - 04/06/2007 : 17:12:10

Thank you for posting the information Will. As Will knows, I fly away on holiday on Thursday and so can't be at Fraser's funeral. It makes but time was against me and it was always going to prove difficult to meet my deadline of Wednesday. I'll be thinking of everyone on Friday have to say my goodbye to Fraser in some other way.

Carole x

"Since you went away, I've been hanging around..."

**daydreamer**  
Moderator  
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United Kingdom

5404 Posts

**boztiggs**  
Where am I going?  
★★★

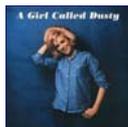
Posted - 04/06/2007 : 18:48:54

This is such sad news and such a loss to his family and friends.

neil

" Here in the gloom, of my lonely room, i hold his photograph and pray ill see him soon oh-oh"

**Brian**  
Where am I going?  
★★★



United Kingdom

2058 Posts

**MattMidd1**  
I've got a good thing  
★★★★★

Posted - 04/06/2007 : 21:53:54

I'm up for that 🍀 I'll be at school tho 🙄 - aaaaah well, this is more important.

Matt.

**Rob**  
Administrator  
★★★★★



United Kingdom

4205 Posts

**Corinna**  
Forum Admin  
★★★★★

Posted - 04/06/2007 : 22:40:05

This still seems so very unreal...

I'll join you in playing one of Fraser's CDs on Friday.



Sweden  
6080 Posts

**TIGGER**  
I start counting

Posted - 05/06/2007 : 00:20:57

Here is a tribute CD I have put together in Frasers memory with art work

I just want to thankyou all for the things that is being done in Frasers memory Here is the link to download the CD

<http://www.megaupload.com/?d=OH8BUNYJ>

With Love  
Darren

United Kingdom  
3 Posts

**go in back**  
Little by little

Posted - 05/06/2007 : 00:36:52

I will be driving to Cardiff on Friday to stay with a friend for a few days; I don't have any of Fraser's CDs but I shall have Dust with me an have her blasting out in his memory

United Kingdom  
519 Posts

**paula**  
Moderator

Posted - 05/06/2007 : 01:51:19

good idea, Brian...I'll be listening.  
paula x



USA  
5012 Posts

**Kathy**  
Wasn't born to follow

Posted - 05/06/2007 : 05:58:24

I'll be playing one of Fraser's CD's on Friday in his memory. RIP Fraser

xx  
Kathy

"I sometimes smile when I think of how I looked then..."



Australia  
6508 Posts

**Kathy**  
Wasn't born to follow

Posted - 05/06/2007 : 07:55:53

quote:

*Originally posted by TIGGER*

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With Love  
Darren



Australia  
6508 Posts

xx  
Kathy

"I sometimes smile when I think of how I looked then..."

**Kathy**  
Wasn't born to follow

Posted - 05/06/2007 : 07:57:06

Thank you for this lovely tribute to Fraser. It is a wonderful memorial and will keep his memory close for all of us. 😊

xx  
Kathy

"I sometimes smile when I think of how I looked then..."



Australia  
6508 Posts

**Corinna**  
Forum Admin

Posted - 05/06/2007 : 09:15:30

Thank you, Darren. A beautiful tribute. Fraser lives in our minds.

Cor xx



Sweden  
6080 Posts

**Will**  
Wasn't born to follow

Posted - 05/06/2007 : 10:59:36



United Kingdom  
7603 Posts

**onemoresipofwine**  
I start counting

of playing a CD on Friday is a wonderful thing to do and Heather is very touched by that.

We look forward to meeting whoever can manage on Friday - and anyone is welcome to come to the Rembrandt even if they cannot / pre to come to the crematorium.

Warmest wishes to all.

Will. x.

Posted - 05/06/2007 : 11:52:08

We will be driving up to Manchester first thing Friday to say our Goodbye to Fraser.

Tinkle x

United Kingdom  
7 Posts

**Isparks18**  
Little by little



USA  
132 Posts

**Gypsy Rose Lee**  
I'll try anything

USA  
1535 Posts

Posted - 05/06/2007 : 13:24:14

I get up early so will put on one of Fraser's CD's as soon as possible and remember him with much gratitude. I have so much Dusty stuff because of him. So sorry to lose him.

Linda

Posted - 05/06/2007 : 13:32:16

Hi, Darren

Thank you so much for the Fraser Tribute - I'll listen to it Friday morning here in the U.S. and wish I could be in Manchester.

Love,  
Rosemary

**mssdusty**  
I've got a good thing



USA  
5821 Posts

**Kathy**  
Wasn't born to follow



Australia  
6508 Posts

Posted - 05/06/2007 : 14:37:01

I THINK I AM THE ONLY LTD FAN THAT DOESNT HAVE ANYTHING FROM FRASER.CAN SOMEONE TELL ME PLS. IN AN EMAIL?  
THANKS  
MARY

I only think of the day I Met Dusty and MY pains go away.IT's Great!

Posted - 05/06/2007 : 14:51:43

Mary there are a couple of items to download on LTD just recently. One is a compilation of Frasers recordings which has recently been put together called Dusty sings Motown Live! it has some songs on it I have never heard Dusty sing. When you download that you will have something to play on Friday to honour Fraser's memory 😊 The other is a tribute to Fraser put together by his friend Darren, the songs are specially selected and the artwork (which is also downloadable) is beautiful. Both are wonderful tributes to Fraser's contribution to LTD and provide a lovely keepsake of our time with his company.

xx  
Kathy

"I sometimes smile when I think of how I looked then..."

**daydreamer**  
Moderator



United Kingdom  
5404 Posts

**MattMidd1**  
I've got a good thing

United Kingdom  
4270 Posts

Posted - 05/06/2007 : 16:09:28

Tinkle I'm really pleased you are going to be there and so sorry that I can't be. I had lunch with Will and Heather today and obviously we a lot about Fraser. I'll be there in spirit.

Carole x

"Since you went away, I've been hanging around...."

Posted - 05/06/2007 : 16:55:59

quote:

Originally posted by TIGGER

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<http://www.megaupload.com/?d=OH8BUNYJ>

With Love  
Darren

Thanks for this! I'm just downloading it now 😊

Matt



United Kingdom  
4270 Posts

**Sophie**  
Where am I going?  
★★★

2302 Posts

**humboldt**  
I'll try anything  
★★



United Kingdom  
1704 Posts

**Will**  
Wasn't born to follow  
★★★★★



United Kingdom  
7603 Posts

**boztiggs**  
Where am I going?  
★★★



United Kingdom  
3367 Posts

**Tim**  
Where am I going?  
★★★



United Kingdom  
3422 Posts

**Rob**  
Administrator  
★★★★★



I'll be playing one of Frasers DVDs that he so kindly sent to me in the car all the way up to sheffield on friday evening 🎧

Matt.

Posted - 05/06/2007 : 20:34:24

i wish i could make it to Manchester, as well - but since that's not possible, i'll join many others in listening to Fraser's tribute on Friday m - thanks for sharing it with us, Darren.

Posted - 05/06/2007 : 22:23:11

Hi. In case you missed it please take a look at this link to The FRASER Project.

[http://www.dustyspringfield.info/forum/topic.asp?TOPIC\\_ID=1733](http://www.dustyspringfield.info/forum/topic.asp?TOPIC_ID=1733)

John

Edited by - humboldt on 05/06/2007 22:24:04

Posted - 06/06/2007 : 14:52:47

Hi everyone and thanks ever so much for all the messages, which mean a lot to Heather. As you will appreciate, this is a very difficult tim her more than for anyone, so please keep her in your thoughts as the week progresses.

At the moment we are busy sorting stuff out at Fraser's flat - so many CD's and DVD's!! There is a great deal to be done prior to the fune itself but we are being very productive and Heather is astonishing - a quite remarkable lady.

And for anyone who is able to attend on Friday - please come and say hello as we would love to be able to put faces to some of the nam

With kind regards to you all -

Heather and Will x

Posted - 07/06/2007 : 19:30:40

my thoughts will be with all concerned tomorrow.

neil

" Here in the gloom, of my lonely room, i hold his photograph and pray ill see him soon oh-oh"

Posted - 07/06/2007 : 20:59:09

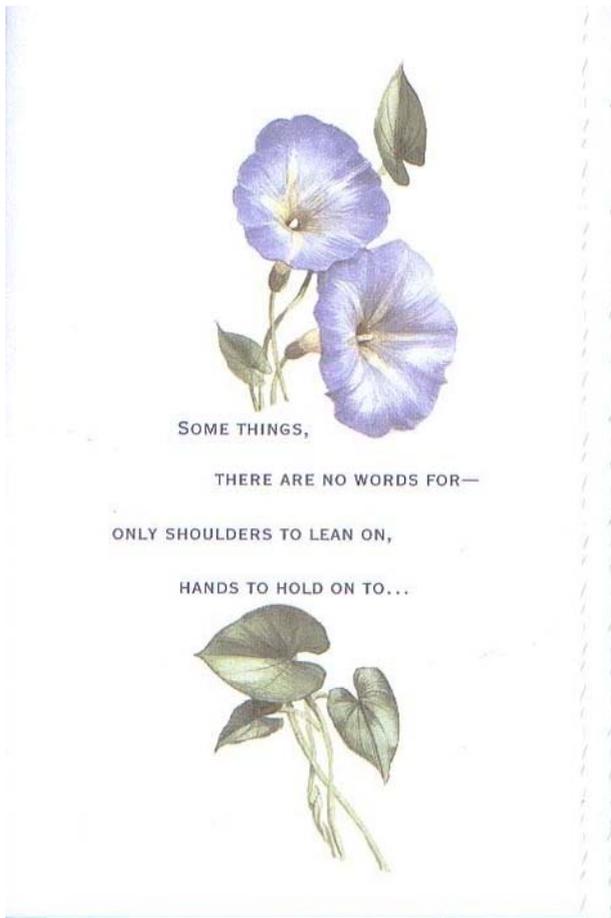
And mine.

Posted - 08/06/2007 : 00:15:59

For Fraser



United Kingdom  
4205 Posts



Posted - 08/06/2007 : 09:08:56

Beautiful.

John

**humboldt**  
I'll try anything  
★★



United Kingdom  
1704 Posts

**Laura**  
Administrator  
★★★

Posted - 08/06/2007 : 09:59:30

That is gorgeous Rob thank you...

Love, Laura xx



United Kingdom  
3075 Posts



[http://web.mac.com/mused\\_violetfly](http://web.mac.com/mused_violetfly)

Posted - 08/06/2007 : 10:56:10

Playing Dusty. Thinking of Fraser.

Thanks for everything, Fraser. You won't be forgotten.

R.I.P.

Cor xx

**Corinna**  
Forum Admin  
★★★★★



Sweden  
6080 Posts

**Laura**  
Administrator  
★★★

Posted - 08/06/2007 : 11:11:12

Yeah I'm playing the great collection put together by John and thinking of Fraser

Rest in Peace Fraser xx

Love, Laura



http://web.mac.com/mused\_violefly

**Kathy**  
Wasn't born to follow  
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**Sophie**  
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**dusty\_freak**  
I've got a good thing  
★★★★★



Australia  
5805 Posts

**Rob**  
Administrator  
★★★★★



United Kingdom  
4205 Posts

Posted - 08/06/2007 : 11:20:06

Me too, the tribute CD is playing. Thanks for all the memories you left Fraser. RIP

xx  
Kathy

"I sometimes smile when I think of how I looked then..."

Posted - 08/06/2007 : 11:55:33

Fraser's CDs are playing here, as well - R.I.P., and thank you for the music - you will be missed.

Posted - 08/06/2007 : 12:45:17

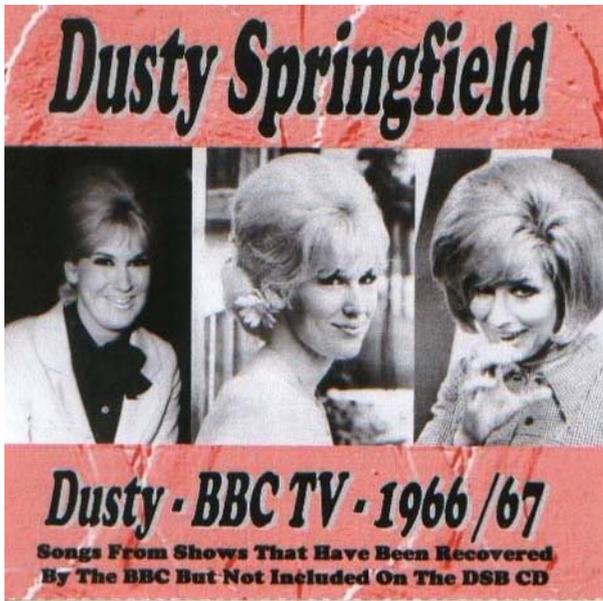
Thanks for all the great music Fraser, rest in peace buddy.

Clare xoxo

"Put it in a letter, if that'll make it better..."

Posted - 08/06/2007 : 18:23:47

I played this one



**Tom Lovett**  
Little by little  
★



United Kingdom  
944 Posts

Posted - 08/06/2007 : 19:59:45

I'm playing  
Shoulda, Woulda, Coulda Been Singles CD prepared for Dusty Day 17 April 2005.

Just a brilliant choice of songs.

RIP, Fraser.

Tom.

In sparkle gown, perfection, spinning impossible arcs of vibrato through smouldering waves of invisible sound.

**allherfaces**  
Administrator  
★★★★★



USA  
14235 Posts

**Will**  
Wasn't born to follow

Posted - 08/06/2007 : 23:13:53

What shocking and sad news to return home to. Fraser was a fine man, a good person, and a brilliant and generous Dusty fan. May he rest in peace.

I too have fond memories of meeting Fraser and am a proud owner of his many compilations.

Nancy

Posted - 09/06/2007 : 19:35:31



United Kingdom  
7603 Posts

The funeral service itself was lovely and precisely as Fraser would have wanted - simple, to the point, and accompanied by the astonishing voice of Miss Dusty Springfield, singing "I'm Going Back" and "Its Over". Cas and Tinkle attended the funeral and it was wonderful to meet. At the reception afterwards, we spent a few hours recounting various tales and exploits about Fraser and his activities in relation to Dust. Amid the tears, there was also much laughter and new friendships were forged that day which I hope will continue for a long time to come.

Heather had asked that Fraser's funeral flowers be taken from his coffin and placed at the Hope Monument next to Canal Street and this was done. Each of us took a flower from the wreath and will keep these as a little memento of the day. I have photos of the flowers and also of the eulogy and when time permits, I will post these for anyone who is interested.

Heather was deeply moved by the day's events but heartened and consoled to know that so many were thinking of Fraser and of her yes! as we attended his funeral. On her behalf, I would like to extend the most heartfelt thanks to all here for your invaluable support, kindness, soothing words and supportive thoughts and good wishes - THANKYOU.

With the warmest regards to each and every one of you -

Will x

Edited by - Will on 10/06/2007 00:32:32

**allherfaces**  
Administrator  
★★★★★



USA  
14235 Posts

Posted - 09/06/2007 : 19:55:20

Thank you Will for the lovely report of Fraser's service. I know that all of his friends here, myself included, would be touched to read the eulogy and see any photographs you have.

I am so glad you got to meet Cas and Tinkle, and I imagine your friendships will continue, and that Fraser would like that.

Love  
Nancy

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