



## David Spargur

April 24, 1953 - June 26, 2015

David J. Spargur, 62, of Kankakee, died June 26 at his home.

Born in Kankakee on April 24, 1953, David was an accomplished musician, as well as a friend and patron of the independent music community. While working in his real estate business as owner and broker of SSR Realty, Inc. in Bourbonnais, he welcomed aspiring musicians into his home studio to cut albums of their own.

“I came away with a lifetime worth of memories and stories,” said Zack Grant of Urbana, Ill. “All that was possible because of Dave Spargur. He recorded us for free, promoted us for free, booked us a gig in Malibu for free. Everyone needs that person in their life to believe in them and nudge them along the way.”

Spargur also hosted several open mic sessions and performed in various musical groups in Kankakee. “His open mic is where I started playing music around here,” said Jon Thill, a bandmate of one of Spargur’s recent groups, Citizens Arrest. “During one of the rehearsals, Dave helped me find God,” said Thill. “That rehearsal not only changed my life, but the life of my family as well.”

David is preceded in death by his father, Marvin Spargur, and his mother, Cecilia “Sis” Spargur, both of Kankakee. Surviving are his wife, Maria del Pilar; four brothers, Daniel Spargur (Kim Pool) of Chicago, Steven Spargur of Bourbonnais, Bryan Spargur of Kankakee, and Craig Spargur of Houston; and cousin Mike Chaney (Marlene) of Coral Reef, Fla. Spargur also expressed

special love for his Acevedo in-laws, including parents, brothers, sisters, and many nieces and nephews; and his close friends Bob Rubenstein, Mark Deneau, and Tom Evoniuk of Malibu, Calif., James Riordan of Herscher, Drew Horn of Bradley, and the late Wayne Kendall.

Spargur will be remembered for his gentleness, his generosity, and his willingness to help anyone in need. In May of this year, Spargur's family and friends hosted a live music event, Real Music for David Spargur, featuring more than 19 local bands at On the Rox in Kankakee. David considered that event a tribute of the best kind, because he was able to see and experience all the support and love so many people had for him. He did not want a public memorial service. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made at his tribute site, [GoFundMe.com/DavidSpargur](https://GoFundMe.com/DavidSpargur) .

# Tribute Wall



“ *David Spargur*

February 03, 2023 at 04:30 AM



“ *Dave was a good man, kind to all, and he will be missed.*

**Bob Schneider** - June 29, 2015 at 11:41 AM



“ *Deborah Dameron lit a candle in memory of David Spargur*



**Deborah Dameron** - June 29, 2015 at 10:59 AM