

**Off topic**

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**Wulfgang** #1 March 20, 2020, 5:28pm

Hello, friends! It's been quite some time since I've found myself on SU&SD. Some of you may remember me as the eldest child of one of your beloved mods. Which brings me to the point of me coming back.

It is with a heavy heart that I say to you all that **MinuteWalt** peacefully passed away in his sleep this passed Monday morning on March 9th. He was very ill for some time, and is now no longer in pain. He was 46 years old, but lived a fulfilling life, fathering two beautiful children, myself and my kid brother. Our family held a Celebration of Life on March 14th at our home where he lived, and many of his friends and family came. We will bury his ashes next to his late cat's burial, and are planning to take some of his remains in a tiny urn to Universal Studios on his birthday, where I'm going to buy him his Ravenclaw wizarding robes since he was never able to do it himself. (Of course, that may now have to wait until next year.)

During the celebration, I was able to recite a eulogy I had written about my father, and would like to share it with all of you.

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**Justin's Epic Battle**

By Mateo ■ . ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■

*In memory of my father, Justin ■■■■■■.*  
*May 19, 1973 – March 9, 2020*

There once lived a great man named Justin ■■■■■■ ■■■■■■. He was a gentle creature; caring with children, wicked sense of humour, propensity for many things. He was a hobbyist, an intellect, a renaissance man, and most importantly, an incredible father. But unfortunately for him, a plague haunted his family. A plague known as the Grand Thom.

The Grand Thom was a gluttonous and violent tyrant, mean and brooding, and wouldn't hesitate to raise a hand against a woman or child. This beast had been the bane of Justin's family for decades, nearly half a century, and Justin had had enough. It was time he set out on a quest for an epic battle to end it once and for all.

For three treterous weeks, Justin treaded and crawled alone across the land in search of the Grand Thom, rarely stopping for food or water, allowing his determination and the idea of his children to pull him through. Approaching the heart of a desolate waste land, Justin knew he had reached his destination, for there he was in the flourish of an imposing silhouette: the Grand Thom. Both men positioned themselves a few feet apart, raised their fists, and the battle began.

Justin wielded his skills in the martial arts, throwing tactical jabs and kicks, only for them to be dodged masterfully by the Grand Thom's drunken monkey style. But Justin was quick to adapt and managed to land a paralyzing hit to back of the Grand Thom's knee, rendering him prone. The tyrant chuckled and peered up to meet Justin's fiery gaze. "You think you've bested me, foolish man? This is merely the beginning of this petty quarrel, and I can promise you that you will not make it out of here alive." Justin took the moment to stretch and massage his ankles, and he jested. "Get bent, old

mao. die, I was taking you down with me." The Grand Thom chuckled again, progressing loudly into maniacal laughter. "AHAHAHA! OLD MAN??? YOU DARE TO DISRESPECT MY AUTHORITY??? HAVE AT THEE, THEN!" And he unsheathed his rapier, throwing aside his cape. Justin cracked a witty grin and unsheathed his own rapier, thus commencing the second wind of battle.

Through the *shinging* and clashing of swords, slowly inching towards a cliff, Justin was as glorious as a Musketeer fencing against the cardinal. "How does your authority like the taste of my silver, Ganondoof?" Justin teased. The Grand Thom parried. "Tastes like a dull butter knife!" Suddenly, Justin's foot slipped beneath him, pulling him down the face of the cliff before he grabbed a stray branch jutting out from beside him. "Justin, no! Take my hand!" The Grand Thom quickly extended his free arm, offering his hand to the hanging man. Justin hesitated. He was stuck between a straight fall and the seemingly genuine concern of his enemy. What was he to do? He bit his tongue and while still clinging to his rapier, lunged his arm into the grasp of his opponent.

The Grand Thom effortlessly lifted Justin to safety and ominously bellowed a roaring laugh. "You fool," he hissed, and drove his sword into Justin's liver and kidney. Justin staggered back in agony, dismayed he had been had by a lowly charlatan. As the boustris beast bellowed above him, Justin took the opening. He flicked his rapier in one final show of skill and pierced the Grand Thom's cold heart, square in the middle. The Grand Thom gaged, taken aback, clinging to his chest. "Who's the fool now?" The Grand Thom was speechless. He had been defeated.

As the Grand Thom's now lifeless body slumped over in the red-spattered dirt, Justin let out a deep breath, grateful that his family would no longer suffer such hardships. He began to travel back, growing weaker from his injuries. He eventually came to a glorious camphor tree, the Forest Guardian of the Wood, and laid to rest. As he drifted off, he began to dream of all the great adventures he had with his friends and family. He dreamed of meeting his best friends, of the fun vacations he took, of his wedding, of his birthdays, of children's births. He was overcome with gratefulness and utter sanctuary, when finally, he drew his last breath, and his spirit drifted further and further up the Forest Guardian, making its way back amongst the cosmos above.

*[Family and friends: Let us take the time to remember this man as he was. The time he had in this vessel may be over, but the memory of him will always been in our minds and his spirit within our heart. Thank you for keeping him company.]*

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My partner and I were able to speak with my father's spirit (if you believe in that stuff) about a day after his passing. I was able to gain a lot of closure, and while this isn't an easy thing for me to deal with, I'm doing my best to stay strong. I know that he and I will be together again in the afterlife.

And thank you guys here on SU&SD. My father talked about you all quite a bit, and it was clear that he saw friends in all of you. You guys really made his time here on Earth a lot of fun. 😊

43 Likes

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## Selfie Thread!

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Griffster77 #2 March 20, 2020, 5:36pm

Wow sorry to hear that. He was a lovely man

**pillbox** #3 March 20, 2020, 5:38pm

I'm incredibly sorry for your loss.

Justin was a constant source of brightness and entertainment here on the forums and I doubt it compares in the slightest to him in the real world.

He was one of the most generous and welcoming people I've ever had the pleasure of meeting and he will be greatly missed.

17 Likes

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**lovvbar** #4 March 20, 2020, 5:48pm

Woah.

That's terrible, my condolences and all of my best thoughts and wishes.

He was such a positive and welcoming presence in this forum and he will absolutely be missed, I'm not sure this community will be quite the same again. I hope you're all doing well.

He's the one who gave me the tag "Bear Master" in my very early days here on the forum...

13 Likes

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**RossM** #5 March 20, 2020, 6:07pm

To echo others, he always had time for us, and gave us strength. He will be sorely missed by all of us.

15 Likes

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**whistle\_pig** #6 March 20, 2020, 6:18pm

I'm so sorry for your loss. Thank you for sharing the eulogy with us. His absence will be felt here keenly.

12 Likes

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**tomm\_archer** #7 March 20, 2020, 6:30pm

I only got to know him recently and he was incredibly supportive of me and my craft. I hope he got to enjoy the trinkets I sent him. My condolences.

**Assussanni** #8 March 20, 2020, 6:35pm

I didn't know him well but it was clear that he was held in high esteem on these forums. I'm sorry for your loss; may he rest in peace. That eulogy was wonderful. Take care.

11 Likes

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**captbnut** #9 March 20, 2020, 6:47pm

I'm sorry for your loss. Such lovely words.

I'm raising a glass (and a meeple) tonight

11 Likes

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**Wulfgang** #10 March 20, 2020, 7:16pm

Thank you, everyone, so much for your kind words. My father appreciated each and everyone of you, so I'm sure he'd be as moved by your condolences as I am. It means a lot, thank you. ❤️

17 Likes

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**brattyjedi** #11 March 20, 2020, 7:40pm

To echo others, I'm very sorry for your loss. He was a wonderful presence here on the boards who will be greatly missed.

12 Likes

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**Marx09** #12 March 20, 2020, 7:49pm

My deepest condolences. He will be missed.

11 Likes

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**Scribbs** #13 March 20, 2020, 7:52pm

Thank you for sharing the very sad news. He will be sorely missed. My deepest condolences to you.

11 Likes

**UllinBethalto** #14 March 20, 2020, 8:17pm



10 Likes

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**Yashima** #15 March 20, 2020, 8:17pm

I am so sorry for your loss.

Justin immediately made me feel welcome when I joined the forums half a year ago and he was unfailingly kind and thoughtful in whatever he wrote.

I was proud when he gave me the tag „bluest of skies“. He said it was based on a selfie I posted, but I feel he saw beyond the picture.

He will be missed.

14 Likes

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**Sagantine** #16 March 20, 2020, 8:27pm

Justin was a really sweet man, a genuinely excellent human being, and a good friend to everyone here. So unbelievably kind and welcoming. It's not a big enough commendation, but he was the best forum moderator ever. Damn I'm going to miss seeing him around here.

I am glad I got to know him a little tiny bit. My condolences to you and your family in this difficult time.

11 Likes

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**fodder256** #17 March 20, 2020, 8:37pm

Justin was excellent to me when I joined the forum and in all of the play by forum games we were in together.

Thank you for sharing his eulogy and letting us know what happened. As everyone has already said, I'm sorry for your loss.

12 Likes

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**Tika** #19 March 20, 2020, 10:14pm

I'm sorry to hear that he could not take it to SHUX because of the birth certificate issues. I was hoping that he could go this year.

I didn't know about his illness, but it's good that at least his pain is at an end.

Thank you for sharing the news, and my condolences to you and your family. He spoke fondly of you here, too. Please take care of yourself.

19 Likes

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**GeeBizzle** #20 March 20, 2020, 10:40pm

Extremely sad to hear this. Condolences to you and the rest of your family. Stay safe.

12 Likes

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**KIR** #21 March 20, 2020, 10:43pm

I'm sorry for your loss. Such a kind soul. He was only ever positive and encouraging in every message he sent.

Kinda trite as a tribute, but he changed my title only last month after reading one of my posts. Always make me laugh to see it!

14 Likes

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**Boronian** #22 March 20, 2020, 10:51pm

These are such sad news... 😞 I am so sorry for your loss!

He was a founding member of our community here and indeed one of the community's pillars. I met him back when there was no SUSD forums and we all talked in the comments section (Disqus) below the news and game reviews on SUSD. His welcoming, positive, generous, fun (and so much more) character became obvious very soon.

So it was no surprise at all that he become a mod when we finally got the forums (in September 2014) we all wanted and wished for.

His presence and his posts always managed to put a smile on my face. I remember the video he posted where he jumped in his swimming pool and walked through the street to the beach if I remember correctly. It was super funny 😂

There are so many memories to cherish and luckily the forum won't forget them. All his posts portray him and how he was perfectly. We didn't have the pleasure to meet in person but we still met and it all is recorded here like a small memorial.

18 Likes

**MikeimusPrime** #23 March 20, 2020, 11:39pm

That really sucks, even if he's no longer in pain. My condolences to you and your family. And to everyone here on the forums who knew him.

11 Likes

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**Bondy034** #24 March 21, 2020, 3:28am

Really sad news 😞 He will be missed.

11 Likes

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**TheComicQuest** #25 March 21, 2020, 4:28am

Your father was one of the most supportive people I've ever known and that was just in the short interactions I had with him through this forum. From my first post here all the way up to the beginning of this year, it was nothing but constant encouragement. I am sorry he is gone but happy to have been able to know him, however briefly.

I lost my mother a little over a year ago to cancer, and I know how hard it can be, I also know the solace that comes in knowing your parent is no longer in pain, knowing that they can finally rest.

Know that you have friends here, if you ever need to talk.

I wish you and yours the best and I hope you know that Justin will most definitely not be forgotten here.

13 Likes

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**bortmonkey** #26 March 21, 2020, 6:16am

Sad news

13 Likes

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**COMaestro** #27 March 21, 2020, 6:30am

I noticed MinuteWalt had not been active on the forums for a while, and just the other day sent him a message, hoping everything was okay. I am so sorry for your loss.

Justin was everything we could strive to be on these forums: welcoming, friendly, funny, encouraging and supportive, and I can only imagine how much more these attributes must have shined in person. I regret I will never have the opportunity to meet him face to face, but will always cherish the interactions we were able to have here.

**Phil** #28 March 21, 2020, 7:02am

Thank you for writing this [@Wulfgang](#) . My condolences to you and all of your family. Your father was *such* a positive presence in this community – he will be greatly missed, and the place genuinely won't be the same without him. Personally I'll remember him for his love of hilariously terrible jokes (which I believe were frequently inflicted upon you and your brother!), and his great appreciation for films (I feel like movie nights with Justin would have been kinda awesome). More than anything I'll remember how much he welcomed and appreciated everyone here. He certainly isn't going to be forgotten.

13 Likes

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### Forum Bug reports

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**SirAdrian** #30 March 21, 2020, 11:28am

I am very sad to hear this news. It's not a stretch to say that MinuteWalt was the heart of these boards. When I was first posting here, he was always there with a kind word, some repartee or just a like on a post. He seemed to have endless kindness and compassion, and the (virtual) time he spent with me and our interactions here made it a friendly and special place.

I am sorry he has gone, but so glad he was here.

16 Likes

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**RogerBW** #31 March 21, 2020, 11:49am

Not posted before as other people have said it better than I could, but one thing to add: let's keep MinuteWalt's spirit going on these forums, which are already one of the better places on the net.

19 Likes

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**superjaz** #32 March 21, 2020, 1:13pm

I'm so sorry to hear this, and so sorry for you and your families loss.

He has always been supportive and a sympathetic force here. These days there are a lack of that in the world.

He will be missed, and he will be remembered.

12 Likes



**jgf1123** #33 March 21, 2020, 2:43pm

Justin's humor and kindness will be missed here. I am sorry for your loss.

11 Likes

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**Spoof** #34 March 21, 2020, 6:11pm

Even us lurkers will miss his kind and forgiving nature. His was a kindness all should aspire to.

14 Likes

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**AvaFoxfort** #35 March 21, 2020, 6:19pm

Very sad to hear this, and thank you for passing this on. Justin was utterly lovely, and a pleasure to play and talk and share a hobby and a community with. Can honestly say he made the hobby and this place brighter.

Honestly, I think the main thing I want to share is that the first bundle of mods saw how much energy and effort he put into this community and realised he was modding far better than the rest of us, so we made it official, and that's how the leopard got his spots.

Thanks for letting us know, Wulfgang. Know that a lot of hearts and hopes are with you and your family. A lot of love was given and is multiplying a thousand fold across the world. Your dad touched a lot of people and made them happier, made them welcome and showed them kindness and that will live on forever.

23 Likes

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**lis** #36 March 21, 2020, 7:02pm

We were so heartbroken to hear the news. Justin was very much the light of this community and has been such an incredible pillar in our community, as [@COMaestro](#) beautifully described. Our hearts are with you and your family, thank you so much for sharing your words with us all. Justin is absolutely an honoured part of SU&SD and we are all so grateful for the time, care, and heart he shared here over the years. He will truly be missed.

18 Likes

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**brian** #37 March 22, 2020, 3:04am

Thank you for reaching out to us, Mateo. Justin was a dear friend, a being of joy and light and terrible puns brought to us through the magic of internet text. Know that we feel his loss keenly, and that we share in your grief. May you and he and all of his loved ones find peace, in time.

**deathchop** #38 March 22, 2020, 11:31am

One of the nicest and most engaging people I've ever encountered on any forum, he brought such positivity and made even a habitual lurker like myself feel welcome - thank you [@MinuteWalt](#)

10 Likes

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**Sihoiba** #39 March 23, 2020, 8:37pm

Sorry for your loss. He was incredibly welcoming when I joined here, and I'm sure he will leave a permanent positive mark on this community

11 Likes

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**felix** #40 March 24, 2020, 11:10am

Boronian:

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I took a quick look at his profile and found the video. It's incredibly funny and heartfelt and really really lovely:

### Selfie Thread!

My selfie for all my friends at SU&SD. I recorded this in April, but was embarrassed to actually upload it. Things happened that made me realize I needed to put this out there because SU&SD is a big part of my life. My oldest son was the one behind the camera when I wasn't holding it myself, we thought it was fun to have "the crew" switch back-and-forth with the camera in a one-take selfie where you never see the "crew" behind the lens (it was mostly me holding the camera, but my kid traded o...

Do click through and watch if you'd like to enjoy his presence.

As with a lot of people here, I only interacted directly with minutewalt briefly but he was so genuine and nice. I'll wear my "lucky" title with pride remembering that it comes from him 😊

13 Likes

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My dear Justin,  
i will honour you in the most ridiculous way I can think of, and I imagine, that's the way you wanted it.  
So pictured above is the latest edition to my sock-stock  
and this word is my latest edition to the appreciation of juicy words.  
The words Sock Stock make you feel the round openings of your socks and imply cosiness and  
warmth. A feeling I always had talking to you. Thank you for being in my life.  
All the best in the far beyond; I can't wait to see you again.  
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21 Likes

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**Boydesian** #42 March 24, 2020, 1:51pm

I am so sorry. I just saw this and am a bit shaken. Your Dad was a good friend to me, and I will miss him. We met face to face once a few years ago while I was in FL looking after my own father. That was a good and happy day in the midst of an emotionally grueling period for me. He was able to cheer me up when I really needed it. There's too much to say, but I can't right now. I'll just say that I will miss your Dad. Please accept my best wishes to you and your family in this time of sadness.

24 Likes

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**FunkJem** #43 March 24, 2020, 8:01pm

He was a shining soul, and lit up these forums. I lost my parents in quick succession recently, and he helped me through it. Please accept my condolences and the best to you and your family. He was

14 Likes

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**Wulfgang** #44 March 24, 2020, 10:12pm

Your comment embodies him perfectly. When I was sorting through his clothes, I can't begin to tell you how many argyle socks he had, most missing their other half. 😂

14 Likes

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**Wulfgang** #45 March 24, 2020, 10:12pm

Bless you. Thank you so much for being his friend. I remember when you came to visit, and I wish I could have met you. Feel free to visit when you can!

11 Likes

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**Gungeon** #46 March 25, 2020, 12:56am

I just don't know where to begin. Only just seen this. Such terrible news, but thank you [@Wulfgang](#) for letting us all know. I was worried about Justin a while back and so messaged him. It wasn't long ago that we were discussing playing D&D with our children (lucky you to have had such a cool, creative GM dad 😊) and he sent me a link on exactly this topic. I was so enthralled by his passion for story telling, fun and engaging monsters that he had created, that I said if he ever did a forum RP please sign me up first! I feel selfish now, to think that I'll never get to enjoy that story he would have created. But it would have been epic! Haha!

I see you have your fathers talent for creative writing. An awesome trait! Such a vivid and moving story you wrote. Thank you so much for sharing.

Justin had such a positive presence on the SU&SD boards, that when he wasn't around you noticed. A massive personality that you just wanted to chat to as he was so gregarious. I've only been on these boards over a year I think, but your father was genuinely a reason I kept coming back, he was a top bloke. I loved the banter we had! Just as many, many friends here have said, he was the one to give me my title. He opened his message to me with "I'm so sorry..." it was hilarious and we threw more messages back and forth in good natured nonsense. I smile now, sitting here just recalling the exchanges we had.

He was what was **GOOD** about the Internet.

Such a force for good should never, shall never, be forgotten.

Here's to you Justin.

My friend.

25 Likes

**Pravikun** #47 March 27, 2020, 5:02am

No...

I...just found this out now and I don't have time to write anything now because it's late and I have to work. I will...post something here appropriate as soon as I have time.

12 Likes

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**LaLunaVerde** #48 March 27, 2020, 10:34am

I haven't seen this until now. With my limited interactions with him in this forum, he is a wonderful man. I'm sorry for the loss.

11 Likes

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**shaky\_jk** #49 March 28, 2020, 7:59am

I'm deeply sorry for your loss.

Your dad was the most warmly engaging, welcoming, encouraging person I've had the pleasure of encountering online; and I feel I only scratched the surface of knowing him from the short time our paths have crossed. But I'm glad to have had the pleasure of meeting him, however remotely. Posting a pun in the joke thread's not going to have the same element of danger without having to dodge the mighty ban hammer.

12 Likes

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**nerdvsgame** #50 March 29, 2020, 9:29am

I haven't been on the forums a lot lately and only found out. I am deeply sorry for your loss.

To be honest, I didn't even know MinuteWalt went by the name of Justin but still he had such a great influence on my everyday life. I love these forums because of the people that fill this place with life, the way people treat each other, the positivity. Justin really stood out in the best possible way and made me feel welcome from the very start.

13 Likes

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**Pravikun** #51 March 29, 2020, 7:20pm

So I've had the time to process all this and first off let me say to Wulfgang and the rest of the family that I am so sorry for your loss. He was the sweetest and most endearing man I've ever had the privilege of talking to. He sent me a private message out of the blue in August of 2017, telling my

how much he missed my cats and the one thing he was a cool person and posted neat things to the forum boards. I didn't mention it to him until two years later, though I did eventually tell him last year, but during the time he sent me that private message I wasn't in a very good space. And coming online to read that I ended up crying and then afterwards I felt a lot better. And he didn't even know it at the time he sent that message, but it meant a lot to me then and it still does now.

He will be missed dearly, by so many people I'm sure. I know I miss him and I felt just devastated to learn he was gone. I'm not sure what else to say beyond the fact he had such a positive impact on this place and the people here. He will be remembered and never forgotten.

24 Likes

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**COMaestro** #52 March 30, 2020, 1:23am

It is great that we can be here for each other in ways like this, without the other even knowing it. Your story reminded me that I randomly received a message out of the blue one day, going on 2 years ago now, from Justin, thanking me for some silly post I had made which made him laugh, and that he had really needed it at that time. It felt good knowing I brought a little joy into someone's life.

And with that, I want to say "thank you" to everyone on these forums for bringing some joy into my life, sometimes at utterly random times, and sometimes when I really need it.

24 Likes

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**VictorViper** #53 April 1, 2020, 3:22pm

I'm so sorry I'm just seeing this now. I had been quietly worried about our resident jokester (oh, and mod) for some time. My deepest condolences for your loss. For all of our loss. "Walt" was a beautiful soul and a total oddball, and I loved him for it. He will be greatly missed.

*"Let us endeavor to live that when we come to die even the undertaker will be sorry." - Twain*

11 Likes

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**RossM** #54 April 1, 2020, 4:44pm

Cross Posting from the main SU&SD page...

SU&SD:

We talk a lot about community at Shut Up & Sit Down, and that's because for a while we've been aware that it isn't us that makes this place special: it's the people who congregate around the fringes of our work that drive us to keep on making more of it. This week we're extremely sad to report that one of the most beloved members of this community recently passed away, peacefully, after a long-term illness.

MinuteWalt was an integral part of the forums, and while we sadly never got the chance to meet him in person ourselves, from what we've seen it is strikingly clear that the light he provided to the forum community went above and beyond everything we care about and strive for: always there to welcome new members, an ear for anyone who needed it, and providing the careful, calm touch required to defuse hot heads; to turn people around.



He was also the kind of person who used a timer to snap a selfie in which they appeared as a mad scientist riding a scooter. Though we never met, it's safe to say that MinuteWalt was truly *one of us*.

We would like to offer our condolences to his family, and to those in the community particularly struggling with this unexpected and terrible loss. We were unbelievably lucky to have someone like MinuteWalt spreading his brightness here, and can only offer love and solidarity to those affected in this difficult time.

17 Likes

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**Hammond** #55 April 2, 2020, 1:17am

I'm so sorry to hear about Justin's passing from this plane of existence. He was always the first to check in with me if I had been away for a while, and ready to be a welcoming and supportive voice to anyone who popped into the forums. He bestowed upon me the best title, and for that I am grateful. I know that he will be missed by anyone fortunate enough to have any interaction with him over the years. Thank you [@MinuteWalt](#) for being you. 🥰

12 Likes

**Derelict** #56 April 2, 2020, 1:59am

I'm sorry that I only heard about this today, thanks to the post on the main page.

My sincere condolences for your loss!

As others of have said, Justin (or as many of us knew him, MinuteWalt), was always an incredibly welcoming and positive presence.

From the supportive posts, to the corny jokes, he was the type of person that reminded you, there *are* good people on the internet.

I remember the day he dubbed me *Unintentional Deviant*. He sent me a PM to let me know, and said he hoped it was ok! I told him not only was it ok, that was the day I really felt like I was part of community.

That was what he did, he went out of his way to make everyone here feel included, and part of something. From everything I've read, it sounds like he did that in every aspect of his life.

I can only imagine what you're going through, but I hope that it helps ease your pain ever so slightly to know what a positive impact he had on many of us here.

13 Likes

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**brattyjedi** #57 April 2, 2020, 2:15am

Derelict:

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Similar when he gave me my moniker. He checked in to make sure it was ok and I told him I thought "extraordinaire" in particular was just a fantastic word and I loved it. True to form, his response was a joy-filled "Yay! I did good!"

11 Likes

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**MrJackdaw** #58 April 2, 2020, 5:39am

I haven't been near the forums recently, so this news has just reached me. I... can't understand this. How? Why? It's not fair. 18 months ago I was suffering badly, and couldn't turn to my friends over here in the Uk for complex reasons. So, I messaged Justin. He got back to me, gave me great advice and made me feel loved to be honest.

I'll miss you Justin.

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**mistercrayon** #59 April 2, 2020, 6:30am

Agh. This is awful. 😞

I hope everyone is doing as well as can be.

10 Likes

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**Habilis** #60 April 3, 2020, 3:41pm

I'm very sorry for the loss to his family and to our community. He was a voice of kindness, inclusion, reason, and abject silliness. He will be sorely missed and I hope we all will do our best to carry on in emulation for as long as we can in this absurd and difficult period, and beyond. Best of wishes to all of you, and stay safe.

13 Likes

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**mutechair** #61 April 3, 2020, 3:48pm

brattyjedi:

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I also had the same kind of experience. If you'll tolerate the self-absorption, I looked at my profile and was moved to see how many times he liked my jokes. That speaks to his generosity, if not his taste.

16 Likes

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**michaelg** #62 April 14, 2020, 9:13am

My sincerest condolences, [@Wulfgang](#) , and thank you for sharing that moving eulogy.

I'd never met [@MinuteWalt](#) in person and probably interacted with him only a handful of times, but I still feel a tremendous sense of loss.

I think this is because I saw in him man whose kindness and fairness touched people's hearts around the world probably more than he would ever have realised.

9 Likes

**Annic** #63 April 14, 2020, 11:13am

I haven't frequented the forums as much lately, and having read about MinuteWalt made me very sad. You have written down some nice words [@Wulfgang](#), your father made me feel very welcome on this forum. It is not often that you meet people online, never seeing them in person or actually speaking with them and still sense that this is a very, very kind soul that you are interacting with. I, and many others as I've read in this thread, did feel exactly that. He touched us through his kindness and jokes and made us part of one of the friendliest online communities I have participated in. Gently steering topics when needed and always helping out new members (like myself), making them feel welcome and belong.

I too am proud of the title he gave me and sad that I never replied to the last time he replied directly to me in a thread I started, because I felt exactly the same way. But that is how things go. I hope you cope with your loss, for me there is a big gap in our community that will not be filled easily.

10 Likes

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**OakMantle** #64 April 23, 2020, 9:29am

I haven't used these forums in a long time and this is some really tough news to come back to. [@MinuteWalt](#) was a really positive and welcoming figure in the forums and will be really be missed.

I hope you are holding up ok.

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7 Likes

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**BertFill** #65 April 30, 2020, 4:50pm

I'd just like to say (belatedly and before these forums disappear) how sorry I was to hear this news. The 'What do you get if you cross a joke with a rhetorical question?' thread has been (quite seriously - although it's hardly a serious place) perhaps my very favourite place on the whole internet, largely because of MinuteWalt.

Your dad made me laugh. A lot.

11 Likes

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