



# Todd Jonathan Lassen

December 11, 1953 - April 18, 2021

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“ Jonathan Todd in Maui Hawaii purchased the Cheeseboard Complete for the family of Todd Jonathan Lassen.



Jonathan Todd - May 16 at 09:42 PM

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“ My deepest sadness at the passing of my friend Todd Jonathan Lassen. My name is sort of his inverse as his is Todd Jonathan (Lassen) and I am Jonathan Todd! We joked about this all the time. Never got old.

For years he helped get me the gaffs I craved and we fought many battles together. I helped him fight the battles on the Magic Cafe and was his wingman for promotion and marketing. This was unexpected and the craft has lost, IMHO, the single best coin gaff manufacturer ever. RIP my friend and know that we will miss you and value your contribution for generations to come!

Much love my friend!

Jonathan Todd

Jonathan Todd - May 16 at 09:40 PM



“ Aw thank you so much!

Lily Lassen - May 20 at 01:57 PM

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“ Todd showed me kindness on a level I never saw before.

-Nickey Fynn

Nickey Fynn - May 13 at 11:12 AM

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“ Thomas Wakeland lit a candle in memory of Todd Jonathan Lassen



Thomas Wakeland - May 09 at 03:45 PM

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Thomas Wakeland - May 09 at 03:43 PM



“ Will miss you greatly Todd

Thomas Wakeland - May 09 at 03:45 PM



“ Love these pics! Thank you

Lily Lassen - May 20 at 01:56 PM

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“ Through magic, I've known Todd since he first started making props. Like so many others, we would talk on the phone, and I would read his many on-line posts. I always looked forward to reading what he had to say - he had strong opinions, and wasn't shy. He was immensely creative, and phone calls that started out about magic would end up covering many topics. When talking to him in person he was a very grounded, sensible person who was amazed and amused at the foibles of others, which he would share via posts with the small magic community that had formed around him. I will miss him.

Steven Rosenberg

steven rosenberg - May 02 at 12:24 PM

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“ Living only 15 minutes away from Todd allowed me to come visit him and watch his amazing work. The work benches in his shop were always completely covered with coins from all over the world. I always had to be careful not to step on his pet tortoise. Every time I would visit, he would always show me some sleight or routine he was working on. He had such a wild sense of humor. I will miss him.

Peter Donello

Peter Donello - April 26 at 11:10 PM

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“ Qing Qing, Lily, and family,

I'm so heartbroken to hear the news. I met Todd through a friend in magic shortly before I moved to Colorado. I can still remember his response when I told him I was thinking of moving up to Fort Collins: "Come on!" He always treated me like family from then on. Or at least it felt that way. That was just his style.

After moving to Colorado, I would occasionally take my wife Sunetra for visits to the Lassen house. Those were some great times, and my wife still says he made the best cappuccino she's ever had.

I'll always remember his very discerning taste: he knew about the best restaurants and breweries, and he introduced me to some great music, like Buckethead. It also seemed like he knew so many people – literally from a neighbor named Dave to a Dave named Neighbors. From time to time, he would call saying he heard of something that could help with a health problem my wife or I was dealing with. I don't know if he ever knew how much that, or any of the other things, meant to me. And then there was all of his great work with the coins, magic props, and other devices.

Sunetra and I are really going to miss him.

He was one of a kind, and he lived on his own terms. The example he set was memorable and inspiring. That was just his style.

Condolences,

Clay Hallman

Clay Hallman - April 25 at 01:41 PM

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“ I first met Todd when I and a fellow performer spent three weeks in Boulder a few years back - performing on Pearl Street en route to Vegas and eventually the coast.

He treated us like family, plied us with food, drink, and hospitality - and treated my dog as his own. It was also the first time my dog ever saw a turtle. :)

Todd's joie de vivre was infectious.

My condolences to everyone who had Todd as an integral cog in their day-to-day lives.

I know from even my little experience with him that he will be deeply missed.

Sincerely,  
Dartagnan

**Dartagnan** - April 22 at 03:59 PM

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“ It was the early 90's when I looked out the window of my magic shop & saw this guy riding a bike with a beautiful little blond haired girl on the back. Somehow I knew this guy! They came into the shop & we learned that 20+ years ago Todd was in my class at the Bettendorf Middle School (1968). We reacquainted ourselves and over time Todd became very interested in magic. He was a machinist and gravitated toward coin magic after making a few brass pieces of close up magic for me which was very generous of him. I could see his attention to detail, creativity, and precision in his work. We grew to be good friends and I was so disappointed when he chose to move to Colorado. I will miss Todd and our long conversations on the phone. Look at the smile on that face!! May GOD bless you and rest in peace my dear friend. My condolences to Lily and the rest of Todd's family. Jerry Phillips

**Jerry Phillips** - April 22 at 02:48 PM



“ Aw brings back memories! So many days we spent at your magic shop. That's where it all started. Good to hear from you Jerry thank you

**Lily Lassen** - April 22 at 04:58 PM

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“ I only knew Mr. Lassen through his coin gaff making but his creations reflected his great creativity and desire for perfection. My condolences to his family in your time of loss and my best wishes to Lily for a full and speedy recovery.  
Eric J. Murray

**Eric J. Murray** - April 22 at 07:49 AM



“ Thank you so much!

**Lily Lassen** - April 22 at 04:59 PM

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“ I miss my Dad so much. Life will never be the same for me without him here. I have so many good memories with my dad that I will cherish forever. He was a very unique kind of person who left his impression on everyone he met! I'm so thankful his grandkids knew him and spent time with him every summer. They will also never forget visiting him in colorado or him coming to visit us, or going to winsconsin dells. I spent many hours on the phone with my dad we could talk about anything and everything! He was so talented with his work and always inventing new things. I remember him helping me with inventions in school he could come up with something awesome so quickly! He will be greatly missed by many friends and family!



**Lily Lassen** - April 21 at 10:51 PM



“ Oh Lilly. I'm so sorry for this loss. Your dad was always so nice when I saw him. I pray your dad and Grandpa Hank are hanging out chatting and enjoying heaven. - Your cousin, Jen Schnipke (Sylvia's middle daughter)

**Jennifer Schnipke** - April 22 at 11:25 AM



“ Hi Lilly, I am a friend of your dads. I am so sorry for your loss and to get this news. Your dad was definately a unique man! He was his own breed for sure! Would not bend for anybody. :) Usually, we would go get some lunch and beers, go back to the house and shoot pool. I'm sure you know that he was 110% against "the mask". That was always an exciting time knowing that we were going to go get some food and most likely will be told to get out. 90% of the time that is exactly what happened. Ha! The last time it happened was at a bbq joint in Lyons. The guy told us we needed masks and that we had to go outside and order. Your dad said something to that guy that I can not post here. It was one of the funniest things I have ever heard someone say to somebody else and in "Todd" fashion he said it nice and loud so the whole restaurant could hear! I thought I was going to completely fall apart laughing! I razzed him about that for a few weeks. After that we went and got a burger down the street. If you want to email me I will send you verbatim what he told that guy. I'm willing to guess you would chuckle and shake your head thinking yep!, thats my dad! I'm really going to miss him and those lunches. God bless you all. db  
William.Miller@Kw.com

**Bill Miller** - April 22 at 01:00 PM



“ Aw that's awesome Bill I will email you for sure!

**Lily Lassen** - April 22 at 06:19 PM

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“ Todd became a friend through his interest in coin magic, which became his profession. I will always remember the time we spent together at my magic shop and Saturday magicians brunches. Todd was brilliantly creative, terribly funny and a remarkable craftsman. Todd and his family are in my prayers.

**Eric Dany** - April 21 at 06:33 AM

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**Rob Thompson** - April 21 at 06:18 AM

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“ I knew Todd through magic, when I first bought some coin sets I was sold on his true craftsmanship. Over years I came to truly admire and respect him. I can't express how much I will miss him, I can only say I'm damn glad to have known him, my deepest prayers for his family,

Norm M

**Norm Marini** - April 20 at 10:50 PM



“ Thank you Norm!

**Lily Lassen** - April 22 at 05:01 PM

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“ Fair winds and following seas. You will be missed.

**Sean Naes** - April 20 at 07:02 PM