



## Morris Wayne Walker

January 6, 1945 - October 7, 2022

### MORRIS W. WALKER

"The fact I think there is no end, just makes me glad again.

To end is to begin again, begin again. Life." -Morris Walker

On October 7, 2022, at 77 years old, Morris Wayne Walker, passed away peacefully at home. His beloved wife Lynn, and children, Skye and Amoris held his hands as he left earth side for his next adventure. Morris lived an exceptionally full life and was known for his sunny disposition. Morris had two sisters Lesley Rothrock, who passed five months ago, and his twin sister, Marsha O'Brien of Redding, California.

Morris loved people and would take the opportunity to chat with anyone. He enjoyed making new friends everywhere he went. He always said; "People are great!" and he was a shining example of brotherly love.

Morris was a true renaissance man who loved to sing and play his Martin guitar. He wrote hundreds of beautiful songs, published several novels, performed thousands of lively concerts, produced dozens of video productions, created inventions, and painted wonderful murals & paintings. Morris had a magnetic personality and infectious laugh. He and his wife Lynn traveled the world, making dozens of life-long friends along the way.

Morris, lovingly known as "Mo" and "Mopa" was the consummate performer.

When Skye and Amoris were young, they traveled America performing three to four shows a day as a family band known as The EarthWalkers. Ahead of their time, they wrote, sang and taught about the importance of environmental responsibility and conservation through music and comedy.

To Morris, his greatest success in life was his family. He often said Lynn, Skye, Amoris, his son-in-law Andy, and his granddaughter Kahlia made him the luckiest man on the planet. He was always supportive and a cheerleader for his kids who both followed in his footsteps. Skye is an artist/muralist and Amoris is a video producer/author.

A man of so many talents, he will be remembered for making people laugh and for the exquisite songs he wrote for the love of his life: Lynn. They were married for over 54 years.

We are grateful for the outpouring of love and friendship we have received as we grieve the loss of our beloved Morris.

As a life-long environmentalist, Morris believed that only we can change the situation we have created here on Mother Earth. In lieu of flowers, if you wish, please donate to your favorite environmental organization.

A celebration of life will be planned for the spring.

The Music of The EarthWalkers:

<https://soundcloud.com/theearthwalkers>

“The EarthWalkers” Short Documentary

[https://youtu.be/BRP\\_5kBya6k](https://youtu.be/BRP_5kBya6k)

Morris & Lynn’s video production company:

<http://www.microepic.com/>

Books by Morris Walker:

“The Lives of Carl Atman”

[https://www.amazon.com/dp/1482756676/ref=as\\_sl\\_pc\\_qf\\_sp\\_asin\\_til](https://www.amazon.com/dp/1482756676/ref=as_sl_pc_qf_sp_asin_til)

“Steve Martin: The Magic Years”

[https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B01K902CWY/ref=dbs\\_a\\_def\\_rwt\\_hsch\\_vapi\\_taft\\_p1\\_i1](https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B01K902CWY/ref=dbs_a_def_rwt_hsch_vapi_taft_p1_i1)

“WHEN”

[https://www.amazon.com/When-Morris-W-Walker/dp/148005304X/ref=sr\\_1\\_1](https://www.amazon.com/When-Morris-W-Walker/dp/148005304X/ref=sr_1_1)

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# Tribute Wall



“ DeMoss-Durdan Funeral Home & Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Morris Wayne Walker



DeMoss-Durdan Funeral Home and Crematory - October 25, 2022 at 12:11 PM

JB

*I love this video! Thank you for this heartwarming window into your family's joyful mission to teach children about caring for their earth habitats.*

Jeff Bibler - November 26, 2022 at 01:49 AM

MT

“ Oh God - It is April 2nd....sometimes the acceptance of my twin being gone (for now) is easier than other....some days are easier my sis is gone too. Today is one of the most difficult days yet. Palm Sunday. I know I will be with them again, but the sadness that envelopes me today is almost too much to bear.

Marsha (mo"s twin) - April 02, 2023 at 04:46 PM

MA

“ Marsha lit a candle in memory of Morris Wayne Walker



Marsha - March 14, 2023 at 09:52 PM

JB

“ I fondly remember how Morris was always so kind and caring to me when I returned to Corvallis in 2016 to care for my sick mother. He would always say hello and ask me how I was doing after the Sunday morning meditation services. He never knew my mother, but showed such compassion for her and my elderly father. And he always had a twinkle in his eye and a smile on his face that made me think I had known him for many years, even lifetimes. Thank you, dear Morris, for being such a kind and warm hearted soul, and for bringing sunshine and warmth into my life. ~ Jeff Bibler

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**Jeff Bibler** - November 26, 2022 at 01:47 AM

LK

“ Amoris, I am so sorry for your families loss. You would tell me stories about your family and the travels you had as a child. I know I met him a couple of times when he came into the coffee shop. (Years ago as we know). We will have to keep in touch. Please come see me sometime.

*Linda Kennedy*

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**Linda Kennedy** - November 09, 2022 at 07:33 PM

AW

*Thank you Linda.. so nice to hear from you, I hope you are doing well.  
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**Amoris Walker** - January 12, 2023 at 10:59 AM

AW

“ 19 files added to the tribute wall



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**Amoris Walker** - November 04, 2022 at 06:06 PM

MA

*I miss you my darling twin.....every moment! I will be with you again,  
and we will know!*

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**Marsha** - March 14, 2023 at 09:52 PM

RK

“ Before there was *The Settlers*, before there was Lynn, Skye and Amoris, before there was the *Earth Walkers*, there was *The Fools*. (Morris, Steve, Doug Rowell and me.) Three insanely talented teens – and me. We would do shows and pull what we called “Fakes” -- innocent practical jokes on unsuspecting strangers that amused no one but ourselves. (Think *Candid Camera* without a camera.) I was privileged to be allowed to be the group’s straight man. They made high school more than bearable – they made it memorable and most importantly, fun. While we were willing accomplices, Morris was, more often than not, the principal instigator of our foolishness. Even after more than 60 years, I can still hear his unique laugh – almost a giggle – when he was proposing a new “fake” or telling about one afterwards.

Looking at Amoris’ videos, I can see that Morris never lost his ability to make things not just funny – but fun. While we may have lost Morris, we can never lose the fun he brought to our lives or get that laugh out of our heads.

Thank you, my friend and fellow Fool.

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**Rick Kendall** - October 26, 2022 at 05:12 PM

AW

Thank you for this.... <3

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**Amoris Walker** - January 12, 2023 at 10:59 AM

RK

“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Album*



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**Rick Kendall** - October 26, 2022 at 05:09 PM

LS

“ We first met Morris over 22 years ago at a county fair in Oregon. Our daughter, Halie, was performing karaoke and drew the attention of Amoris, who even as a young girl showed confidence and outgoing friendliness, inherited from her father. Amoris brought her family over to meet us after that performance and we immediately fell in love with all the Walkers. Over the next two decades Morris and Lynn supported Halie's music, fitting her into many of the events they organized, traveling with us across the country and promoting her when possible. They have remained our dearest friends over that time. We have many fond memories of Morris with his confident attitude, quirky jokes, and consistent love for his family. His family actually included not only the Smiths but virtually every person we ever saw Morris interact with. His love and zest for life made people immediately feel drawn to him. He was a creative whirlwind, writing songs and coming up with ideas for gadgets. I was fortunate to help him record some of his music and help him to draft patent applications. He met the qualifications of being a Gypsy with his approach to life, always confident of finding the means to live while traveling the world to spread his art and joy. All you have to do is look at the children he raised into wonderful, successful people and the devotion of his wonderful wife to know that he made more than a living, he passed on a legacy, improving the world with every adventure and project he undertook. In recent years it became a tradition for Morris and Lynn to come to visit us to share dinner and a movie. I treasured those visits, always full of positive joy and amusing company. We generally watched classic movies. It often amazed me how consistently positive Morris was in his words. Even in these stressful times of division and bad news Morris never resorted to profanity and harshness. He never gave up his optimism - even to the end of his life on earth. Morris, I hope you realize how much you were loved and treasured.

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Larry J Smith - October 26, 2022 at 05:01 PM

MM

“ *What a beautiful tribute to a man that left an imprint on my heart. So kind when I met him years back at a restaurant where I worked and he and his family took part in for a short time. You could feel the love of him towards his family and for life. Really truly feel it. There is no doubt that his love, music and talent has carried over to his next heavenly journey. May you all know how blessed you are to have called him husband, dad, MoPa and all your other endearments. I'm blessed for the short time I got to know him, hear his music, and hear his beautiful stories. I still have one of his books about he and Steve Martin and will cherish it always. My thoughts are with each and everyone of you always. RIP SWEET MORRIS* 🙏😭😇

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**Mary Ann Matheson** - October 25, 2022 at 05:22 PM

JE

“ *My only photos are images in the mind; energy of the heart: Maui and Oregon. SRF joy, singing joy, being an author joy, supporting me joy, supporting his kids joy.*

*Morris, you are eternally a light for me. Your energy. Your roar. Your presence. I'm so thankful to have been held in your spiritual family; your physical family. Thank you for ever and may your onward journey towards that greatest of glory be bliss beyond bliss.*

*Jeff*

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**Jeff** - October 25, 2022 at 12:21 AM

DM

“ *Our most soft felt condolences are with The Walker Family.*

*We know or try to imagine the feeling of the grand lost you have sustained.*

*Also knowing that Morris is in the Real Place where nothing unpleasant can touch him, or hurt him, or worry him is very good, a promise!*

*We send you our love and understanding, and the offer that if there is any thing we can do for you, please let us know.*

*The MacGamwells*



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**Dora MacGamwell** - October 24, 2022 at 06:58 PM

DT

“ So many memories....How shall I begin?

*I first heard Morris in 1960 so many years ago in "home room" while attending Rancho Alamitos High School as a freshman. He and Steve had begun a morning announcements story with episodes which were heard each and every morning. It was delightful to listen to his creativity way back then.*

*There were so many continuing opportunities to see and hear Morris and Steve as high school days passed. Morris was a cheerleader and was active in almost all school events. I loved watching him perform his schtick during football games with the rest of the cheer leaders.*

*After high school, Morris and I began performing together in a newly formed Folk Group called the Settlers. We sang along with Melanie and Doug, two of my musical friends. We travelled throughout California and actually won a performance contest at the California State Fair in Sacramento. What a thrill that was.*

*Of course, all things must pass, the group broke apart and we all went our separate ways with our lives. Morris and I kept in touch but we were both busy with other things.*

*Years later, I reconnected with Morris and now, Lynn, his beautiful wife, while they were living in Mojeska Canyon. They were on their way to Big Bear and we spent time with them there. By then, we all had children and were young fathers.*

*Time moves on, careers change, families grow and move forward. As the years rolled by, I found myself speaking less and less to Morris, but thought about him often. I heard he was ill and would communicate when I could. It saddens me to be writing these memories of him, since this is now part of all I have. Rest in Peace my old friend. We did have some wonderful times together.*

*Dennis Taylor*

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**Dennis Taylor** - October 24, 2022 at 05:39 PM

PD

“ A Vivid Memory of Morris Walker: Morris was/is my first cousin on my mother's side. He was 5 years my senior, which isn't much of an age difference now. BUT, when you're a pre-teen, and walk into the Walker family living room to say "hi" after a long drive for a visit; AND, you behold your cousin and his friend Steve (Martin) wearing balloon-arrow hats... THAT leaves an impression! My cousin was crazy funny. He was also a talented musician and writer. Which brings me to~a Treasured Memory: We kept in touch through the years via our moms, and later, lovely Lynn --through the advent and evolution of the EarthWalkers. Then, when Morris published THE MAGIC YEARS, he reached out to me directly. Thus began a happy, if sporadic, series of email chats about family, and many things temporal and spiritual. This continued through THE LIVES OF CARL ATMAN and beyond. I feel blessed that we connected in this way. It was special. And, I wish Morris Godspeed in his Journey Onward. With Love, Patty Matherly Dollive  
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Patricia M. Dollive - October 24, 2022 at 12:12 PM

BG

“ 6 files added to the tribute wall



Bobby G. - October 22, 2022 at 02:46 PM

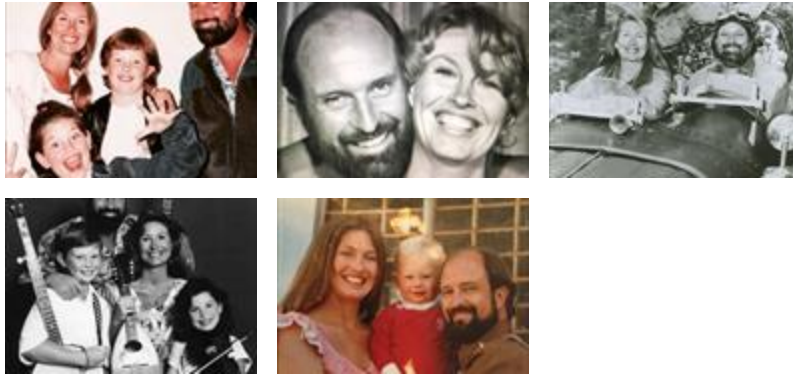
BG

*Oh, Morris. What a bright shining light you were! One of the good guys. You really knew how to do life right. George and I are honored to have known you and are missing you so much.*

**Bobby G.** - October 22, 2022 at 02:51 PM

LW

“ 7 files added to the tribute wall



**Lynn Walker** - October 22, 2022 at 12:27 PM

LW

*On the road with the Earthwalkers*

**Lynn Walker** - October 22, 2022 at 12:28 PM

DM

*A beautiful loving family, I'm so very sorry for your loss* ❤️😊😊😊🙏🙏  
🙏🙏🙏

**Darla Milligan McCall** - October 24, 2022 at 03:30 PM



“ *Morris was a huge part of my life. I will never forget all those times with him playing his guitar and Lynn’s beautiful voice singing the love songs he wrote to her and to the world. He may have made me laugh more than any other person ever, so unique and talented. The world is a sadder place without Morris Walker in it. I love you, Morris, Lynn, Skye and Amoris..*

Sally Simonds - October 21, 2022 at 09:52 AM



“ *12 files added to the album Memories Album*



Sally Simonds - October 20, 2022 at 04:59 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



DeMoss-Durdan Funeral Home and Crematory - October 20, 2022 at 02:50 PM

DE

*Oh yes can't add to this picture. This photo says it all but I will add a bit. He was a friend, father, husband, creator of words in rhyme. He was always thinking always planning always and had a friendly greeting for all. When I think of Morris I feel this gentle tug in my heart and if things go as I plan I will see him again. I sure hope he has a guitar and maybe he will teach me the words to some of his great songs. I will love to see his smiling face and his usual greeting to me was "hi Dee, I love you and I would say I love you too"💕💕*

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**Dee** - October 20, 2022 at 08:01 PM

RG

*“ I remember Mo as being ever mindful of and eager to acknowledge the blessings in his life, even as he faced enormous challenges. I can't help but believe that his strength of will has prevailed in liberating his glorious Soul. With love abiding 🙏*

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**Richard A Gratz** - October 20, 2022 at 12:02 PM

EJ

*“ Morris Walker was a wonderful and dear friend! He was one of the most creative men I have ever known; an amazing singer, guitarist, artist, mural artist, and author. He wrote a beautiful poem for my husband, Art and me when we married and I have it framed in our home. Morris was also fun! He always made us laugh, so whether working with him or visiting with him and Lynn and the children in their home, he always had a smile or a joke or something cheerful that lifted our spirits. He was a great husband, father, and grandfather. Love you Morris, always. Ellen and Art*

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**Ellen Jensen** - October 19, 2022 at 09:52 PM

FD

“ My tribute starts with the post below. I couldn't include all of it in a single share.

*He was a life-long member of the Paramahansa Yogananda fellowship. He practiced for years to be guided by spirit, grounded in the practices of meditation, creating art, and being in nature - a spiritual being living a human experience. He inspired me to deepen my connection with spirit and to live a truer life.*

*I encourage you to listen to he and Earthwalker family music on Sound Cloud and to purchase the books that Morris wrote. You will be better off for the experience. One book he wrote was about his life with Steve Martin, who was his best friend growing up. In Steve Martin's humor I see Uncle Morris. He was yet another person who's soul was swayed and forever changed by Uncle Morris.*

*I love you Uncle Morris. I know you are still with me. I can feel it in my bones and by the peace that has swept over me in the past few days. It is nothing that I can understand rationally, and yet, there it is. Forever grateful and hoping that I can pass along a fraction of the gifts that you gave me by being my uncle.*

*Soundcloud EarthWalkers:*

*<https://soundcloud.com/theearthwalkers>*

*Steve Martin: The Magic Years, by Morris Walker:*

*<https://www.amazon.com/Steve-Martin-Morris.../dp/B01K902CWY>*

*The Lives of Carl Atman, by Morris Walker:*

*<https://www.amazon.com/Lives-Carl-Atman.../dp/1482756676>*

*The Earthwalkers - Helping to Save the Earth one Child at a time:*

*[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BRP\\_5kBya6k](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BRP_5kBya6k)*

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**Fawn Damitio** - October 19, 2022 at 09:08 PM

MB

“ I first met Morris in the fall of '79, in Big Bear, CA. He was painting a sign for a local business and I was log-oiling a cabin, so we had something in common besides playing music, which we did quite a bit together that winter so long ago. He was an encourager from the get-go, super intelligent and fun to work with. Morris and Lynn...what a team, and what wonderful memories. Lynn, you are in my thoughts and prayers. May you be blessed in the midst of your sorrow.

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**Mark Barnes** - October 19, 2022 at 07:58 PM

MO

“ My entire life is filled with memories of my twin brother, Morris. I do want to share so much more, but it will most likely be a few days before I can fully post what he has meant to me...a few days of acceptance, recollections, and my own ability to pull myself up, to do as he would have me do....onward and upward I will go - with him fully in my heart, yet knowing he is resting with God and waiting for our next adventure together. I love you Morris Wayne Walker! Now and for all time.

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**Marsha J. O'Brien** - October 19, 2022 at 05:12 PM

DR

“ *Morris was a wonderful, enlightened, funny, and creative man. I first met Morris, Lynn, Skye, and Amoris in Chicago at the Book Expo in 1998. We instantly clicked. It wasn't long before we were enjoying Thai food and laughter at the Star of Siam. And so began a friendship that lasted over 20 years.*

*Morris was a beautiful and kind man who spread joy wherever he went. Of the thousands of people I have met in life, Morris was one of the best.*

*May your light continue to shine in the hearts of those you touched on Earth and in the heavens where you are at home with other great souls.*

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**David Rippe** - October 19, 2022 at 02:55 PM

TL

“ *Morris was a wonderful man with a good heart. I am very grateful to Lynn and Morris for starting and nurturing the Corvallis Meditation Circle. I met Morris while meditating with him in his home in the very early days of the Corvallis Circle. That was a blessing.*

*I admired and enjoyed his video production skills, he was quite the professional. I got a kick out of him doing a comedy routine with his son during a DaVinci Day celebration, lots of fun.*

*God Bless you Morris.*

*Love Tom Lavelle*

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**Tom Lavelle** - October 19, 2022 at 11:29 AM

JD

“ *Your light has not gone out. It is simply shining on the other side of the veil. We can still feel its warmth!* ”



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**Judy Davie** - October 19, 2022 at 10:42 AM

JS

“ *So sorry for your loss. Morris was a kind soul and I enjoyed working with him on a few video projects. He will be missed.* ”

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**Jeff Silverman** - October 13, 2022 at 10:59 AM