

Omasta Edward S. "Sid" Omasta, died in his home under hospice care on Friday, March 20, 2015, after a long illness. Sid was a widely loved and versatile musician, luthier, member of various bands in the area over the years, companion, and friend. Sid came to Central Ohio in the mid-80's, beginning his career as a luthier at the Loft Violin Shop, a career which he continued to the end. He developed quite a reputation in the repair and restoration of basses and cellos. He was a versatile musician, playing many styles (jazz, ethnic/celtic, classical, to name a few). He also played many different instruments, from a beginning on classical guitar to electric instruments, to acoustic bass and violin, to mandolin, banjo, and many others. He also played music with a great many different musicians and bands in the area. He shone as a friend to many, and as an uncle to children of the musicians he knew as well as to his own niece. He leaves behind a brother, James Omasta; and James's daughter, Christine Kellogg, Sid's niece. And he leaves behind a great many friends and fellow musicians who will miss him greatly and mourn his loss. Arrangements by SCHOEDINGER NORTHWEST CHAPEL.

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