

## Mr. Sant Singh of Inverness

February 4, 1940 - October 4, 2018

Sant Singh, LCSW, BCD, 78, of Inverness, Illinois.

Beloved husband of Premlata Singh; brother of Kailash, Shyama and Usha; devoted father of Minu (Jesse) Benawra, Sunita (Adam) Adams and Deepak (Anju) Singh; loving grandfather of Sumeer, Alisha, Shanth, Sarika, Yash, Anand, Ariana and Vazyl.

Born in India, he emigrated to Illinois in 1972, where he both studied and taught at the University of Chicago School, and practiced Clinical Psychiatry in the Chicago area for over 40 years.

Sant was a truly selfless person who was an inspiration to the countless persons he touched, especially his family, whereby he consistently prioritized their needs above his own. "The great secret of true success, of true happiness, is this - - the man or woman who asks for no return, the perfectly unselfish person, is the most successful" ... this was Sant Singh.

Family and Friends will meet Sunday, October 7, 2018 for a memorial service from 11:00 A.M. till 1:00 P.M. at Morizzo Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 2550 West Hassell Road, (Northeast corner of Barrington Road), Hoffman Estates, Illinois 60169.

In lieu of flowers donations made to World Wild Life (<https://gifts.worldwildlife.org/gift-center/gifts/species-adoptions.aspx>) would be greatly appreciated.

This Life Tributes page has been created to make it easy for Family and Friends to share memories, photos and videos.

For further information; or any questions about this funeral; please contact the Morizzo Funeral Directors at 847.752.6444.

## Cemetery Details

**The Directors at Morizzo Funeral Home entrusted with any Visitation, Funeral & Committal; requested.**

2550 Hassell Road  
(Northeast corner at Barrington Road)  
Hoffman Estates, IL 60169  
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## Previous Events

### Memorial Service

OCT 7. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Sant Singh of Inverness*

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November 04, 2022 at 06:54 PM

VN

“ Sant was one of my best friends, my mentor, and my teacher, and I’m so sorry to have been out of the country when he passed. I met him in 1990 at the U of C where he supervised me in family and couples therapy, and we reconnected after I became an attending physician. Sant encouraged me to leave UIC and he was correct in knowing I’d find freedom and greater happiness in private practice. For years, we’d chat or leave voicemails for each other most days Monday-Friday during our commutes to and from our downtown offices.

*I shared patients with him, and he was an extremely sharp therapist who could identify issues very quickly. He had a sense of justice, was compassionate, and was always deeply concerned about the well-being of all around him. At the same time, he was immensely practical, forthright, and had a great sense of humor. I’ll miss him pestering me with threats of coming after me with a baseball bat if I didn’t do my billing or contribute sufficiently to my retirement savings. Poor Sant never tired of having to repeat his advice hundreds of times to me! My patients benefitted from his insights and advice even in the area of finances, and I know at least a couple would have had trouble in retirement if he hadn’t recommended that they invest their savings.*

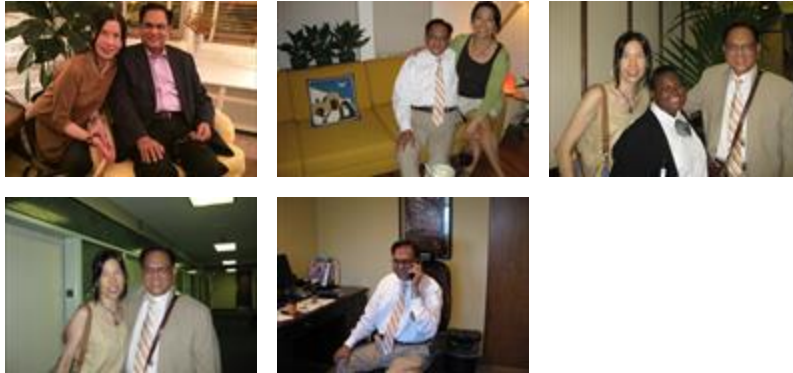
*I loved him dearly and I’ll miss hearing him greet me as if he hadn’t heard from me in 10 years when we’d just spoken a couple days before. His legacy lives on in the multitude of people he touched - the patients he helped, the students he taught, the people he loved. My sympathies to the family he so cherished.*

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**Victoria Nee** - November 07, 2018 at 10:22 PM

VN

“ 6 files added to the album *Victoria, Liz, & Sant*



Victoria Nee - November 07, 2018 at 10:19 PM

RB

“ *Mr. Singh was my therapist for many years and he had a profound impact on my life. There is rarely any decision I face when I do not say to myself "What would Sant advise me to do?" He was a brilliant clinician, a stubborn advocate for his clients (even when his clients failed to follow his wise and practical advice), and a thoroughly good person with a great sense of humor. He was a strong support and terrific mentor to me. He touched many lives in a positive way, and was relentless in his efforts to help his clients gain insights about themselves and develop the skills to move forward and live joyous, contented lives. I feel honored to have known him, and my memories of him are very precious. My deepest condolences to Mrs. Singh and her family.*

Roberta Baranowski - October 19, 2018 at 03:02 PM

MV

“ I was fortunate enough to have Sant as my clinical supervisor at the University of Chicago in 1998. He was brilliant, inspiring, and truly the best therapist that I have ever seen. I know that he touched countless lives, both his patients and others. Although I grieve with his family and friends, Sant remains a role model for a life well-lived.

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**Michael Vernon** - October 16, 2018 at 06:00 AM

DH

“ My wife Jan and I met Sant when he was working with patients, including our daughter, at the University of Chicago hospital. This was followed by sessions in Sant's office where he helped Jan and me cope with the problems resulting from the conduct of our troubled daughter. Then Sant and I became personal friends and we met Prem. I shall greatly miss Sant. I shall greatly miss our conversations over lunch on politics, religion and ethnicity. No one can or will take his place.

*Dick Hamilton*

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**Dick Hamilton** - October 14, 2018 at 04:01 PM

LP

“ I first met Sant in 1992 at the University of Chicago. I was a psychiatric resident and he was a Social Worker and a clinical professor. He was one of my favorite teachers. He taught me group therapy, individual therapy and couples therapy. He was a wonderful mentor. He had a good sense of humor. He was so kind. His smile was infectious. He was a powerful marvelous force for good. We stayed in contact over the years and I was looking forward to seeing him soon. I miss him dearly.

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**Lisa Polsby** - October 12, 2018 at 07:48 PM

DW

“ Sant was my therapist for over ten years. His expert advice helped me care for my elderly parents, deal with stress at work, buy my home, and fund my retirement. For this I am very grateful. I wish his family all possible comfort and consolation at this time.

*Dave Wilkinson*

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**David Wilkinson** - October 08, 2018 at 08:03 PM

JR

“ I have wonderful memories of Sant's kindness and warm smile. During a difficult time he helped me move forward to a better future. I will always remember him and we will make a donation to the charity in his memory. Please accept my best wishes for being uplifted by beautiful memories.

*Julia Ryan*

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**Julia Ryan** - October 08, 2018 at 02:38 PM

GA

“ Gaurav & Anuj sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Sant Singh of Inverness



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**Gaurav & Anuj** - October 08, 2018 at 04:42 AM

BS

“ *Beena Singh sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Sant Singh of Inverness*



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**Beena Singh** - October 08, 2018 at 04:38 AM

DS

“ *Deepak Singh lit a candle in memory of Mr. Sant Singh of Inverness*



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**Deepak Singh** - October 08, 2018 at 04:37 AM

LB

“ *We are so saddened by the passage of Uncle but will relish our memories of his smile and kind heart. We will continue to hold Auntie, Deepak, Minu, Sonu and their families in our thoughts and hearts. May his memory be a blessing to all.*  
*With great sympathy,*  
*Raju and Leslie Chatterjee*

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**Leslie Besecke** - October 07, 2018 at 04:15 PM

JS

“ *Such a wonderful man. Beyond a pleasure talking to, and working with, him over the years.*

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**jeffrey sanchez** - October 07, 2018 at 01:30 PM

NW

“ Sant Uncle and his family are very close friends with our family. I remember from my earliest memories Uncle had a very friendly, warm personality. He was always willing to share a good laugh and good conversation. He was a wonderful listener and had a great capacity for compassion. He has left behind a wonderful legacy of goodness and kindness for us all!! I will miss him.



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**Nili Wong** - October 07, 2018 at 09:58 AM

RA

“ I came to Sant in the middle of a very difficult time in my life. It was the best decision I could have made. He was a wonderful listener, with an incredible ability to ask just the right question, support at the right time and prod for movement at the right time, and offer his calm, strong presence as a life model. We continued to stay in touch now and then over the years, and I always felt his generous sense of love and connection. The world is a better place because of Sant Singh having been in it, and he will be greatly missed.

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**Randall Albers** - October 07, 2018 at 07:48 AM

MG

“ *It's the best neighbor I could ever ask for..always watching over us, always laughing, always smiling...good morning and good night...sometimes he will show up at my house with all they toys that his grandkids left behind as they got older and now that I will treasure forever. We have a hole in our heart... Thank you Sant for the unconditional love that we received from “Mr Sant” as my girls called him... he treated us like family and open his house to us so many times...We will miss him dearly and hope that he is watching over us. I feel so fortunate that we were able to share so many special memories with him. We will miss him so much, specially his impromptu visits to out house to inspect the house projects or checking what Tim was up to. Thank for all the love that you gave us. Always in our heart, always and forever in our memories.*  
Love,  
The Giegerich Family  
TIM, Marcela, Ela, Hayley and Ally .

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**Marcela Giegerich** - October 06, 2018 at 09:43 PM

NJ

“ *Some people never die because of the legacy they leave behind. Mr. Sant Singh was one of those people. Mr. Singh taught me between 1967 & 1969, in Varanasi. He mentored me and in turn I trained many and I continue to mentor a handful of professionals in the field of mental health, and now they are training, mentoring and counseling a lot more people. Mr. Singh's legacy will continue to live on. Mr. Sant Singh, for me, has completed his journey in an admirable manner, here on earth and returned to his 'home'. May his soul and his family be blessed with peace. Naresh James.*



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**Naresh James** - October 06, 2018 at 08:29 PM

DP

*“ I’m am truly sorry to hear of Sants passing. I went to him many years ago for counseling. At the time I didn’t make much money but he charged me what I could afford to pay. He had a special way of listening and talking when I needed him to. Always at the end of the session he would suggest that I think of more of what I was talking about and that helped me so much. By doing this he was able to help me resolve so much hurt and anger. He will always hold a special place in my heart and thoughts. His smile was always very welcoming. May he Rest In Peace.*



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**Dawn Pakaski** - October 06, 2018 at 02:56 PM



*“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Mr. Sant Singh of Inverness.*



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October 06, 2018 at 01:30 PM

BG

*“ Our sympathies to all of Sant's family. We remember him well from the time we both went to him for counselling. We also came to know him and his family because of his professional relationship with my sister in law, Claudia. What a very special counsellor and friend. Our sympathies to all the family. Barb and John Goode*

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**Barb and John Goode** - October 06, 2018 at 01:27 PM

PA

“ Pawan and Mridula Agrawal purchased the Pink Potpourri Bouquet for the family of Mr. Sant Singh of Inverness.



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**Pawan and Mridula Agrawal** - October 06, 2018 at 12:55 PM

CF

“ CP and Sumitra, Neeta and Jack, Nili and Felix purchased the Reflections of Glory Wreath for the family of Mr. Sant Singh of Inverness.



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**CP and Sumitra, Neeta and Jack, Nili and Felix** - October 06, 2018 at 11:16 AM

ZD

“ Dear Prem and Family, It is with great sadness that I learn of Sant's passing. I am out of the country and unfortunately will not be able to attend his memorial service with you. As you may know, Sant was involved with me personally and with other members of my family in helping navigate life's shoals and currents. He was a true listener, a wise and common sense advisor. He was concerned about other's well being and in trying to improve their lives. I was honored to be part of his cardiac care in his time of need.

Sant truly made an impact and left us all better people. I know he will live on through the meaningful impact he has had on you and the family and on those of us fortunate to be touched by him.

with fond memories and gratitude,  
Zev Davis

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**zev davis** - October 06, 2018 at 11:07 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. Sant Singh of Inverness.*



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October 06, 2018 at 07:01 AM



“ *With much sadness I write this. I had so been looking forward to seeing more of Sant since we both were retired. He was mentor, colleague, friend and father figure. I will so miss our enjoyable conversations-marked by his keen observations, humor, optimism, honesty and his calm and caring manner-which were too infrequent.*  
*Steve White*

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**Stephen White** - October 06, 2018 at 06:23 AM



“ *Sant used to talk to me about "magical thinking." He changed my life with that simple phrase, identifying the difference between what I wished would happen and what I could make happen by attending to my choices more accountably and intentionally. 25 years later I am still humbled and enormously grateful for Sant, who came into my life at a crucial moment. I send my most sincere condolences, love, and prayers to Sant's family and friends.*

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**Eric** - October 06, 2018 at 06:17 AM



“ *He was a great person who added so much to every life he touched. His memory will always be in our hearts.*

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**Rajeev Bhatia** - October 06, 2018 at 02:58 AM

AF

“ *My best wishes and condolences. Sant Singh was a great friend and counselor for me from 8/5/2008 to 10/30/2014 when he retired. We met many times in his nice office in Chicago on Washington Street and Michigan Avenue.*

*Andrew T. Fisher*

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**Andrew Fisher** - October 06, 2018 at 12:26 AM

BF

“ *Bryce Hatch and his entire family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Sant Singh of Inverness.*



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**Bryce Hatch and his entire family** - October 05, 2018 at 09:23 PM

TL

“ *To everyone in the Singh Family - my sincere condolences and love to you all. It's been many years since we have seen each other in person. You all are forever in my heart as special friends of my parents and as special people to me as a young girl. Your love and support in the months of planning before my wedding are still a treasured memory. I'm so sorry to hear of Sant's passing. I know a special light has gone out in your world. Thank you for sharing him with so many of us. He was a great man. He will be missed but his life will also be remembered and celebrated.*

*Tammy Hatch Latham*

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**Tamela Latham** - October 05, 2018 at 09:18 PM

AU

*Anand/Cynthia Our condolences and prayers are with the entire family*

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**Anand usman** - October 05, 2018 at 10:31 PM

DS

*"Wherever a beautiful soul has been, there is a trail of memories".*

*This is so true for Sant jijaji (Mausaji). We would always wait for his visit to India and look forward to his staying with us. Those few days that he would stay with us, it was an enriching experience for all us. In our chit chat also, he had so much to share and so much for us to learn that we would sit around him during such sessions. His love for good food, good clothes and good life was infectious. He had to have mutton cooked by Beena and for Deepak an important job was to take him to a draper and to our family tailor. The kids would select the latest songs and get a CD made for him. We will miss such re-unions.*

*Very softly he tiptoed into our world, almost silently, but left an indelible imprint upon our hearts. We know for certain that we will never lose him to death as we all love him and he will continue to participate in every act, thought and decision we will make.*

*May God give him eternal peace and strength to the family members.*

*Beena Singh, Deepak Singh, Gaurav S;ingh & Anuj Singh*

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**DEEPAK SINGH** - October 06, 2018 at 01:59 PM

JB

*Dear Prem and family,  
I am so very sorry to hear of Sant's passing. Your family holds a dear place deep in my heart and you are a cherished part of my earliest memories. Your kindness, gentleness and generosity shaped my childhood and the person I am today. We may not have stayed in touch through the years, but Sant's voice echoes in my ear. May we all continue to live with the joy and patience he shared with us.  
Much love, Jennifer Hatch Bruton*

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**Jennifer Bruton** - October 06, 2018 at 10:04 PM



“ *Mr. Sant Singh was both a family friend and a professional mentor. However, we will most remember him for his genuineness, generosity, and smiles. Please accept our heartfelt condolences for this loss. He will be deeply missed.*

*I know that his desire to spread joy, and the ability to see the world in a wise manner will stay with all of us.*

*With much love,*  
*Mudita and Aspi*

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**M** - October 05, 2018 at 09:05 PM



“ *We enjoyed so much visiting Sant and family for his and Prem's 50th Wedding Anniversary. It was a beautiful time with lots of beautiful people.*

*With beautiful memories.*  
*Bryce and Rose Hatch*

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**Bryce Hatch** - October 05, 2018 at 08:33 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Sant Singh of Inverness.*



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October 05, 2018 at 08:29 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Mr. Sant Singh of Inverness.*



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October 05, 2018 at 07:54 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Sant Singh of Inverness.*



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October 05, 2018 at 06:57 PM



“ *He was our dearest friend. We have known each other from India ( Varanasi ) to here in this country for almost 65 years. We were so saddened shocked to hear his passing away after meeting him in person just week and half ago. We both wish his soul to rest in peace. abhay & nisha*

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**abhay &nisha** - October 05, 2018 at 06:21 PM



“ *I am so sad to hear this news. Sant was such a beautiful person who inspires me everyday. As hard as this is, I'll choose to celebrate the life of a person who made such a profound impact on my life and many others. God Bless both he and his family and may he rest in peace.*

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**Andrew LaLiberty** - October 05, 2018 at 05:34 PM

DF

“ He was my water class buddy. I so admired him being in an aerobics aqua class and not knowing how to swim. I will miss our lunches and constant conversation whenever we were together. He was a one of a kind man and I am so happy to have known him.

Deborah finato - October 05, 2018 at 05:27 PM



“ A New Sunrise Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Sant Singh of Inverness.



October 05, 2018 at 04:32 PM



“ Uncleji, you were a father figure to us. Your positive outlook to life will always be an inspiration to all that came to know you. We will miss your infectious smile and laughter. Our evening coffees will never be the same. There is a void in the neighborhood now 🙏🙏

Smita Bhatia - October 05, 2018 at 03:35 PM

PA

It was our great fortune to be a good friend of Singh Saheb for the last 45 years. He was such a great person, so helpful, so sincere, full of jest, always with an infectious laugh. We were lucky to see him for a few minutes before his final call came from the God. He recognized us, communicated with us, and we left with a glimmer of hope. But the hope was belied. We will never forget the exceptional person that he was. Our deep condolences for the family.

Pawan and Mridula Agrawal - October 05, 2018 at 05:53 PM

NO

Uncle you were always my favorite, I will miss you.

Nootan - October 05, 2018 at 07:47 PM

MH

*Our condolences to Prem and family.  
We were graduate school classmates and roommates in Chicago, then fellow travelers to Hawaii , Japan, Hong Kong, Manila, Thailand, and finally to India. He and Prem took care of me in my two month experience in India. Will never forget that.*

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**melvin hayase** - October 08, 2018 at 12:04 AM