



# Coleman John Whiting

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Coleman John Whiting left this life Tuesday, May 24, at the age of 24. He lived a life full of creativity and passion. His charm, humor, and joy opened the hearts of everyone he encountered. His sudden death has overwhelmed family, friends, and those he worked with.

Coleman was a gifted artist: pencil, woodworking, furniture. He designed and created the Latitude Band watch and recently had a lead role in the independent film "Nevermind the Knife," working with writer/director Chraci Littlejohn. A sound engineer from the age of 13, he trained with Lawrence "Illoquint" Wilder, and worked the sound board for some of Seattle's most creative rap artists and singers. In front of the mic, he put his life into his lyrics.

He attended Seattle Public Schools; Lafayette Elementary, Washington Middle School, and Franklin High School (class of 2012). He attended Seattle Central and South Seattle Colleges.

Coleman is widely known as a pioneering cannabis activist. He co-founded LeBlanc CNE, Inc., did CO2 extraction at Green Lion, and helped to launch I-502 retailer Herban Legends. His compassion and concern for medical marijuana patients, which stemmed from his own struggle with epilepsy, is legendary. He refused to let his own medical condition dictate his life.

Coleman leaves behind a large loving family and circle of friends, including his brothers, Michael (Anna Cheng) and Bryan (Kimberly Johnson), parents Sharon (Peter Sexton) and Jerry (Lisa Spreacker), stepbrothers Lukas Sexton and Zack Spreacker (Daniela), stepsisters Katie Smith (Mark) and Hailey Sexton, grandmother Carmel Bryan Whiting, uncles David Whiting and Steven Whiting, aunts Ricki Schuberg-Myers and Kris Schuberg, and loving cousins, nieces, nephews.

A celebration of Coleman's life is planned for June 25

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). The family suggests donations to the Coleman Whiting Memorial Fund,

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to support families in need of cannabis medicine.

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