



Manubhai Gordhaivbhai Patel

May 21, 1945 - December 10, 2021

Manubhai G Patel, loving Husband, Father, Brother, Uncle, Grandfather, and Friend to many, went with Lord Krishna on Friday, December 10, 2021.

Manu, also known as Madhavadas, was born in India, graduated college and traveled to the United States to pursue his master's in engineering in 1969 at the age 24 with only \$6 in his possession. His mentor and uncle, Chimanbhai Patel helped Manu settle into his new life in America. In 1973, Manu traveled to India over winter holidays and met his beautiful wife, Ila. While in Detroit working at Ford Motor Company, Madhavadas joined ISKCON as a devotee at the Hare Krishna Temple. In 1980, Madhavadas moved his wife and daughter, Radhika, to Mombasa, Kenya where the family served the ISKCON temple there for 8 years. After leaving Mombasa, the family that now included his son, Kishan, traveled and lived in many places. Upon returning to Michigan where his and Ila's brothers and sisters had settled, Madhavadas and Ila opened Krishna Catering & Restaurant in Garden City in 1994. Every decision and adventure that Madhavadas guided his family and friends through was based in generosity, kindness, and exuding love for others. Madhavadas' guiding principles were rooted in the scriptures that drove him to ensure that all that he encountered found success and joy in their daily lives. His legacy of charitable living includes his time building the Hare Krishna Temple in Mombasa, contributing to the Hindu community in the greater Detroit area, and using Krishna Catering & Restaurant as a platform for community outreach. His home has become a place of worship and Madhavadas'

greatest joy was to hold prayers and worship all throughout the years. Madhavadas performed many ceremonial services for engagements, weddings, and celebrations of life for many families in the community. Through his work within the community and beyond, his contributions are embedded into each of our life stories. Manubhai / Madhavadas is survived by his wife of 48 years, Ilaben Patel, and his children and their spouses Radhika (Saj) Issac and Kishan (Lipika) Patel, and grandchildren, Anjali and Isiah.

Service honoring a father and brother to many in our community will be on Sunday, December 12, 2021 at 10:00 AM at Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 46401 Ann Arbor Road West, Plymouth, (between Sheldon and Beck Road),

734-459-2250. To join the service virtually, click on this link at 10am: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85643458415?pwd=R1ZXR1Q5dC9lSSStZmE2eUtD>

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Previous Events

Service

DEC 12. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home Plymouth
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Plymouth, MI 48170
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Tribute Wall



“ *Manubhai Gordhaivbhai Patel*

December 07, 2023 at 05:11 AM



“ *Dear Ila/Visnuvrata dd, Hare Krsna. This is your servant, Antariksa das. I just heard of Madhava prabhu's passing on when I was at the Lenox Street Temple recently. Dear Mata, I am so sorry for your loss. Of course, it is my loss too, as I know you know. As you know, we both got initiation from Srila Prabhupada through Jayatirtha prabhu on August 29, 1977, along with Ahyodya and Panchajani. What a most blessed day it was. And now, after all these years, I need to endure another kind of blessedness: the passing on of a great devotee of the Lord, your kind husband, Madhavadas prabhu. I am devastated. Who can possibly replace such a soul as Madhava prabhu, in my heart? I can only cry the rest of my days without him to see once in a while. He was always so kind to me and I will never forget his most infectious laugh. O his life giving laugh. I'll never stop hearing it, ofcourse. The more I think of my dear friend, the more afflicted I become at his loss. Dear Visnuvrata, what am I to do? There will never be another person like your kind and sweet and wise husband. Mata, if there is anything that I might do to aid you during this most difficult time, I would be more than honored, if you would kindly just ask me. Thank you. All glories to the lotus feet of sweet Madava das prbhu. Your humble servant, Antariksa das*

Eric Crosley - March 23, 2022 at 01:31 AM