

DREAMS COME TRUE

NAME: Grant Swindle
DISABILITY: Downs Syndrome
DREAM: To meet Steve Miller
DREAM REALIZED: September 29



STORY:

Grant is 20 years old. He has Downs Syndrome. His favorite sports are horseback riding, bowling, and skiing. Grant also enjoys music, animal videos, and thumbing through books. His dream? . . . To meet Steve Miller.

In 2004, Steve Miller played a concert in Sun Valley. Grant's mother was planning to take him to the concert, but she had an unexpected surgery that prevented her from doing so.

Nonetheless, Grant started buying Steve Miller CDs. Then Grant started memorizing songs—a lot of songs. Then he began singing the songs he had memorized. Soon Grant became a walking Steve Miller jukebox.

Grant has been a Sun Valley Adaptive Sports participant for eight years. When SVAS learned Steve Miller was playing at the Kick Ash Bash, we wanted to make Grant's dream come true. With help of the Ketchum/Sun Valley Chamber of Commerce, Grant received a VIP ticket and the chance to meet Steve Miller.

On the big day, Grant was excited from the moment he got out of bed. He had an ear-to-ear smile as he went back stage to meet Steve Miller. When it was his turn to meet Miller, Grant walked right up to him, shook his hand and said, "Gee, this is great!"

Miller chuckled, shook Grant's hand and asked, "What's your favorite song?" "Jet Airliner," exclaimed Grant. "I like jets. This is my favorite concert!"

Grant's mom chimed in asking, "Will you be playing Jet Airliner?" Miller said, "Well, it looks like you will be staying around 'til the end!" Jet Airliner was the finale.

Grant's new dream? To sing on stage with Steve Miller.

Hmmm . . . it's possible!



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