

# Iron Maiden's Founding Frontman Paul Di'Anno Passes Away at 66

### Description

British singer Paul Di'Anno, widely known as an early lead vocalist for the famous heavy metal band Iron Maiden in the late 1970s and early 1980s, has sadly passed away in Salisbury, England, at the age of 66. He gained recognition in the heavy metal scene after joining Iron Maiden and performing with them from 1978 to 1981.

During his time with Iron Maiden, the band released two albums - "Iron Maiden" in 1980 and "Killers" in 1981. Following his departure from Iron Maiden, Di'Anno went on to work with other bands like Battlezone and Killers, as well as pursuing a solo career. He released his first career retrospective album, "The Book of the Beast," in September.

In a recent interview with Metal Hammer magazine, Di'Anno shared that he understood why Iron Maiden replaced him with Bruce Dickinson, admitting he couldn't give his best to the band due to personal reasons. Despite health issues in his later years, he continued to perform concerts from a wheelchair. Born in Chingford, East London, on May 17, 1958, Di'Anno had a long-standing passion for music and a rebellious streak, even skipping school to watch AC/DC perform. He had a rocky start with Iron Maiden but eventually saw their potential, leading to a successful collaboration. The details of his survivors have not been announced yet.

# **Vocabulary List:**

- 1. **Recognition** /,rɛkəg'nɪʃən/ (noun): The acknowledgment of something's existence validity or legality.
- 2. Retrospective /,rɛtrə'spɛktɪv/ (adjective): Looking back on or dealing with past events or situations.
- 3. **Pursuing** /pər'su:1ŋ/ (verb): To follow or chase with the intent to catch or achieve.
- 4. **Collaboration** /kə,læbə'reɪʃən/ (noun): The action of working with someone to produce or create something.
- 5. Admitting /əd'mɪtɪŋ/ (verb): To confess to be true or to allow entry.
- 6. Passion /'pæʃən/ (noun): A strong feeling of enthusiasm or excitement for something or about doing something.

## **Comprehension Questions**

### **Multiple Choice**

1. When was Paul Di'Anno born?



Option: 17 May 1958 Option: 28 December 1937 Option: 3 April 1962 Option: 11 November 1950

2. Which two albums did Iron Maiden release during Paul Di'Anno's time with the band?

Option: The Number of the Beast and Powerslave Option: Iron Maiden and Piece of Mind Option: Iron Maiden and Killers Option: Fear of the Dark and Seventh Son of a Seventh Son

3. What was the title of Paul Di'Anno's first career retrospective album?

Option: The Book of the Beast Option: Run to the Hills Option: Aces High Option: Hallowed Be Thy Name

4. Where was Paul Di'Anno born?

Option: Chingford, East London Option: Salisbury, England Option: Liverpool, England Option: Birmingham, England

5. Which band did Paul Di'Anno NOT work with after leaving Iron Maiden?

Option: Battlezone Option: Killers Option: AC/DC Option: His solo career

6. How old was Paul Di'Anno when he passed away?

Option: 58 Option: 66 Option: 71 Option: 50

### **True-False**

7. Paul Di'Anno was born in 1958.



8. Paul Di'Anno joined Iron Maiden in the late 1980s.

- 9. Paul Di'Anno released his first retrospective album in September.
- 10. Paul Di'Anno continued to perform concerts from a wheelchair due to health issues.
- 11. Paul Di'Anno saw the potential in Iron Maiden from the beginning.
- 12. Paul Di'Anno had a smooth start with Iron Maiden.

#### Gap-Fill

13. Paul Di'Anno was born on \_\_\_\_\_\_ 17, 1958.

14. Paul Di'Anno performed with Iron Maiden from 1978 to \_

15. Iron Maiden released the album "Killers" in

16. Paul Di'Anno released his first retrospective album, "The Book of the Beast," in \_\_\_\_

17. Paul Di'Anno was known for his rebellious streak, even skipping school to watch

\_\_\_\_\_ perform.

18. Paul Di'Anno passed away in \_\_\_\_\_\_ at the age of 66.

### Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. 17 May 1958 2. Iron Maiden and Killers 3. The Book of the Beast 4. Chingford, East London 5. AC/DC 6. 66 True-False: 7. True 8. False 9. True 10. True 11. False 12. False Gap-Fill: 13. May 14. 1981 16. September 17. AC/DC 18. Salisbury, England

## **Vocabulary quizzes**





### Multiple Choice (Select the Correct answer for each question.)

1. What is the feeling of thankfulness and appreciation called?

Option: Resale Option: Gratitude Option: Recognition Option: Passion

2. What term refers to acknowledging someone's efforts or achievements?

Option: Dedication Option: Recognition Option: Heartfelt Option: Stellar

#### 3. What is the act of working together with others towards a common goal known as?

- Option: Admitting Option: Generously Option: Collaboration Option: Challenges
- 4. Which word describes the powerful effect or influence of something?

Option: Unforgettable Option: Grieving Option: Impact Option: Longevity

- 5. What term refers to the ability to recover or bounce back from hardships?
  - Option: Pursuing Option: Resilience Option: Tributes Option: Hereditary
- 6. What are difficulties or obstacles that test one's abilities called?
  - Option: Stellar Option: Dynamics Option: Challenges Option: Emphasizing
- 7. What term describes the long-term existence or success of something?

Option: Passion Option: Beloved Option: Longevity





**Option:** Tragically

8. Which word means recognizing or confessing to something?

Option: Acclaimed Option: Emphasizing Option: Admitting Option: Unimaginable

9. What word describes giving or sharing freely and with kindness?

Option: Hereditary Option: Generously Option: Unforgettable Option: Recognition

10. What is the act of giving special importance or highlighting something?

Option: Acclaimed Option: Retrospective Option: Emphasizing Option: Inspiring

### Gap-Fill (Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

11. The extent of the damage caused by the disaster was \_\_\_\_\_\_.

12. The young musician delivered a \_\_\_\_\_\_ performance at the concert.

- 13. Some diseases are \_\_\_\_\_\_ and can be passed down through generations.
- 14. She pursued her career in art with great \_\_\_\_\_\_ and enthusiasm.
- 15. The actor was a \_\_\_\_\_\_ figure in the hearts of his fans.

16. The family is still \_\_\_\_\_\_ the loss of their loved one.

- 17. Many people paid \_\_\_\_\_\_ to the late leader for his contributions to society.
- 18. He sent a \_\_\_\_\_\_ message expressing his sincere condolences.
- 19. The teacher gave an \_\_\_\_\_\_ speech that motivated the students.
- 20. The new policy had a significant \_\_\_\_\_\_ on the local community.



### Matching Sentences (Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

21. Acknowledging someone's efforts or achievements is a form of .
22. Working together with others towards a common goal is known as .
23. The ability to bounce back from hardships is a sign of .
24. Showing commitment and loyalty to a cause is a display of .
25. The prolonged existence or success of something is referred to as .
26. Intense enthusiasm or desire for something is often described as .
27. Giving or sharing freely and with kindness is doing so .
28. Difficulties or obstacles that test one's abilities are called .
29. Giving special importance or highlighting something is it.
30. The powerful effect or influence of something is known as its .

## Answer

**Multiple Choice:** 1. Gratitude 2. Recognition 3. Collaboration 4. Impact 5. Resilience 6. Challenges 7. Longevity 8. Admitting 9. Generously 10. Emphasizing

**Gap-Fill:** 11. Unimaginable 12. Stellar 13. Hereditary 14. Passion 15. Beloved 16. Grieving 17. Tributes 18. Heartfelt 19. Inspiring 20. Impact

**Matching sentence:** 1. Recognition 2. Collaboration 3. Resilience 4. Dedication 5. Longevity 6. Passion 7. Generously 8. Challenges 9. Emphasizing 10. Impact

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