

Dave LeTellier was the founding father and the visionary behind Cottonwood. It was his idea and passion that brought together a group of musicians with a shared love for country music, rich harmonies, and the kind of sound that defined one of the greatest eras in country music — the 1990s.

Dave's vision, creativity, and belief in what we could become laid the foundation for what turned into a remarkable 34-year journey for me and the band. In many ways, he is largely responsible for the incredible memories, friendships, and experiences that came from being part of Cottonwood for so many years.

Dave eventually left the band to pursue his passion for folk and liturgical music, where he went on to find great success and continue sharing his amazing talent throughout the Pioneer Valley and beyond.

Beyond his musical gifts, Dave is one of the kindest, most genuine, and caring people you could ever hope to meet. His heart, humility, and generosity have always been a true reflection of the person he is.

Thank you, Dave, for planting the seed, creating the vision, and making Cottonwood your brainchild. Your impact on this band and the lives of those who have been part of it, will always be remembered.