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# Perry Bamonte, guitarist and keyboardist with The Cure, dies aged 65

He played with the band from 1990 to 2005 before officially rejoining in 2022

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Perry Bamonte of The Cure at Pine Knob Music Theatre on June 13, 2023 in Clarkston, Michigan. (Photo by Scott Legato/Getty Images)

Perry Bamonte, guitarist and keyboardist with **The Cure**, has died at the age of 65.

The news was announced earlier today (December 26) with **an announcement on the band's official website**, which confirmed that their “great friend and bandmate” had passed away “after a short illness at home over Christmas”.

“Quiet, intense, intuitive, constant and hugely creative, ‘Teddy’ was a warm hearted and vital part of The Cure story,” the tribute read. “Our thoughts and condolences are with all his family. He will be very greatly missed.”

Born Perry Archangelo Bamonte in London on 3 September 1960, he initially became a member of The Cure's road crew in 1984, after his brother Daryl was appointed as their tour manager, and he went on to become frontman **Robert Smith**'s guitar technician and personal assistant.

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When keyboardist Roger O'Donnell left the band in 1990, Bamonte became a full-time Cure member, playing guitar and keyboards – having been taught the latter by Smith's sister Janet – **as well as six-string bass and percussion on occasion**.

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He played on the band's 1990 album **Disintegration**, **before being dismissed** in 1992, after **being accused of sexual assault** alongside members of the band's **road crew**. He was later **rejoined** the Cure for their induction into the **Rock and Roll Hall of Fame** in 2002.

He officially rejoined the band in 2022, appearing on their 2022 album **'Shows Of Affection'** and their 2023 album **'Singles On Tour'**. He also appeared on the band's 2024 album **'Show Of A Lifetime'** and their 2025 album **'World'**, however, he was **not** credited as a performer.

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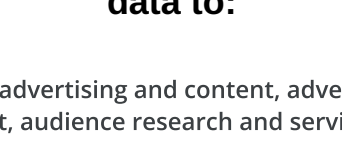
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