Biography of Indradyumna Swami

Indradyumna Swami appeared in this world on May 20th, 1949 in Palo-Alto (California, USA).

An early age bout with spinal menengitis had left little Indradyumna Swami, then aged four, puzzled about life. Later, he had joined the US Marine Corps in order to fight for his country in Vietnam. He sought after happiness and world peace and thought perhaps fighting for his countrymen was the best he could do. But, realizing he had become a killer, one day he approached his authorities and refused to fight. The next several days in jail gave him time to think. "It's easy to kill but so hard to know what to live for."

After his university studies at an early age, Indradyumna Swami devoted himself to the search for spiritual knowledge. He finally reached his goal in 1970, when he discovered his spiritual master.

Indradyumna Swami took sanyassa (renounced order of life) in 1979, at the age of 29. Since 1986, Indradyumna Swami has been traveling and spreading the Vedic culture throughout the world in countries such as the USA, Poland, South Africa, Australia, New Zealand, Hungary, Ukraine, Russia and South America.

A shining example of his effort, is the traveling Festival of India tour which he organizes every year in Poland. These festivals attract thousands of people, who learn about and relish Bhakti Yoga through music, dance, drama, spiritual discussion, and vegetarian food.

He has been organizing festival programs in South Africa, Russia and especially in Poland (Festival of India as well as Woodstock festival) to help hundreds and thousands of people solve their personal and social problems by adopting the values of the ancient Vedic culture.

Some of Indradyumna Swami’s adventures in distributing the spiritual message of Love and Peace include the native tribes of the Amazon jungle, Zulus of South Africa and the gypsies of Siberia, Tsunami victims in Sri Lanka.

He has been helping many families across many countries, in leading happy and healthy life. The care and love he shares with the children around the world is phenomenal and he dedicates special time for children in encouraging them to grow up in a peaceful environment by practicing spirituality, respecting the elders and in becoming good citizens.

Since 1995, Indradyumna Swami has been writing his Diary, which describes many of his adventures and realizations while continuously traveling.