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Facts about REQUIEM

DISCOGRAPHY:

- Global Resistance Rising (2018, FDA Records GER)
 Produced, Mixed and Mastered by Christoph Brandes
- Within Darkened Disorder Re-Release (2012, MDD Records GER) Produced, Mixed and Remastered by Andy Classen
- Within Darkened Disorder (2011, twilight-Vertrieb GER) Produced, Mixed and Mastered by Andy Classen
- Infiltrate... Obliterate... Dominate... (2009, twilight-Vertrieb GER) Produced, Mixed and Mastered by Andy Classen
- Premier Killing League (2007, Massacre Records GER)
 Produced, Mixed and Mastered by Andy Classen
 Distribution: Soulfood Germany/Austria, Musikvertrieb Switzerland, Locomotive USA
- Government Denies Knowledge (2006, Massacre Records GER)
 Mixed and Mastered by J.F. Dagenais/Kataklysm
 Distribution: Soulfood Germany/Austria, Musikvertrieb Switzerland, Locomotive USA
- Formed At Birth (2003, Revenge Productions GER) Distribution: Worldwide Mailorder
- Nameless Grave (2001, Fastbeast Entertainment CH) Distribuition: Worldwide Mailorder
- Adult DVD: Filthy Fucking Friends #1 Soundtrack by Requiem (2009, Mistys XXX Girls, USA)
- Monsters Of Metal Vol. 6 DVD-Sampler (2008, Nuclear Blast GER)
- Monsters Of Death Vol. 2 DVD-Sampler (2007, Nuclear Blast GER)
- Obscene Extreme 2004 Live-DVD-Sampler (2005, Obscene Productions CZ)

TOURS:

- Europe 2012 Co-Headlining with Demonical (SWE), Tormention (SWE) and Erupdead (CH)
- UK-Headliner-Tour in October 2009 with Nox (NL) and Burial (UK)
- Europe 2009 Co-Headlining with Lividity (US), Warpath (IRE) and Nordor (GRE)
- Europe 2008 with Lowbrow (US) and Bloodwraith (BEL)
- UK/Netherlands 2007 with Vader (PL) and Belphegor (AT)
- Europe 2006 with Dismember (SWE), Debauchery (GER) and Infernal Poetry (I)
- Europe 2005 with Vital Remains (US), Bloodride (SWE) and Nominon (SWE)
- Switzerland/Austria 2004 with Benediction (UK), Master (US) and Divine Empire (US)
- Poland 2002 with Perverse (PL)

LIVE-SHOWS:

Over 500 shows with bands like: Vader, Cataract, Obituary, Malevolent Creation, Napalm Death, Suffocation, Morbid Angel, Vital Remains, Master, Gorefest, Dismember, Belphegor, Pungent Stench, Messiah, Gorerotted, Dark Funeral, Nasum, Skit System, Fleshcrawl, Samael, Debauchery and many more

FESTIVALS/OPENAIRS:

Up From The Ground (GER), Soul Grinding Festival (F), Mountains Of Death (CH), Obscene Extreme (CZ), Queens Of Metal (GER), Fuck The Commerce (GER), Grindabalooza (GER), Bringer Of Death Festival (GER), Deathomania Festival (GER) and many more

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Biography

Founded in **1997** by Phil Klauser (Guitars), Ralph Inderbitzin (Guitars) and Roger Kradolfer (Drums) this band still delivers – relentless and uncompromising. In a world full of changes – some refuse to deviate from the path of real and authentic underground music.

In the beginning of **1998** Michi Kuster (Vocals/Bass) from Swiss Black Metal band Moonfog joined the line-up. With this new line-up they recorded a demo CD called «Prophecies Of A Dark Millennium» at a friend's home studio. This album has never been released, they've only made some copies for promotion. REQUIEM's first shows started during that year.

In early **1999** REQUIEM replaced former drummer Roger Kradolfer with Adi Fuhrer (former drummer of Swiss bands Corruption and Megora) and started writing new blasting songs. The typical REQUIEM style was born. During the years 1999 to 2001, REQUIEM played a lot of single shows and some short do-it-yourself tours all over Europe.

In the middle of January **2001**, REQUIEM recorded a 5-song EP called «Nameless Grave» at the Dynamo Studio, Zurich, which was released in March 2001 through Fastbeast Entertainment (CH).

After playing lots of gigs and festivals and signing a deal with Revenge Productions (GER) in February **2002**, REQUIEM decided to record their first fulllength album, called «Formed At Birth». Meanwhile drummer Adi Fuhrer was replaced by Reto Crola from Swiss Death Metal machine Punish.

In January **2003**, REQUIEM recorded «Formed At Birth» at the Dynamo Studio in Zurich again and released the CD in March 2003 through Revenge Productions (GER). Again they played a lot of shows and festivals all over Europe and even supported legendary band Messiah (CH) at their first ever reunion show «Reanimation 2003» at Abart Music Club in Zurich. At the end of 2003 Reto (Drums) had to take a break due to his job and other projects. As a result of that former member Adi Fuhrer was back in REQUIEM as a session drummer. Additionally they received support by former Messiah bass player Patrick Herrsche. That development allowed Michi Kuster to concentrate thoroughly on his vocal duties.

The year **2004** started as a great year: REQUIEM played at the Fuck The Commerce Festival (GER), the Obscene Extreme Festival (CZ) and had a great tour with Benediction (UK), Master (CZ) and Divine Empire (USA) through Switzerland, Austria and Germany. Due to health problems of bass player Patrick Herrsche, bass player Ralf W. Garcia from German Thrash Metal band Uppercut took over the place in November 2004 for the recording sessions of the new album and further shows in 2005.

In early **2005** they recorded a new full-length effort «Government Denies Knowledge». This production was mixed and mastered by Canadian masterminds Jean-Francois Dagenais from Kataklysm (CAN) and Bernard Belley. Many record labels showed interest in releasing «Government Denies Knowledge» finally signing a contract with long-running German metal label Massacre Records. REQUIEM hit the road in September 2005 as support for US Death Metal veterans Vital Remains on their European tour.

The full length CD «Government Denies Knowledge» was released on January, 27th **2006**. After the release and fantastic reviews in magazines and fanzines all over the world the band went on the road again as support of Swedish Death Metal institution Dismember. During December 2006 REQUIEM recorded another album entitled «Premier Killing League» with producer Andy Classen at Stage One Studio (GER). The release date was March, 23rd 2007. Again released on Massacre Records (GER). «Premier Killing League» was supported by a severe live attack leading the band throughout Europe.

In the meantime second guitar player Ralf Inderbitzin left the band due to personal reasons. REQUIEM continued as a four piece and played some festivals in summer **2007**. Another tour followed in June 2007 supporting Vader (PL) and Belphegor (A) throughout the UK and the Netherlands. On August 25th 2007, REQUIEM shot their first video clip for the title song of their new record «Premier Killing League». The video was introduced to the audience on youtube.com, myspace.com and several other online platforms. In addition it even had a TV appearance broadcast on Swiss national television (SF2) in March 2008. Shortly after that REQUIEM began with writing and arrangements for another new album.

In September **2008** a scheduled European tour supporting Extreme Noise Terror (UK) was cancelled due to several problems within the organization. Instead of that REQUIEM went on tour with Florida Death Metal band Lowbrow – again throughout many European countries. December 2008 marked the second time with producer Andy Classen for the recordings of the album «Infiltrate... Obliterate... Dominate...» at Stage One Studio (GER). After the post production of the new record REQUIEM went on a full European tour co-headlining with the US veteran band Lividity.

Shortly after that tour and followed by long proceedings with different labels worldwide REQUIEM finally signed a new deal with German based label Twilight Records in May **2009**. New CD «Infiltrate... Obliterate... Dominate...» will hit the stores on July, 31st 2009 followed by massive live and media promotion. In addition two new video clips will be published prior to the release containing live shots and spectacular views of a real salt-mine. New tours, single and festival shows for the upcoming months and the next year are currently planned.

Forward to February **2010**: After 13 years vocalist Michi Kuster had decided to leave the band due to his new parental duties. It wasn't possible anymore to take part in the busy band schedule. REQUIEM made the decision to continue as a three- piece band with Phil Klauser on guitars, Ralf W. Garcia handling vocals and bass and drummer Reto Crola. REQUIEM entered Stage One Studio in Borgentreich, Germany, in December 2010 again with producer Andy Classen for recordings of their 6th release titled «Within Darkened Disorder».

The album «Within Darkened Disorder» was released on May, 6th **2011** through the label Twilight again. From there onwards REQUIEM played a lot of club shows and hit the road again for a co-headlining European tour with Demonical (SWE), Tormention (SWE) and Erupdead (CH). Sometimes life gives you big-ger obstacles to overcome: this tour was a full-out disaster – all bands were forced to cancel the last 3 shows of the tour due to the financial situation of the tour agency.

In summer **2012** Ralf Winzer Garcia left REQUIEM. It was the right time for him to pursue a new path and becoming a full-time studying musician and guitar/bass tech for various bands. After that REQUIEM continued to move on with a newer lineup and additionally inked a deal with MDD Records (GER) that re-released their latest album «Within Darkened Disorder» in autumn 2012 due to the bankruptcy of their old label Twilight Records.

Sometimes things don't work out within band line-ups and so it happened that in autumn **2013**/early **2014** the classic line-up with original frontman Michi Kuster on vocals, band founder Phil Klauser on guitars, longtime bassist Ralf W. Garcia, drummer Reto Crola plus new addition Matze Schiemann (Guitars) reunited for further live shows and another album recording session. This classic line-up of REQUIEM recorded three albums «Government Denies Knowledge» (2006), «Premier Killing League» (2007) and «Infiltrate... Obliterate... Dominate...» (2009) and toured massively across Europe with bands like Dismember (SWE), Debauchery (GER), Belphegor (A), Vader (PL), Lividity (USA) etc. Between 2014 and 2017 REQUIEM played a few shows every now and then and concentrated on writing new material for another full-length album.

In **2017** they entered Iguana Studios (Necrophagist (GER), Deadborn (GER), Maladie (GER), Unlight (GER) etc.) with producer Christoph Brandes to record their newest effort called «Global Resistance Rising». Recorded in January and February 2017 and finally mixed and mastered in August and September 2017.

In the beginning of **2018** they signed with long-running German extreme metal label F.D.A. Records for the release of «Global Resistance Rising» on March, 23rd 2018 on CD, LP and Tapes. 7 years of a so called release-break were intensely used to write their most brutal material to date. 10 brand new tracks of undisputed brutal old school Death Metal!

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