

MULLINS WORLD, AS WE REMEMBER IT

Ten years ago, the world lost three leading humanitarians in just three weeks.

- o The multi-millionaire princess who filled her life with work for a handful of AIDS and children's charities.
- o A humble nun who dedicated her life to society's outcasts and the poorest of the poor in Calcutta.
- o And a little-known, self-effacing musician who lived in the New Mexico desert in a trailer, and dedicated the last three years of his life to teaching music to Native American children on a reservation.



Rich Mullins – as best as we remember him

Rich Mullins would have been embarrassed to hear his name alongside Diana, Princess of Wales and Mother Teresa, because he never thought of himself as famous or talented. And he never cared about being rich. His role model was St Francis of Assisi.

Like a modern day psalmist, Rich wrote and sang passionately about the trials and triumphs of his pilgrimage.

He is best remembered for the song *Awesome God*, but songs like *My Deliverer*, *Hold Me Jesus*, *Creed* and *Hope To Carry On* are equally memorable.

Artists to record his music include Third Day, Jars Of Clay, Kevin Max, Bebo Norman, Amy Grant, Rebecca St James, Big Daddy Weave, and Caedmon's Call.

Mullins died in a car accident on 19 September 1997.

CROWNS DEBUTS AT #2 ON BILLBOARD

US Christian band Casting Crowns has debuted in Billboard's Top 200 sales chart this week at number two.

The album, *The Altar And The Door*, sold more than 125 000 copies in its first week of release making it the week's highest album debut, and the top artist release in the US, second only to the *High School Musical 2* soundtrack.

The album also registered at number three on the iTunes Top 100.

East West, the first single from the album is racing up *The Rock Across Australia* chart.



Casting Crowns