



Charles Anthony Sablan

May 31, 1956 - March 9, 2017

Charles Sablan, 60, of Chelan, WA, passed away Thursday, March 9th in an automobile accident. Charlie was born in Guam, grew up in Seattle, and raised his family in Bothell. He was an alumni of CWU, where he met his loving wife Cheryl. He spent most of his professional life as a public servant in Parks & Recreation. In his free time he loved to barbecue, work on his home, and spend time with his family. Charlie was preceded in death by his sister Lydia. He is survived by his wife Cheryl of 35 years; two daughters Emily (Matt) and Taylor; parents John and Patricia; brothers John, Glenn, and Will (Dena); numerous nieces and nephews, and a large extended family. A celebration of life will be held at the Chelan Senior Center on Saturday, March 25th at 2:00 pm. The event is welcome to all. "If you love life, don't waste time, for time is what life is made up of." In lieu of flowers, family requests donations be made to charity of your choice.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAR **25**. 2:00 PM (PT)

Chelan Senior Center
534 E. Trow Avenue
Chelan, WA 98816

Tribute Wall



“ *Charles Anthony Sablan*

January 29, 2023 at 08:49 AM



“ *I didn't know Charles well, but worked for him on a tree-related park project in Chelan. He was always a pleasure to work with, easy going and fun. My sympathies are with his family and friends- I know he will be missed. -Randy Kile*

Randy Kile - March 25, 2017 at 04:31 PM



“ *God bless Charles and his lovely family. Charles is so well captured in the photo and brings a bit of loneliness and sadness as I find we will not meet at the Red Apple, the last two occasions of our contact. Charles was always found with an engaging smile and I enjoyed working with him at the City of Chelan. Missed but not forgotten. Thanks for your service to our community. A truly dedicated family man. All the best to your family. Skip Morehouse.... Chelan.....*

Skip Morehouse - March 23, 2017 at 11:08 PM



“ *Hi Charles was fun and delightful to have as an office staff 'mate', in Westbridge, Seattle Parks and Recreation. We are still using the nice guest chairs he found for our unit. Charles - RIP - God Bless the Family - Diane Hood*



Diane Hood - March 22, 2017 at 02:38 PM

DS

“ My name is Daniel Supanich my deepest sympathies to Charles family. I worked at Shoreline School District during the time Charles worked there. I talked to Charles about a weekend home I built on Anderson Island. and later Charles built a weekend home about one mile past mine. I remember meeting his family. Years later my buddies and I would stop and vist him when he worked for Chelan Parks and Recreation. While we were on our annual fishing and camping trip. He always had a great smile a laugh

Daniel Supanich - March 21, 2017 at 09:11 PM

MW

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to his family and friends. Charles always had a smile on his face. He was such a positive and caring colleague. We have the opportunity to make a difference in people's lives everyday with our work in parks and recreation. I will do my best to carry on his positive energy.

Martha Winther, Seattle Parks and Recreation

Martha Winther - March 16, 2017 at 11:32 AM



“ Happy, funny, friendly, warm... he will be missed. I enjoyed working with him at Seattle Parks and Recreation. I recall a visit to Chelan where he gave us the grand tour of the park areas. Kathy Whitman

Kathy Whitman - March 15, 2017 at 11:33 PM

KP

“ *My special thoughts and prayers go to Charles' family. I was so sorry to hear about the accident. I really enjoyed working with Charles. I worked with him when I was at Chelan PUD and Charles was at the City. I not only appreciated his expertise, but the way he was able to work with so many different people and sometimes challenging situations to realize positive results for everyone. He made a tremendous contribution to this world and no question he will be missed. Again I am so sorry and will keep you, his family and friends in my thoughts. Kris Pomianek*

Kris Pomianek - March 15, 2017 at 10:01 PM

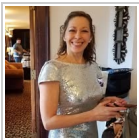
GG

“ *I worked with Charles on OLA projects in Seattle Parks Department several years ago. He was very knowledgeable and a great speaker at public meetings. I enjoyed his humor and willingness to help find creative solutions for tough problems. One unique park in particular, in a very active community with a high demand for a dog park, in a most inappropriate place; where Charles presented the process that educated folks about all things dog park, and how to go about getting it done.*

He has the gratitude of many folks in many communities!

My sincerest condolences go out to his family.

Gary Gibbons - March 15, 2017 at 08:25 PM



“ *I had the pleasure of working with Charles at Parks and appreciated his positive attitude. He always made me laugh. My thoughts and prayer are with the Sablan family and friends. I am so sorry for your loss.*

Corey Myers

Corey Myers - March 15, 2017 at 07:26 PM

JR

“ I had the pleasure of knowing Charlie way way back in our restaurant days. Charlie taught me how to crack 2 eggs at once (to hustle those egg McMuffins out on the weekend morning shifts). Even that task Charlie attacked with cheerful enthusiasm and a desire to excel. I remember his great personality and sense of humor, and always ready smile. A few years later, we crossed paths again, when I met Cheryl and baby daughter Emily, who attended the same daycare as our kids up by Totem Lake. And today I received this terrible news. Condolences to Charlie's family, parents, Cheryl, Emily and Taylor. So very very sorry for your loss.

Joel Riehl - March 15, 2017 at 06:16 PM

CA

“ My thoughts are with Charles' friends and family. He was a wonderfully kind and positive person who will be missed.

Christina Arcidy - March 15, 2017 at 04:21 PM



“ I knew Charles before his Parks days. He was our manager at South Seattle Community College night cooking program. I continued to work for him while he was a manager at the Shoreline Conference Center within the Shoreline School District. Charles was a happy guy most of the times and tried to find the good out of a tough situation. You will be missed and My condolences to the family!



Christopher Jones - March 15, 2017 at 03:44 PM

MB

“ I worked with Charles at Seattle Parks and Recreation. I loved his spirit and he always had a great laugh. After Charles went to Chelan Parks and Recreation, we would catch up with each other at the WRPA Conferences. He will be missed. Hugs and prayers go out to his family and those that worked with Charles.

Mary Pat Byington - March 15, 2017 at 03:09 PM

BR

“ I worked with Charles at Seattle Parks and Recreation. He taught me a lot about having a positive disposition and being kind to others. I am sorry for your loss.

Brian - March 15, 2017 at 03:00 PM

AS

“ I worked with Charles at Seattle Parks and Recreation. He would stop by my office and offer me gardening advice. I was having trouble getting rid of blackberries and he gave me some wonderful tips that I use to this day.

I am so sorry for your loss. He was a very kind and caring person.

Annemarie

Annemarie Stewart - March 15, 2017 at 02:54 PM

PB

“ My deepest sympathies to the entire Sablan family. The photo that is posted on this page truly reminds me of the Charles that I worked with at Seattle Parks and Recreation and makes me smile, even though this time is very sad. Quick with a smile, quick with praise and optimism, and just a "real" human being. I looked Charles up when I was in Chelan last April and couldn't connect. Cheryl, Emily and Taylor, you are in my thoughts and prayers!

Sincerely,
Pam Banks

Pam Banks - March 15, 2017 at 02:51 PM

JP

“ I worked with Charles at Shoreline Public Schools where he was the director of our conference center. What a wonderful, kind, and helpful man. Charles was always gracious and accommodating when it came to helping me and others facilitate the various programs and activities we ran there. I know he will be missed by many.

Joe Peterson - March 14, 2017 at 05:43 PM

JF

“ I worked with Charles a million years ago at the Shoreline School District. I have such fond memories of his warm smile, easy laughter, and mostly the way he would just light up when he spoke of his wife and daughters. He was a proud husband and dad, and a kind gentleman to all. My condolences to his family and the entire Chelan community who have lost this kindhearted soul far too soon.



Jennifer A Farmer - March 14, 2017 at 05:38 PM

MB

“ I worked with Charles in Seattle Parks & Rec. So sorry for your loss, we are all in shock and saddened by this loss. He was truly a happy, caring and compassionate man who was passionate about Parks & Recreation, his friends and his family. Sincerely Mary Beth Josef



Mary Beth - March 14, 2017 at 12:45 PM

JJ

“ My name is Jake Johanson and I had the privilege of working with Charles last summer at Alta Lake. When Charles and I would have our breaks we would talk about everything from Guam to football to his family. I too have a 2 year old daughter named Taylor and Charles shared so many memories of his family with me regarding his girls. I would come home every day and share with my wife a story that Charles had told me that day. He taught me about living life to the fullest and enjoying my young family. I only spent three months with him but he truly had an impact on how I go forward being a father to a daughter and a husband. I can honestly say I enjoyed every second of every conversation we had. I will forever hold the stories that he shared with me. I am so sorry for your loss. I felt inclined to share this with his family who I have never met what a wonderful man Charles was to me and that I was devastated to hear that such a wonderful man had left this world too soon.

Jake Johanson - March 13, 2017 at 09:35 PM