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B enjamin Ballesteros Obituary

Benjamin Soriano “Benny” Ballesteros, 91 of Waialua, passed away on February 6, 2021 at his home in Waialua.

A former employee of the Waialua Sugar Company. At the age of 18, in 1947, he started as a “Hoe-Hana Man” and worked his way up to a “Transplant & Seed Preparation Overseer.” He then retired in 1991 after 43 years of employment with Waialua Sugar Company. He was also an avid Amateur Radio Operator, with the call sign, KH6LJ. He is the founder, manager and chairman of Ohana.Net. His legacy remains alive with many more members across the nation.

He is survived by his son Benjamin Jr. (Cheryl); Daughters, Patricia Wong (Calvin Jr.), Paulette Rivera (Chuck), Laureen Ballesteros (Germaine), Francine Perreira (Jerry Jr.); Grandchildren, Nolan Ballesteros (Ashley), Marisa Ballesteros (Ryan), Calvin Wong III (Chanda), Peni Sabagala (Beau), Christopher Wong (Angela), Jarrod Lunaso, Jodi Waters (Anthony), Jerry Boy Perreira, Justin Perreira (Sarah), Jessica Perreira, Jordan Perreira; Sisters, Marcelina Calilao, Maria Acosta; 18 Great Grandchildren and 1 Great Great Grandchild.

Private services.

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JK

Jack And Neva Miller(Kd7ydk) posted:

A Memorial tree was ordered in memory of Benjamin Soriano Ballesteros by Jack and Neva Miller(kd7ydk). Plant a Treei remember the visit with Ben and Penny many years ago. How my wife and i were treated like family. Ben was one of a kind with the ohana net. We loved the way talked to us on the air. Great memoriesJack and Neva Miller(kd7ydk)

May 14 at 4:36 AM

JK

John Lee Kt6e posted:

I met Ben on the air in 2005. He was quick to welcome me into his o'Hana radio network. What a great man and nice bunch of fellow radio operators. He remembered everyone who checked into his net and always had a good word to offer. I am confident that as long as there is ham radio, there will be the o'Hana net, thanks to Ben.Â

April 28 at 6:47 AM

MS

Michael F Sear posted:

Mike Sear, N7TLL aka ZL1TVMy thoughts go out to Ben's immediate family and to everyone in the worldwide Amateur Radio Community. I met Ben over 30 years ago on 14.268 MHz . I was treated as a valued member of his Ohana from that day forward . For me Ben is Ohana and the Ohana net is Ben, KH6LJ (SK).Â Best regards and Aloha, MikeÂ Â

April 23 at 1:19 AM

BI

Bill posted:

Many thanks to Ben for founding the Ohana net.Â He will always be remembered every time the net meets.Bill NOZV

April 22 at 9:32 AM

DW

Dick Melville - W6dof posted:

All of Ben's friends from the O'hana Net miss him greatly. Ben was one of the first hams that I spoke to after I got my license. He was a wonderful radio friend and truly spread the Aloha spirit to all of his many friends.Â 73 old friend ---Â

April 22 at 9:31 AM



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Wayne Bachman posted:

Ham radio was a passion for Ben. In particular, the Ohana Net, and its spirit of aloha, is what brought Ben and me together. Thru the years it's what turned a radio acquaintanceship into a friendship. My wife and I had the pleasure of getting together with Ben and Penny on several occasions. They always made us feel like long-lost friends, and of course, I remember those meetings with fondness. Of Ben's many attributes, the one I choose to remember him by is his ability to get along with everyone, the cantankerous included. He was inclusive and made everyone feel welcome. In that sense, he really did embody ohana and aloha. He is missed...but also dearly remembered.

April 21 at 10:11 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Benjamin by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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