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Philip "Pas" Ragraola Obituary

On February 18, 1934 in Honokawai, now Lahaina, Maui, Philip "Pas" Ragraola was born to Roman and Simeona Ragraola. He met His Lord and Saviour on March 7, 2019. Around 1940, his father, Roman, and other sugar plantation employees earned round-trip flights to the Philippines. While there, war broke out, so Pas, his three siblings, Marina, Raymond, and Billy, and their parents stayed with family in the Philippines until 1946. They returned to Waialua, Oahu where his father found employment with The Waialua Sugar Company and raised his family.

Growing up with his brothers, they learned to love music and learned to play many instruments. Pas was known to have a uke handy wherever he went to share his love of music.

Pas worked in the aviation field as a sheet metal worker, first with McDonnell Douglas in their work-study apprenticeship program. A division broke off and he was soon working under the North American Aviation company which eventually merged with Boeing in 1996, the same year that Pas decided it was time to retire. Socially, Pas and his wife, Lolly, were active members of the Hawaii Club in Cerritos, CA. since the 1980s and Hui O'hana Waialua since the '70s. In 2012, they decided to retire to their Waialua home in 2012. Pas reconnected with many friends and family in the community. He also became a member of St. Michael's Church accompanying the choir with his uke, of course.

Philip Pas Ragraola is survived by his wife, Glorina; sons, Chazz (Audrey) and Devon; daughter, Lael Ragraola; grandsons Royce (Tanya) and Keenan; granddaughters Cara (Tim) Hirokawa and Camille Vitale; five great-grandchildren; sister Marina Que and brother Raymond "Sonny" (Millie) Ragraola, many cousins, nieces and nephews. Visitation will start at 9:00 am on April 10, 2019 at St. Michael's Church in Waialua. Service starts at 9:30 AM followed by Mass. Burial at 2:00 PM at Mililani Memorial Park. Casual or Aloha attire.



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Emily Palalay Albino Sana posted:

I'm honored to share yesterday's Eulogy.....Good Morning Family and Friends....For some of you that don't know me....I'm from Maui where Manong Pas was born, I may not be his prettiest cousin but I know I'm his favorite....you know that I made that up...he was always fair and doesn't play favorites...Today is a sad day full of emotions under the shadow of a great loss in the passing of our beloved Manong Pas, yet it is wonderful to see so many people here, family, beloved friends, neighbors near and far. We are so grateful that you could join us in this celebration of life for Phillip Palalay Ragragola.Â He has been taken from us.Â In his passing, I feel a personal loss, too great to put into words.Â His encouragement, counsel and wisdom have meant so much to me over the years.Â I want to speak less about what Manong Pax made, and more about what made Manong Pas. How do you summarize the most important examples of what he has done for his family, for the church, and to our community.Â Whenever I approached him for guidance, he used to tell me, GIVE IT TO GOD cousin...that is what I am going to do to honor him and my way of saying thank you Manong...his unconditional love and care to others without expecting anything in return is a gift to all of us...our start on the road to be like him in God's image...I would like to portray his life while reflecting on SUNRISE, SUNSET AND AFTERGLOW..The time of his life is characterized as a SUNRISE...Â It began on the island of Maui, he was born on February 18, 1934, grew up in sugar plantation camps,Â both on Maui and Oahu.Â he survived the war at a young age while he was in the Philippines.Â He later returned to Hawaii and resided in Waialua, graduated from Waihua High School in 1954.Â Growing up during the plantation era, he was raised to believe that obligation to family were not just words, they were thought and deed.Â He married his soul mate, Glorina "Lolly" in 1956 and were blessed with 3 children, Devon, Chazz and Lael.Â They settled in Los Angeles in Manhattan Beach where he worked at McDonnell Douglas (which is now The Boeing Company) for 37plus years.Â Their house was always a place of great joy, laughter and a haven for friends and family, and good food of course...His family's welfare was always his priority, he worked tirelessly and even contributed his time being a home maker and working full time while his wife spend time in school to finish her masters at Pepperdyne University.Â Whatever his wife's dream was, it was his dream too...He was an avid traveler, took his family on road trips across the United States and cruised all over the world, he sure was a wanderlust.Â Although he rarely fished unlike his brothers, he was a good cook, you would never go hungry when he's around.Â He has a collection of guitars, he can play bass, drums, and all types of percussion instruments.Â He has a gift of music and this he shared in family gatherings as well as in church, he loves to serenate, no wonder Manang Lolly fell in love with him, I believe it was love at first sight...how can you not with that contagious smile?Manong Pas wore so many hats in his lifetime, among them, a son, brother, husband, grandfather, uncle, friend, a leader.Â Varied responsibilities to be sure but he approached every role with the same guiding principles: hard work, dedication, honesty, good purpose and service.Â These principles along with a good sense of humor made him a success in everything he did...During his SUNSET years, he and Manang Lolly later returned to their island home here in Waialua, continued to serve all who needed him including those who didn't know they needed him.Â We each have been touched countlessÂ ways how he made a difference in our lives and all the wonders he left behind...We realize what he has meant to our church, families and those of us who have felt his wisdom and advice personally.Â He spent a lot of time tending to his family especially his grandchildren.Â God gave him a wonderful gift of caring and loving unconditionally.Â his entire life was



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