



Ojan "Bob" Aryanfard

January 17, 1976 - August 4, 2009

Ojan "Bob" Aryanfard passed away on August 4, 2009 at the age of 33. He was born January 17, 1976 in New York, New York. Beloved husband of Liz Szewczyk. Dear son of Miriam Aryanfard and Bijan (Janet) Aryan-Fard. Beloved Uncle Bob of Arjang and Katie. Dear brother of Arjang Aryanfard and Heideh (Rob) Rivera. Dear son in law of Gregory (Peggy Beaumont) Szewczyk. Dear brother in law of James (Colleen) Szewczyk. Served as Lt. Col. in the Civil Air Patrol – Van Dyke Squadron.

Previous Events

Service

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St. Jane Frances De Chantal
38750 Ryan Rd
Sterling Heights, Mi

Tribute Wall



“ I had the honor and privilege of meeting and getting to know Ojan in college and shortly thereafter. Ojan had the uncanny knack for being deeply philosophical, heartfelt, and humorous all at the same time. He could join in on Jeff and Victor's deep philosophical discussions on the color red. He took the time to listen and understand if a friend needed to talk about anything. He could also joke around and quote lines from movies such as "Austin Powers" and "Office Space." I had neither seen nor spoken with him since he and Liz were married in October of 2004. However, I knew that the next time we did see each other, we would have picked up right where we left off. He was just that kind of guy. It hurts my heart to know that I will never get to see or talk with him again on this earth, and that he will not get to meet my 14 month old daughter, either. He would always talk about what great times he had with his nephew and niece (giving them lots of sugary foods and giving them back to their parents =). I look forward to seeing him in heaven, praising the Lord (reminiscent of when we would go to "Singspiration" on Sunday nights at Biola). I will miss the times when "da Biola boyz" would take trips to Newport Beach/Balboa Island, or when "da 2225 38th St NW boyz" would make our Costco runs (occasionally having contests to see who spent the most in one trip). Liz, there are no words to express how sorry I am that this occurred. Bijan, Miriam, Arjang, Heideh, Greg, Peggy, James, Janet, Rob: There will never be another like Ojan. Treasure all of the memories that you had with him and remember to treasure all of the current moments you have with one another.##imported-begin##Mark Baesel##imported-end##

August 19, 2009 at 02:52 PM



“ Dear family members, sorry for the tragic loss of Ojan. At Ecclesiastes 9:11 it says: "time and unforeseen occurrence befall them all. When such tragedies occur we ask why this had to happen to us or that person. We may blame God for the mishaps we face in life, but far be it the true God to act wickedly, for at James 1:13 it says "with evil things God cannot be tried nor does he try anyone." So we do look for the promised hope of seeing our dead loved ones again in paradise. Jesus promised us that the time is coming when all those in the memorial tombs will hear his voice and come out.-John 5:28,29.##imported-begin##Nikki Thomas##imported-end##

August 15, 2009 at 08:58 AM



“ Liz, family, friends of Ojan, my heart goes out to all who are mourning the loss of a very special man. He was one of a kind. Although I only had the pleasure of knowing him for a year and a half he left an impression that will endure my lifetime. I miss my friend.##imported-begin##Gary Farnquist##imported-end##

August 11, 2009 at 09:13 AM



“ I am a close friend of Ojan's mother, Mariam. Although I did not know Ojan on a personal level, I feel like I do through his adoring mother. Mariam always speaks of her children with such light in her eyes. She loves them with all of her heart and soul and my heart is crying out for her and all of her family, including his beloved wife and in-laws, as I know they loved him so much as well. I love you Mariam and I am here for you always, Veronica.##imported-begin##Veronica Baker##imported-end##

August 11, 2009 at 03:33 AM



“ I worked with Ojan when he was with the 927th ARW and with him at the 127th. He was a rare fine in a friend. Sadly he will be missed. I think of you in your time of grief.##imported-begin##beverly miser##imported-end##

August 10, 2009 at 11:21 PM



“ Liz and family,
I worked with Ojan, (only one weekend per month), at the 927th Air Force Reserve and I will never forget his willingness to help, the respect he showed to all people and his genuine kindness. He bonded with our unit and became not a 'spoke in the wheel', but a 'tire on the bus' in a very short time...Ojan helped to keep the ride smooth as the 927th Med Group hung up their wings at Selfridge. He was such a great man and while his loss can never be understood or explained, may your spirits be strengthened by remembering the warmth and goodness he shared with so many others and may the everlasting peace he is now living, guide and help support you in the weeks to come. You are in my prayers. Trish##imported-begin##Trish Bauer##imported-end##

August 10, 2009 at 06:28 PM



“ Liz and family; Words cannot even begin to express our sorrow. Sometimes you meet people and just know immediately that you really like them; that "here is a good person". Bob was like that for us. May your memories give you strength and the love of those around you help you through the days ahead. Anne and Allen Kornow

August 10, 2009 at 02:37 PM



“ Liz, family and friends of Ojan my condolences go out to all of you. I really don't know much to say in this difficult time. Ojan was a very good and caring man who I was blessed to have known. My prayers and thoughts are with Ojan and all of you who share in this loss.

August 10, 2009 at 10:57 AM



“ I spent a lot of time over at 2225 38th St in DC, having been a college friend of one of the guys there, and then having dated and married another of Ojan's housemates. Part of why I knew my husband was a good guy was because he had such genuine, warm, smart, fun friends. I liked Ojan instantly. What an addition to heaven he must be making!

Liz, my heart goes out to you. It is painful to imagine what you have endured. Stay strong. You are in my prayers.

August 09, 2009 at 11:31 PM



“ Ojan was always such a good friend to me. He was ever kind, understanding, generous, and a ton of fun. We revelled in the glory of our bachelorhood together as 20-somethings, while it lasted. He was always our group's spiritual leader. When each of us married and left the house in DC, I knew that was the end of an era in our lives that I'll always remember fondly. I'm glad that he had five years with his one true love, and I'm glad that we talked before he died.

I have been greatly saddened by his passing. Since I heard the news, I have heard over and over in my memory one of the first things he said to me: "I work hard, and I play hard." I wonder if God spared him in some way, a long, drawn-out battle with cancer? One more quote before I finish: "I would rather be ashes than dust! I would rather that my spark should burn out in a brilliant blaze than it should be stifled by dry-rot. I would rather be a superb meteor, every atom of me in magnificent glow, than a sleepy and permanent planet. The function of man is to live, not to exist. I shall not waste my days trying to prolong them. I shall use my time." - Jack London

If there is any happy note that may plausibly be sounded in a somber instance such as this, it is that at least he died while playing hard. We'll all miss you.##imported-begin##Patrick Hussey of the Guys at 2225 38th Street##imported-end##

August 09, 2009 at 11:23 PM



“ You will always be my friend. I'll never forget the mark you left on this world and my life.##imported-begin##Tony Hernandez##imported-end##

August 09, 2009 at 07:15 PM



“ I am deeply sorry for the tragedy that happened to Ojan on a fishing trip. He was enjoying his new found skills prior and was having a good time. Ojan was always very respectful, kind and helpful to me and I appreciated him for the gentleman that he was. It is difficult to find the words in this time of sorrow. My prayers go out to Ojan and his family.##imported-begin##Richard Ellison##imported-end##

August 09, 2009 at 05:15 PM



“ Dear Liz and family,

May God bless and comfort you during this most difficult time. We are praying for you and for Bob.

Peace,

Sarah and Rob Weiss##imported-begin##Sarah and Rob Weiss##imported-end##

August 08, 2009 at 02:39 PM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with Ojan's family. He was a well mannered, respectful, and helpful co-worker. He was always willing to step up and help when I needed assistance with anything. I will miss him and his smile.##imported-begin##Verene Goulette##imported-end##*

August 08, 2009 at 11:10 AM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with Ojan's family. I've asked the Lord to ease the pain during this time of sorrow and changing scenes of life. May sweet memories of Ojan "Bob" be the consoling haven to lift the family from the depths of despair and heartache. It was my pleasure knowing and working with Ojan. He magnified joy and inspiration! God Bless!##imported-begin##Gail and Hegel Caldarea##imported-end##*

August 08, 2009 at 10:34 AM



“ *My deepest symphany to the family. Ojan was a wonderful employee, coworker and friend. I will miss his smile, laugh and raised eye's. Always willing to help and do whatever it took to get the job accomplished regardless of the task. I consider my self lucky to have shared time with Ojan and had him as my assistant. He was well educated, talented and most respectful. I often had him fill in for me or the Real Estate section, meeting with others, even dignitaries from the Department of State. We all respected and trusted he could and would the right thing, and he never let us down. My Ojan memories will forever make me smile. May your memories help comfort you at this time of sorrow.##imported-begin##Nancy Panduku##imported-end##*

August 07, 2009 at 08:55 PM