



## Reid Kanani Kitashima

January 8, 1969 - March 22, 2020

Reid Kanani Kitashima, 51, of Bend, Or. passed away on Sunday, March 22, 2020 due to complications from advanced prostate cancer. Kanani was born on January 8, 1969 in Salt Lake City, Ut but was raised in Wahiawa, Hawaii. He attended Kamehameha High School and obtained a degree in Mathematics from University of Oregon in 2007. He was an Eagle Scout and an excellent athlete who loved all sports and fishing.

He is survived by his wife Dawn, sons Brendon Hauoli, Kyle Maluiki, daughter Pariss Kanani and stepson Hunter Evermann; parents Cliff and Sandie Kitashima; siblings Kanoë Shaffery(Ken), Kiana Kurzynowski(Karol) and Isaac Kitashima .

A private family service will be held at a later time. Expressions of sympathy, condolences and support for Dawn Kitashima and family can be sent c/o Niswonger-Reynolds Funeral Home PO Box 5992 Bend, Or. 97708.

Niswonger-Reynolds Funeral Home is honored to serve the family.  
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# Tribute Wall



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**Niswonger Reynolds Funeral Home & Greenwood Cemetery** - May 18, 2023 at 02:44 PM

AL

“ *When I first heard the news about Kanani I just couldn't believe it. I'm typically not one who likes posting anything on social media and I even debated whether or not to share some of my memories, but I knew I would regret it if I didn't. I first meet Dawn and Kanani back when we all worked together at Awbrey Glen Golf Course and right from the beginning I knew that we would hit it off. Both of them had such an uplifting demeanor about themselves that you couldn't help to be in a better mood after spending some time with them. Whether it was at work or hanging out with them at the bowling alley it was truly my pleasure to have known them and even more so to be able to call them my friends. At first glance you wouldn't expect Kanani to have a mathematic background, but I remember back in my college days Kanani taking the time to tutor me for a couple of lessons. Of course being the guy he was he wouldn't take any money for his help, so I had to pay him in the only way I knew he wouldn't say no. That was a case of Bud Light. Cheers to my friend, you will be forever missed. - Alex Pajunen*

**Alex** - April 16, 2020 at 12:00 AM

TJ

“ Dawn-Linda and I were very sorry to hear about Kanani. We miss his smiling face around AGGC. Yours, too. Take care of yourself.

tjstump@bendcable.com - April 06, 2020 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ Oh Kanani, what a great influence you were for so many! I will forever miss the great times that we all had at AGGC. Especially the employee golf tournament and thanks to you and Dawn, the fall employee pool party! We hope to golf soon, wearing a hawaiian shirt and drinking a bud light in your honor. Love ya!

Kristi Borovec - April 03, 2020 at 12:00 AM

KK

“ Reid Kanani Kitashima

Kanoe Kitashima - April 02, 2020 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ I met Kanani in 2012 at Awbrey Glen GC. It was clear immediately that he was a "character ". We had a lot fun and laughs playing golf. Our foursome played weekly, Dan Wilson, Doug Anderson, myself and Kanani. If you had Kanani for a partner in a money game, you were pressured to score well on the front nine, because by time we hit the back nine numerous Bud Lights had been consumed. We will miss his smile and generosity. Our deepest condolences to all of his family. Rory and Molly Howatt

Rory Howatt - April 02, 2020 at 12:00 AM

PS

“ As soon as we knew we had the island of Maui in common, we immediately starting sharing stories. I wish I got to know him better. There are some people that you just know are good people. You can see it in their eyes. He was definitely one of those people. He will be missed!

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**Phil Schliep** - April 02, 2020 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ I first met Kanani at Awbrey Glen Golf Course working in maintenance. He was 35 I was 59 and he trained me. I was thrilled he was Hawaiian as I am also. We played a lot of golf together sucked up many beers and had a lot of laughs. I wear his hand me down tee shirts, bumbye one and pono one now they will be more special. Will miss his kalbe ribs which he was so proud of. To you sweet heart, ALOHA

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**dancwilson1@gmail.com** - April 02, 2020 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ To the man who stole my heart and soul... Miss your smile, laugh, jokes, hugs, kisses, your handsome face, and all our special moments...We share a kiss, a hug, and say "I love YOU" at bedtime, when we awake, everytime we see each other, every goodbye, and every possible moment we feel it necessary...My soulmate for eternity, I know you will welcome me with open arms when I am reunited with you..... Loving YOU always Your Babe, Your Sweetheart, Your DAWN

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**Dawn Kitashima** - April 01, 2020 at 12:00 AM

BK

“ A hui hou Braddah Kanani and condolences to the ohana 🙏 I had the honor of being on the same Wahiawa AYSO soccer team back in middle school years. He attended Kamehameha and I Wahiawa Intermediate. Kanani was very well known and often the lead scorer in the league. I always felt confident we would win watching him zig-zag thru opponents, scoring goals, and intercepting balls. I played only 1 year but you could tell he'd done it for years and had a passion for it. I never seen him much since but I will always remember him as the best soccer forward I've ever played alongside. Until we meet again my braddah... a hui hou champ and Aloha! 🏆🏆🏆 Van "Braddah Kalani" Ascencio

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**Braddah Kalani** - April 01, 2020 at 12:00 AM

TL

“ This saddens me. I've only known Kanani for a few months while at Tetherow, but he was someone I always looked forward to seeing throughout my day. I was looking forward to seeing him once we all got back to work and talk about whatever came up. We have a washer at Tetherow Sport that doesn't like me. It just wouldn't work while I had a shift. He would give me a hard time and ask what I did to make it hate me so much. I can still hear his voice. I already miss his voice and helping hand.

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**Trevor Lizee** - April 01, 2020 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ We will miss Kanani greatly, he was a joy to be around. We have many great memories of time spent with him and his family. We send our deepest condolences for the loss of your loved one. Sincerely Doug and Sue Anderson.

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**Doug and Sue Anderson** - April 01, 2020 at 12:00 AM