



Edmund Hiram

October 1, 1940 - December 15, 2011

Edmund Hiram, 71, of Bloomington passed away December 15, 2011 at IU Health Bloomington Hospital. Edmund was born October 1, 1940 in Honolulu, Hawaii to William and Violini (Leota) Hiram. He worked for the Bloomington Transit as a driver, was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, and a US Navy veteran.

Edmund is survived by his companion, Jerry Matlock, son, Warren Morton, sisters, Aloma Willis, Moana Hanneman, Lani Thompson, Pinkie Crowe, and Noreen Kiailalo, brother, Lambert Hiram. His extended family includes his mother, Cleo Matlock, sisters, Mary Robinson, Katherine Reynolds, brothers, Lloyd Matlock, and Tim Ellis, and his niece Lehua Aplaca.

He was preceded in death by his parents and several brothers and sisters.

Allen Funeral Home is handling arrangements. Friends can send condolences to www.allenfuneralhome.org

Tribute Wall

JE

“ I worked with Ed at Bloomington Transit for quite sometime. He was always a huge help to myself and anyone else in need. He was also a great friend.....We will miss you ED!

Jeff Bailey - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

PE

“ To Ed's family and friends, I am so sorry for your loss. Ed was a breath of fresh air to everyone he met. A gentle and kind man, he was loved by so many. I will miss him, I always enjoyed riding on the bus he was driving. May God Bless You, Ed Aloha, and Mahalo.

Perry Glascoe

Perry Glascoe - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

SA

“ Ed was one of the most kind person I have met. I am sorry for your loss. Aloha and rest in peace Ed.

Sarah Young - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

LE

“ Everyone at Stone Cutters Coffee (a regular stop on Ed's route) sends their condolences to Ed's friends and family. He was the sweetest man, who never seemed to have a bad day and seemed to just really enjoy life. We will miss seeing his smiling face around here.

Leslie Mason - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

MA

“ *This man was truly the salt of the earth. Always wore a smile and was a friend to all. Rest in peace Ed.*

Matthew Tibbs - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

JA

“ *I will miss Ed dearly. He always had a smile on his face and he was laughing. My children & I came to know him as our friend, and always stopped to talk to him in our way to catch another bus, or just passing through. My heart goes out to the family. If you need anything, please don't hesitate to call me. 679-1611*

Jayne Tilford - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

KW

“ *Ed, I along with thoes that knew you, will miss your smile, your love for other's your playing and singing. We will always hold you in our hearts with smiles on our faces. We are so blessed to have been able to have you come into our lives ,also to call you friend, and brother. Thank you for helping me so much,,,Our prayers go out to Jerry an your family.
We will love you always*~~Kathy & Family~~**

Kathy & Wendell Winks - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

PD

“ Ed was our friend, Ed was a friend to ALL. I will miss him deeply, a smile a hug, a song from Ed was a gift from his heart. Ed played and sang at my mother's funeral, and cheered the hearts of those there. He was also a good friend of both of my parents, and died on their Anniversary. I told my mother that I was sending Ed to them, for an anniversary present...! Now he's singing with the angels, and doing his missionary work on the other side. His testimony of the Gospel was strong, and his love for all he met was a beautiful thing to see and hear. Goodbye dear friend, until we meet again on the other side. Love to you...always... Pat

Pat & Ray Doyle - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

AL

“ Dear family members of Mr. Hiram,

It is with this letter I send my sincerest condolences on the death of Edmund. I rode the bus with Edmund on numerous occasions, and he had always been professional with a good sense of humor. Few times that I have witnessed a few passengers being arrogant towards him, his sense of pride as an Hawaiian and one who served for the United States stood out greatly.

I want you to know that the passengers and the drivers of Bloomington Transit will miss him dearly, and send their regrets.

If there is anything I can do, please let me know. I understand that his passing is hitting close to Christmas, I express my sincerest griefs to you and your family.

Again, pleased accept our deepest sympathies.

Sincerely,

Alice Wei

Alice Wei - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

CH

“ *I am sorry for your loss. I will greatly miss Ed. He always had a smile and kind words for me. His testimony of our Lord and wonderful stories of his family, esp. his mother, will always stay with me. Aloha Brother Hiram.*

Cheryl Jenness - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

RO

“ I will miss his friendly smile and wave as we passed in opposite directions while driving.
My heart goes out to you.
Rob Hamros

Rob Hamros - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

CS

“ Ed, Loved you like a brother and I will surely miss you!

carlene stines - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

LJ

“ We are so very sorry of the loss of Ed...we will so miss having him as our very special neighbor...we hope you can draw some peace in knowing how very special he was to us. Much Love John, Lori, Callie and Cooper

Lori and John Haskett - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

ET

“ Dear Jerry, Lehua, and Family,
Please accept our deepest sympathy in the loss of Ed. He was a multi-talented, loved man who shared his ability to play the ukulele, sing, chant and dance in English, Hawaiian and Samoan. We loved the way he shared his life with all of us.

Sincerely,
Edith Tengan Richardson

Edith T Richardson - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

MI

“ I didn't know Ed very well. But I knew him to a small degree. He was one of a few people I called my friend. I hope he's in a better place & at peace. I send my condolences to his friends & loves ones. It's hard when you lose a friend/loved one, especially at this time of year. May God bless us all with His Love & Peace & whatnot.

Michelle Glassman - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

JO

“ Words may never exspress the loss of a dear friend and co worker Edmond Hiram was a Beutiful person who always had a smile and cheerful things to say and his loss will leave a big void that will never be filled but will always be cherished, peace be with his family during these trying times and may god bless and comfort you !

Love Jon and Julie Smith

Jon,Julie Smith - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

JO

“ I want to send my deepest condolences to Ed's family, I worked with Ed. at Bloomington Transit for 4 years. He was such a kind and caring person. He cared deeply for his family and homeland.He often talked of his family with such joy and excitiment. To know Ed. was to have a warm breeze brush your face.He will be missed. His smile would light up a room.My heart goes out to you all.

Janet Oakley - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

DE

“ When I moved to Bloomington from Kaua'i in 1998, Uncle helped ease my transition back to the mainland by (among other things) always giving me a gentle "Howzit?" and a hug whenever we met. In the early 2000s, he graciously allowed me to interview him about his life for a school project, and he was there to offer support, encouragement, and love during a really tough period in my own life. When he started driving bus, he used to stop in the middle of a turn, or just along the street (whether or not there was an actual bus stop), so he could say hello. I will miss his music, his wisdom, his generosity, his testimony of the gospel and Jesus Christ, and his example of what aloha means in practice. Love you, Uncle!

Danille Elise Christensen - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM