



Randall Craig Salisbury

May 26, 1956 - May 2, 2013

RANDALL "RANDY" C. SALISBURY May 26, 1956 ~ May 2, 2013 <https://plus.google.com/117247724532402774634/videos> (cut and paste the link into your browser to watch the slideshow) Randall C. "Randy" Salisbury of Vancouver, WA, passed away on May 2, 2013 from brain cancer. He was born in Los Angeles, California on May 26, 1956 to Gail and Margaret Salisbury. Gail and Margaret moved their family to Olympia when Randy was 4 years old. He graduated from Olympia High School in 1974 and Washington State University in 1979 with degrees in Liberal Arts and Architecture. Randy moved to Vancouver, WA in June of 1979 where he began his architecture career with Nelson, Walla, and Dolle. The firm was renamed the Dolle, Swatosh Partnership (DSP) in 1984. Randy became a principal at the firm in 1995. His area of expertise was in hospital design. He had a hand in over 400 projects at Peace Health Southwest Washington Medical Center. Randy was most proud of the work he did for many non-profits including the Children's Center, Community Services Northwest, Friends of the Carpenter, Salvation Army, Share, Second Step Housing, and YWCA. Randy married Jayne (Austin) Salisbury in 1985. The two were reacquainted at their 10-year high school reunion and married one year later. Randy became an instant dad to sons, Justin and Erik, when they were 5 and 3 years old. He was active in their lives from the start, passing on his love for the outdoors and long road trips. Over the years, the family drove through 43 states and along much of the Trans Canada Highway. Randy's greatest enjoyment was to spend as much time as

possible on the road or hiking. He was most happy hiking the trails in the Columbia Gorge and Gifford Pinchot National Forest. Favorite mountain climbs included Mt. Adams, Mt. Hood, Three Sisters, and Mt. St. Helens. Randy was active in many organizations in the Vancouver area. He was the scout leader for Cub Scout Pack 375 from 1988 to 1993 when his sons were Cub Scouts. He later went on to become an Assistant Scout Master in Boy Scout Troop 731 where he was instrumental in helping Justin and Erik achieve the rank of Eagle Scout. Randy was a member of the Greater Clark County Rotary Club where he achieved 20 years of perfect attendance, served on the Foundation Board, was president of the club in 1999, and was honored with several Paul Harris Fellowships. It was through this organization that Randy became the chair of the New Year's Eve gala held at the Vancouver Hilton for 4 years. He made his mark in the club with his love for singing by writing and recording promotional songs for their annual Rose Sale. He also wrote and performed tribute songs for the out-going president of the club for the past 14 club presidents. Randy was a member of the Chamber of Commerce, the Downtown Vancouver Association, and served as president of the Parking Advisory Committee. He served on the board of the Southwest Washington Red Cross Chapter for many years and was board chair for the past 2 years. Randy is survived by his wife, Jayne; his sons, Justin (Minh Hoang) and Erik (Katie); granddaughter, Iris; and sister, Leslie (Gary) Demich. He was preceded in death by his parents, Gail and Margaret Salisbury. A Celebration of Life will be held on June 1, 2013 at 12:30 PM at the Evergreen Memorial Gardens in Vancouver, WA followed by a reception at Royal Oaks Country Club. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Greater Clark County Rotary Club Foundation or the Southwest Washington Chapter of the Red Cross.

Tribute Wall



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Evergreen Memorial Gardens - July 03, 2025 at 09:51 PM

RH

“ Dear Jayne & family; I was very sorry to hear about Randy. My memories from high school are of a kind, respectful, smiling gentleman. And a great singer in the Madrigals! My thoughts are with you during this difficult time. With deepest sympathy, Rose Harvey

Rose Harvey - June 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM

ME

“ Randy was our friend since the mid 1990s in Rotary Club. In about 2004 he provided vision and leadership that enabled us to renovate and rebirth our old tired 1920s home. The path to renovation and stabilization was daunting especially with a costly and daunting zoning variance process that needed to be successful. Without Randy we likely would have not even tried. He guided us with skill and a smile. We gained encouragement and momentum from Randys vision and were able to achieve results we could not have originally imagined. The renovation and additions to our home were so profound; we think it stimulated renovation and improvement in our business, personal skills, and other areas of our lives. We significantly have Randy to thank for this great improvement.

Mark and Anne Marie Engleman - June 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ Randy was loved by so many of us, and his efforts in the Greater Clark County Rotary Club as well as the Community at large, have made a big difference in so many lives. I cannot think of Randy without a big lump in my heart and a fondness that is beyond expression. I am only one small person whom Randy has influenced in ways that he never knew. Randy was the treasurer of our Rotary club when I was president in 1997-98. A couple of years later he served as president himself. His many wonderful "roasts" of past presidents are fondly remembered by all of us; and the weekly rose sale songs were nothing short of genius. We all miss Randy but his spirit and example of how to live the Rotary four way test will live on in our hearts. Patti & Charlie Bishop

Patti Bishop - June 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ This world is a better place because Randy lived in it. He will be missed by all who knew him. Rex and Debbie Musgrave

Rex Musgrave - June 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

ES

“ Dear Jayne and Family, I will always remember Randy as the nicest friendliest person you could find when I joined the Greater Clark Co Rotary. I will never forget his Rose sale songs. He worked tirelessly for others, a true Rotarian. I am very sorry that I cannot make his Memorial due to family commitments. Earl

Earl Sonnemaker - June 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ Randy will be deeply missed in our community where he was so active and gave selflessly. I will always remember Randy with that big smile that made you feel special. He had so much enthusiasm and such an optimistic attitude that everyone wanted to be with him. He will be deeply missed.

Diane McWithey - June 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ Randy always gave more than he received not just figuratively, but literally. The gift you gave him for serving as your board member, would be doubled when you served as his. The handshake you offered the first time would be warmly returned again and again with more love and enthusiasm. I'll miss Randy.

Mike Thomas - May 31, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KR

“ Dear Jayne & family, I know that there is nothing that can be done or said to make up for the loss of Randy. I hope that knowing how many lives Randy touched, how many miss him and the happiness that he brought to those he interacted with makes your loss just a little easier.

Kim Rocha - May 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ Jayne, Thinking of you and your family as you work through many emotions in preparation for Saturday. Praying for peace in your hearts. It will be good to be surrounded by so many friends and family. See you Saturday. ~Corinne Schaefer

Corinne Schaefer - May 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ Jayne and family, I will remember Randy always for his fun songs, generosity through service and his welcoming smile. I remember when I was Treasurer of the Rotary Club, he always wanted others to know they were appreciated and thanked me just about every week for my service. He can watch over us all now and guide us in spirit.

Danette LaChapelle - May 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ I knew Randy only for a short time as I was inducted into the Greater Clark County Rotary in 2012. I found Randy to be such a positive energy with his music and songs. I love remembering the Beach Boys era and Randy brought those years and memories back in a different way with his lyrics. I didn't know Randy well but yet he touched my heart and life forever. He made me smile when I saw him at Rotary and I miss seeing his smile at Rotary.

Sanny T Wood - May 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Goodbye Randy, we will miss you but your presence will always be with us.

John Sauer - May 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ Jayne and family, We are so sorry for your loss. Randy was an extraordinary example of "Service Above Self" Not just in Rotary but to many organizations, charities and to his friends. Through his songs, big smile and even bigger heart he quietly changed us and this community forever. Thank you for sharing him with all of us...he will be greatly missed.

Dean and Trudie Patterson - May 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ Vancouver lost an outstanding citizen. We lost a very good friend. Our sympathy to Jayne and family.

Jim & Cheryl Doyle - May 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ Randy will certainly be missed. We worked on a lot of projects together. I think the first project we worked on together was the garage for the YWCA. A great Rotarian, I don't think Randy missed a hammer and nail project in the last 20 years.

Dorman Holcomb - May 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ Words just can't describe the emptiness of losing someone like Randy. Just a nice guy. It's like the song we sang last year when he was Rotarian of the year. "Oh Randy, you came and you gave without taking". Our thoughts and best wishes to Jayne and family.

John and Debbie Deane - May 25, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ Randy was such a special human being. His quiet strength, compassion, quick smile, great sense of fun, and amazing talent will long be remembered. The gifts that he gave to our community were innumerable. Randy, know that you were well loved and will be missed.

Dennis and Linda Breitenstein - May 25, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ Jayne and family, We both know deep in our hearts that YW Housing/Second Step Housing would not exist if it weren't for Randy. He was our architect, our guide, our friend on every project. We have 9 little evergreen trees growing at our new home in the Gorge - trees we got at a fund raiser for CSNW when we sat with Randy and Jayne. We see Randy in the forest, on the hillsides and in our hearts. We miss him.

Julie DeSmith & Jackie Parker - May 25, 2013 at 12:00 AM

NW

“ I only knew Randy by his smile. I was a tenant in his building, and he appeared to be a great guy. After I joined his Rotary club, my suspicion was affirmed that he absolutely was a phenomenal person. I wish I had a chance to get to know him, but good thing he left a great legacy to glean from. I wish his family and friends my condolences, and many prayers for God's peace and blessings!

Nathan Webster - May 25, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RW

“ Jayne - I was so sorry to hear about Randy. My sincere condolences to you and your family. Randy was a huge part of my High School experience. I have such fond memories of all the great times we had singing and being together. What wonderful enthusiasm and energy he had. He will be missed by so many. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Reed.

Reed West - May 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ Jayne and Family, Our thoughts and prayers have been with you and are with you everyday. Randy's passing is a huge loss for his family, friends, co-workers and community. Randy contributed greatly to our community and did it very quietly. In fact it is taking a whole committee to fill Randy's shoes with the songs he created in Rotary. I always said if I had another house or building designed, Randy would do it because I know what a perfectionist he was. We miss him.

Lynn Miller - May 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ Randy was an amazing man. I am a better person for having known him

rod cook - May 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ Randy was president of our Rotary club when I made a visit looking for a club. I didn't look anymore. What an awesome, honest, loving person. I hope he is working for God now on big projects.

Red Gilbert - May 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ Randy was one of my favorite Rotarians. He was a pleasant , calm, logical influence and a talent that it took me a long time to recognize. I feel honored to have known him. His singing voice will be noticeable missed.

Don Beatty - May 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ Jayne, You and your family are in all of our hearts and prayers. Randy was an amazing, creative, warm and intelligent man whose love for you was always readily apparent, and whose love for his community was demonstrated on an almost daily basis. His footprints through our community will be seen for many years to come.

Paul Montague - May 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM

VH

“ To Jayne and the rest of Randy's family. I feel so honored to have had the privilege of knowing Randy. He is an inspiration to all of us. I am so very sorry for your loss.

Virginia Huang - May 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ Jane, I am so sorry. I had no idea he was ill/gone until Keith Krause/Reed West told me. I have great memories of singing at OHS w/him and having a snow-forced over-nighter at his home in Oly. Times I obviously will never forget. Thank you for including us every year to the adventures of your family. Know that I am praying for you and your kids....really. dave

David G.M. Anderson - May 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CL

“Randy was a wonderful fellow Rotary club member! I worked on many projects and causes with him, & he was always a leader in organization & fundraising. Randy & Jayne were magnificent musicians, producing talented entertainment esp. to promote our club's annual rose sale. When I was president, I told Randy we could use his old songs instead of having to produce new ones, but he would have none of it-fresh new songs every year! As outgoing president, they sang me a song in tribute to my year, and it brings tears to my eyes to remember it. I don't know if I could have ever have thanked them enough, and now Randy is gone. I hope that at the end, it brought him some comfort to know that he did live a truly wonderful life. Our community is by far better off with Randy having been here. The buildings he designed might not last forever, but the legacy of Randys life while he was here touch all of our lives and will into the next generations. Rest in God's peace, Randy.

Chris Lucia - May 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MB

“Randy was such a wonderful guy, and though we only met a few times via my mom, it was great talking to him and getting to know him. I'll miss being able to chat with him!

Melissa Boles - May 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PM

“Randy was one of the finest and most talented gentlemen I have ever had the pleasure of knowing. We will carry found memories of Randy in our hearts for years to come.

Paul Mabie - May 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Randy was never afraid to say, "I don't know", or "I made a mistake", or "I need help", or "I'm sorry". and he never compromised his integrity. I would say his life was filled with happiness and fulfillment.

Julie Burger - May 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ Randy made a profound impact with everyone and everything. He will be in our hearts forever!

Rhona Sen Hoss - May 13, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ Please accept my heartfelt condolences. May Randy forever live in the many, many hearts that he touched with is kind and loving spirit.

Chrissy Moe - May 13, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ Charles and I will always have a special place in our hearts for Randy. Personally, Randy was a teacher and mentor to me. I learned so much from working with him and watching him "in action" - and a man of action he was. I'll miss his quiet wisdom.

Carol Mackey - May 11, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MG

“ A sad loss not only for Jayne and their extended family but also for their ROTARY family. Randy will be sorely missed by all.

M & N Gaston - May 11, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ Jayne and Salisbury Family Randy was an amazing person and will truly be missed. He was always full of energy and drive to improve our community and our Rotary Club. From the Rose Sale Songs, to the Installation Banquet President Songs, to his service on the Foundation Board and his countless hours of work on the Gala and hammer and nail projects he was the embodiment of a true Rotarian. The most amazing thing was how artistic and creative he was and then how he could shift into being very detail oriented. You and your family will be our thoughts and prayers

Dan Clark - May 11, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ I, like many others, was so heartsick when I learned of Randy's cancer, because he has filled all our hearts so willingly and openly for so many years. While I grieve his passing, I rejoice in knowing that he is with his Maker now, probably leading the choir up there. God bless him, God bless your family and may the Holy Spirit bring you peace and comfort in the days ahead. Jayne, you and your family have been and remain in my prayers and in the prayers of the faculty and staff at St. Joe's.

Judy McMorine - May 11, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RK

“ Extending our deepest sympathy at this tragic loss. I had the pleasure of knowing Randy for many years. All of the experiences that we shared in Rotary, not to mention being involved on the District level of Boy Scouts of America. Randy was one of the kindest people that I ever knew. He will be deeply missed.

Rich Koplan - May 11, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RA

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with your family.*

Robin Anerson - May 11, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ *The girls and I were so sorry to hear of Randy's illness and are saddened by his loss, not only for you, but the loss to our community and our Rotary Club. He was such an outstanding person to know and so generous with his time. We will all miss him.*

Dellan Redjou - May 11, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *Rest in Peace Randy.*

Mike Milholland - May 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ *One of the most beautiful persons I have ever been fortunate enough to cross paths with. Randy will always be that special shining light; that wonderful smile; that perfect example of Service Above Self. We should all try just a little bit harder to do what is right in memory of his good heart - lost much too soon to this world. My thoughts are with his family.*

Sue Barham - May 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM