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I have known Frank since 1986 (27 years ago). On 1986 at INTELSAT a group of us started hanging together after the work and sometimes playing tennis and ping pong during lunch hours. We were bunch of people ranging from single, separated, divorced, and married that did not want go home after work. On Thursdays after work we played volleyball at a play ground near INTELSAT. Our dear colleague Jahangir Tehrani was organizing the volleyball games, other dear colleagues, Joe Bulko and Frank Subaran always showing up with coolers full of beers and sodas for everyone. After volleyball we usually went to a restaurant across the Washington Zoo at Connecticut Avenue, we called it Zoo Bar, for food, more drinks and philosophical discussion about life.

After we learned that Frank is playing guitar and singing, we decided to form a band. After many days of discussions we named the band IRACHICARUSA standing for Iran, China, Caribbean, and USA. Our manager was Fawad Abbas from Pakistan, our solo singer was Rafael Zamora from Bolivia, and our woman singer was Nui Phinainitisart from Thailand. We performed on International Festivals at INTELSAT. Unfortunately, we did not produce any CD for commercial market.

One time we traveled together to Thousand Islands in Canada. On the way back to USA, the US immigration officer forced us to get out of the car and go to his office. Our passports were from Pakistan, China, Bolivia, Iran, Jamaica, Thailand and USA. The officer assumed that we are members of an international mafia. He was curious that how we know each other. A few years later, Joe Bulko, the only USA passport holder among us in that trip, told us the story about his return to USA. He said that every time he came back to USA from Thailand, he was questioned by the immigration officer. According to the immigration officer he fits profile of an older American that travel very often to Thailand.

Frank always signed his e-mails with:

*Peace & Love, Frank*

I have one of his last emails to our dear friend Nui, which he wrote on December 29, 2012:

Hey Nui

Enjoy your visit to the mountains. Being a country boy at heart, I know how serene the countryside and mountains are. Happy New Year to all, being born in 1941, this will be my year, the year of the snake!

*Peace & Love, Frank*

Frank was genuinely believed in Peace not war of aggression by any country and government. We exchanged a lot of news and information about peace movements at USA and around the world.

Frank also genuinely believed in love. He was helpful to anyone that asking for help at work and outside the work environment. He did not have any boundary to show his love and affections.

Frank was also a generous person. I remember that he offered to make reservation for the party room at Van Ness North building, when he was living there, for Joe Bulko’s retirement party. Many times I and my spouse stayed in his motel. He always tried to give us the best rooms and refuse to take any money. Even he refused to take any money from my son and his girlfriend that stayed in his motel for a couple of nights. Sometimes a group of us went to visit him and we occupied 3 or 4 rooms, but again he refused to take any money.

Frank was also a person to believe in justice. He stood for the rights of INTELSAT employees, when he was president of INTELSAT Employee Association. Richard Colino, Director General of INTELSAT fired him because he believed that the rights of employee should be protected. The same director general, Richard Colino, a few years later was forced to resign and went to jail for embezzlements of millions of dollars from INTELSAT funds.

Frank was a fighter for his rights. He fought with INTELSAT action of injustice to fire him for many years, and finally forced them to backed-up and rehired him. Another in justice was that INTELSAT rehired him as a new employee, without considering his previous years of service to the company. Frank was also fighting INTELSAT for rights of retirees, which I do not know the details of disputes.

Today, I am glad to see many colleagues from INTELSAT here celebrating the life of dear Frank, but I would like to mention the name of two friends that would love to be here today, but could not, Mr. Rafael Zamora from Bolivia and Ms. Nui Phinainitisart from Thailand.

So, Frank for me is symbols of Peace, Love, Generosity, and Justice. I miss him terribly and like to follow his path.

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