



Takanobu D. Watanabe

February 16, 1979 - July 23, 2023

Watanabe, Takanobu D., suddenly passed on July 23, 2023 age 44 of Plymouth. Beloved son of Kyoko and Koji Watanabe. Loving brother of Johnny (Stacey) Watanabe , Sonny Watanabe, Taiki (Amalia) Watanabe and Yuko Watanabe . Dear uncle of Kaisei, Koto, Yuuki and Kazuki. Loving companion Mei-Chan.

Taka was the 1996 Michigan State High School Wrestling Champion for the 135 pound weight class representing Novi High School.

Private cremation services were provided by Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, Plymouth.

At the family's request, the Bendernagel, Dettore and Harris families are honored to host a Celebration of Life for Taka on August 12th at 4 PM at Wolverine Lake Beach off Delmonte Road, Wolverine Lake. Please bring a dish to pass if possible and BYOB however nonalcoholic drinks, restrooms, and beach/swimming access will be provided. Please join us in celebrating our dear friend and if possible, please send photos you have for our photo boards.

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Tribute Wall



“ *Takanobu D. Watanabe*

December 07, 2023 at 05:11 AM



“ *Johhny/Stacey-Koji/Kyoko, Sonny, Taiki, Mei Chan and extended family:*

It's still unbelievable that Taka could be gone.

He was a good person with an incredible heart and sense of humor.

There is a hole in your hearts and in your family. I will be unable to pay my respects in person but you're in my thoughts.

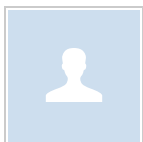
Love Tara

Tara Rotthoff - July 30, 2023 at 06:53 PM



“ *I worked with Taka back in the late 90's at Bennigans. He was such a nice guy great co-worker. He will be missed.*

Troy - July 27, 2023 at 01:06 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Takanobu D. Watanabe.*



July 26, 2023 at 08:27 PM

WO

“ I used to work at Musashi back in 2006-2008, I remember Taka as a very enthusiastic and fun person. He helped me a lot when I had a questions. I am very sad to see he passed away. I feel very sad for Kyoko and Koji. Rest in peace Taka. Please accept my deepest sympathies to you and your family.



Woori - July 26, 2023 at 09:53 AM

EL

“ Dear Taka, you were such a lovely person. Such a kind and caring man. I will miss you as the wonderful neighbor that you were; always willing to lend a hand, and keep an eye on me. You shared your generator when our power was out, and always had a smile and conversation. I will miss you tremendously.

elizabeth - July 25, 2023 at 04:07 PM

ST

“ We lost one of the best! Taka was truly an inspiration to all he worked with, from his wit, his smile and laugh, and his sense of humor! He brought out the best in people. He will be missed by all that had the chance to know him. My condolences go out to the family and friends in this time of loss.

Sean Thompson - July 25, 2023 at 11:49 AM

JB

“ Taka was such a wonderful person. I enjoyed working with him at Hillers. I will always remember him.

Judy Burke - July 24, 2023 at 09:53 PM

MJ

“ *Rest in Peace Taka. I will always remember the many conversations we had when we were both working for Kroger. And how personable and witty you were. You will be missed by many. My condolences to your family and friends at your loss.*

Marc Jean - July 24, 2023 at 09:35 PM

SL

My heart goes out to the many Family members and friends who had the pleasure of knowing such a wonderful man. He was the BEST!! I will sadly miss him and FOREVER remember him 🙏 You were one in a million Taka.....Rest in Peace.

Sheila LeFlouria - July 25, 2023 at 08:54 AM



My prayers and sympathy go out to his family. Taka was a fantastic person. I remember spending many nights working the midnight shift and we would have these great talks, sometimes about what was going on in each others lives. He was a great read of people, but always treated people with the upmost respect. The world was a better place because of this young man.

Stephen Sarbaugh

Stephen Sarbaugh - July 25, 2023 at 03:16 PM

CR

Taka was a wonderful neighbor. My heart goes out to all his family and friends. He was a warm bright light and always had a smile. He (and precious May) will be very much missed in the neighborhood.

Cynthia Reffner - July 25, 2023 at 08:11 PM

JR

Johnny and family

I was very sorry to learn of your brother's passing. Words fail at a time like this, but I wanted you to know I am thinking of you at this very sad and difficult time and wishing there was something I could do to help.

Take Care and focus on the happy memories. They will carry you through this journey.

Sincerely,

Judy Rotthoff"

Judy Rotthoff - July 30, 2023 at 08:39 PM