



Ángel Manuel Cabán

April 3, 2021

Ángel Manuel Cabán, known fondly as ‘Cabán’ passed away on April 3, 2021 in Sarasota, Florida, lovingly surrounded by his immediate family. Cabán was born in Camuy, Puerto Rico to Carmen and Ángel Cabán.

After graduating from high school in Río Piedras, Puerto Rico, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy, serving on the tank landing ship USS Lorain County (LST 1177) based in the Mediterranean Sea. Later he earned a Bachelor of Architecture degree from University of Florida in Gainesville. He then returned to his native Puerto Rico, where his uniquely modern designs garnered multiple industry awards, and was elected to be chapter President of the American Institute of Architects, as well as serving as an adjunct professor at Inter-American University’s School of Architecture. Notably, his family’s home, an originally-designed residence constructed over a tall hillside rock’s edge, was profiled in Architectural Digest. Cabán was a leader of the extensive restoration and renovation of historic colonial buildings across Old San Juan. He also served in Costa Rica as Peace Corps Country Director, overseeing more than 120 staff and volunteers.

Cabán was known for his quick wit, generous nature, and passion for design. He was a very good man, noble, who enjoyed life, friends and family. He and his wife Isabel established long-lasting friendships in various residences in Washington D.C., San José, Costa Rica, San Juan, Puerto Rico, and Miami,

Naples and Sarasota, Florida. He was a caring, nurturing father, and abuelo.

He was preceded in death by his beloved parents, Doña Carmen and Don Ángel, his eldest brother David Cabán, and just two months prior by his beloved sister, Carmen Cabán Orlandi.

He is survived by his devoted wife, Isabel Montalván Cabán of Sarasota, Florida, his children, Carlos Manuel Cabán of Miami, Florida, Margarita Cabán Dooley of Bradenton, Florida, and David Warren Cabán of Wellington, Florida; his son-in-law Kevin Dooley and his daughters-in-law Carmen Alfonso Cabán and Ileana Arzola Cabán; and his brother Ramón Cabán of Río Piedras, Puerto Rico. He especially enjoyed his six grandchildren, Alexander Kevin Dooley, David Christian Dooley, Julianna Isabel Cabán, Carlos David Cabán, Nicole Angelie Cabán, and David Michael Cabán.

Cabán enjoyed boating, gardening, the opera and classical music, foreign films, and creating ornate puzzle sculptures. He and his wife greatly enjoyed traveling and visited more than 40 countries during their nearly 60 years of marriage.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in memory of Ángel M. Cabán may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Tribute Wall

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Geoffrey A Webster - December 27, 2024 at 09:37 AM

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I am researching 'Caban' and am trying to find out if this house was designed by him. If any family members know, please reach out as we are now the proud owners.

Geoffrey A Webster - December 27, 2024 at 09:40 AM

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“ A memorial service will be held on Saturday, May 15, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. at Saint Martha Catholic Church in Sarasota, Florida.

Maggie Cabán Dooley - April 09, 2021 at 11:52 AM

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“ Cheers to an exceptional father-in-law. We were all incredibly fortunate to have him in our lives. Kevin



Kevin Dooley - April 09, 2021 at 08:22 AM