



## Seth Nathaniel Witherup

March 16, 1997 - February 21, 2019

SGT Seth Nathaniel Witherup, 21, passed away on February 21, 2019, on Marine Corps Air Station Iwakuni, Japan. Seth was born March 16, 1997, to Imelda Ortiz and Ron Witherup in Corpus Christi, TX. Seth is survived by his mother Imelda, his father Ron, his sister Clarisa, and his brother Sean, as well as many grandparents, aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Seth experienced life to the fullest. He loved his family deeply, cherished his home in the Pacific Northwest, and always dove head first into new experiences. Seth was quick to laugh, and driven to help and serve others-be it a stranger on the street, his friends, or his country. Seth's trademark smile was known around the world and embodies the friend, brother, and son we will all miss very, very much.

Visitations will be Friday, March 8 (5:30-7:30 pm) and Saturday, March 9 (11 am-1 pm and 3-6 pm), at Evergreen Memorial Gardens in Vancouver, WA. A Celebration of Life service, followed by reception, will be held on Sunday, March 10, from 11 am-2 pm at Prairie High School, 11311 NE 119th Street, Vancouver, WA.

In place of flowers, donations to the PTSD Foundation of America would be appreciated by the family. Donations can be made through Evergreen Memorial Gardens or directly online at:

[https://ptsdusa.org/event-donation-page/?event-name=In memory of Seth  
Witherup](https://ptsdusa.org/event-donation-page/?event-name=In%20memory%20of%20Seth%20Witherup)

# Tribute Wall

KL

“ *Klackaff@live.com lit a candle in memory of Seth Nathaniel Witherup*



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**Klackaff@live.com** - March 09, 2019 at 12:00 AM

CK

“ *I love you son*



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**Chuck Keagy** - March 09, 2019 at 12:00 AM

JV

“ *Jill Vesey-Teixeira lit a candle in memory of Seth Nathaniel Witherup*



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**Jill Vesey-Teixeira** - March 07, 2019 at 12:00 AM

LP

“ I met Seth at WTI in Yuma Arizona about two years ago. He randomly told me that he liked my shirt when I was walking by. I said thank you and continued to head to my room. I would sit alone after work because i really didn't know anyone, then him and his friends invited me over to sit with them. After days it ended up just being Seth and myself sitting together. We would talk for hours about our families, our experiences, we would just talk about ourselves. For hours. Every day after work. I was more of the shy type of person but he could start a conversation with anyone. Fast forward we reconnected during my UDP in Japan. I remember inviting him to our barracks to hang out. He automatically met some guys from my unit. I remember all of them would constantly talk to him, he would get along with anyone and everyone. He took me and my friend around Japan that following weekend. We went to Hiroshima and Miyajima. The most beautiful times I have had in Japan was because of him. He was an amazing Man. After his passing I had multiple people from my unit come up to me and tell me how much of an amazing guy he was. Seth was the type of person you won't find within anyone else, he was one of a kind. Once you met him, you will forever remember him. That's just how he presented himself. Coming to Japan was the best thing that could happen to me, because I got to reconnect with Seth.

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**Lani Potter** - March 06, 2019 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ I met Seth back in elementary school and then he moved away. I later connected with him when he came to Prairie for JROTC (I was in it too) and we were good friends after that. I remember one time where he rode his bike from Cascade Park to East Orchards (where I lived) just to hang out. He was so tired when he got to my house, but told me it was 100% worth it. I will always cherish the Seth who did anything to be a good friend, even if it meant riding 10 miles on a bike to see them. I love you, Seth. You're always in my heart.



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**Mia Jenson** - March 05, 2019 at 12:00 AM