



Charlie Ruben

January 11, 1952 -
November 8, 2012

The family of the late Charlie Ruben would like to express their deepest gratitude for the overwhelming support and care received from family and friends, near and far, during this difficult and sad time.

Charlie was born at Coalmine on the Hornaday River on January 11, 1952, to Johnny Kummun and Celina Devuan Ruben, the youngest of six children. As a young boy, he was sent to Inuvik to attend residential school for four years, but his father requested for him to come back to Paulatuk when he became crippled in an accident. He was taught by his uncles to hunt, fish, & trap to help provide for his family. During the winters he guided sport hunters for polar bears, musk-ox and wolf, in the spring for grizzly bears, and in the fall for caribou. He had clients from all over the world, and loved to be out on the sea ice and on the land, especially during spring for geese hunting. He is survived by his two daughters, Kayla Anne Ruben Harwood (b. 1991), and Megan Elizabeth Ruben Harwood (b. 1994); brother Alex Ruben (Ruth) of Gjoa Haven and sister Mary Green (Tony) of Paulatuk; Uncles David, Marcus and Edward of Paulatuk, and John of Tuktoyaktuk; and many loving cousins, nieces and nephews near and far. He was a dedicated and loving father, and took the greatest of pride in his daughter's accomplishments and their happiness. He was a devoted Calgary Flames fan, an excellent ice hockey player, a volunteer firefighter, expeditor, and teacher-of-youth on the land. He will be sadly and deeply missed by his family, friends, clients, and co-workers, and all who knew him.

God Bless and Rest in Peace, Charlie

Donations in Charlie's memory can be made to the Inuvialuit Social Development Fund (Paulatuk), Bag Service #21, Inuvik, NT Canada, X0E 0T0, to support traditional teaching of Paulatuk youth out on the land.

Kayla and Megan Harwood, Lois Harwood and the Ruben family and friends.