



SUBRATO CHANDRA

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Subrato Chandra, Ph.D. passed away Friday, January 13, 2012. He emigrated from Kolkata, India to the United States in 1971 and shortly thereafter married his wife of forty years, Mitra Chandra. He moved to Florida in 1976 and worked as a research engineer for the Florida Solar Energy Center (FSEC) for over thirty years. During his career he was recognized by his alma mater, West Virginia University, his employer, University of Central Florida, and the state of Florida as a distinguished and meritorious researcher in energy efficient housing. He also served as a board member for the American Lung Association of Central Florida for several years. He retired from FSEC in 2010 and joined the Pacific Northwest Research Laboratory where he continued his illustrious research career.


He loved to travel and frequently visited his family in India along with taking vacations to international destinations. He also was an avid jogger and would rarely miss his three mile jog through Jay Blanchard Park in Orlando. He was an aficionado of classical music, especially Baroque.

He is survived by his father, S.D. Chandra; his wife, Mitra; his daughter, Seema; his son, Samir; his brother, Sugato; and his two sisters, Sucharita and Shrabani.

A memorial Service is scheduled for Sunday, January 29, at 2:00 PM at South Econ Community Park. In Lieu of flowers the family request donations to "UCF Foundation, Inc." There are three ways to contribute 1-Bring a check to the Memorial Service written out to "UCF Foundation, Inc" and in the memo line, write "in memory of Subrato Chandra. 2- Online, go to www.ucffoundation.org and make a one time donation to UCF Foundation, Inc. In the tribute line (bottom of the form) write in "in memory of Subrato Chandra" 3- Mail a check to UCF Foundation, Inc with the memo line as above. Mailing address is: UCF Foundation, Inc 12424 Research Parkway Suite 250 Orlando , FL 32826. We will notify all of you in three months as to how the donated funds will be used.



Service

 **Sunday**, January 29, 2012

 2:00 PM ET

 South Econ Community Park



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DP

Danny Parker posted:

I shared many things with the family when we lost Subrato, now nearly ten years ago. I worked with Subrato closely for more than twenty years. He had my tremendous respect, as a scientist, as an intellect and as a person. I cherished that he was free thinker and was willing to disagree with you and at the same time maintain an open mind with a wink and still respect you. The world today could use more of that. He frequently lead a close and revealing conversation with these words: "My friend..." And he was. For some reason his memory came to me strongly, in the last day and I was flooded with beautiful memories about our time together. Truly a marvelous human being. I still miss him ten years later. Danny Parker FSEC

August 27 at 1:09 PM

TM

Tim Merrigan posted:

In addition to all the wonderful work that Subrato did in buildings research, Subrato wrote "A Guide to Solar Water Heating in Florida" in 1977-78 -- a very much needed publication for the State of Florida in the post-oil embargo days. Subrato explained how a SWH system worked, the various SWH system types, sizing, and economics for Florida homeowners. For me, it was a true technical introduction to what has been the foundation of my life-long career in solar energy. Thank you Subrato! I was privileged to call you my mentor, my boss, and my friend. Tim Merrigan, FSEC and NREL

February 14 at 1:40 PM

MB

Mike Barcik posted:

Our condolences to the family. Dr. Subrato was a great influence on many and has left a legacy of many who share his desire to better our world. Sincerely, Mike Barcik, Southface

February 13 at 7:07 AM

BD

Badrish Davanagere posted:

This is huge loss for his dearest family and the engineering world. I worked with him for a short period of time and have nothing but great memories from that duration. His ever-smiling face will be missed greatly. I pray to God that his family is given enough strength to get through this painful time. Dear Dr. Subrato, may you rest in peace! -Badrish Davanagere and family

February 10 at 6:13 PM



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JM

Jeff Murray posted:

Dear Mrs. Chandra, Seema and Samir,I had the great pleasure of working for Subrato during my last years at UCF. I have always looked back on my experiences at FSEC as some of the most pivotal in my life. Subrato's guidance and support were the foundation for my career and I can not think of my professional life without him. The last time I was able to visit with Subrato was during a trip to FSEC in 2008. As always he was smiling and cheerful and very interested in how things turned out for me. It is a rare thing to encounter a human being who is gifted in so many ways. My heart truly goes out to all of you and I will continue to think of him always. Knowing how hard it is to lose someone you love, I truly hope that wonderful memories will fill a few moments of your life each and every day. My deepest sympathies to all of you.Jeff Murray

January 30 at 7:57 AM

MC

Madhavi Chokshi January 31 at 5:09 AM

Mitra and family,Losing a loved one is never easy, even though we all know that this is one certainty of life that we all have to face. However, when we are forced to face it, we are left feeling helpless. Only time will heal and memories you have shared together will soothe the heart ache. Know that although Dr. Chandra is no longer with you physically, he will always be with you in spirit. Feel his presence in the beautiful colors of a rainbow, in the fluttering of a vibrant butterfly, in the humming of a bird...My prayers for his soul to forever rest in peace.
Madhavi

GA

Gobind And Kiran Atmaram posted:

I had known Subrato Chandra for more than 30 years while working at the Florida Solar Energy Center (FSEC). He and I had special kinship because of both of us hailing from the same alma mater, IIT Kharagpur. Subrato was highly regarded by his colleagues, and widely respected among his peers in his area of Buildings Energy Research. Subrato was an innovative thinker, brilliant scientist, improvising engineer and an excellent manager.Subrato initiated the Energy Efficient Housing Research at the FSEC and pioneered Buildings America Program. We had a close professional association and closer personal relationship. When we moved to Brevard County in 1981, Subrato introduced us to most of our friends in the Indian community. His son and our son were born only 6 days apart. We often met at dinner parties, and other social and religious gatherings. In 1980s we also played bridge and other cards games together. Subrato will be missed as an esteemed colleague, a good friend and more so as a great person. Our heartfelt condolences to Mitra, Seema and Samir.Gobind and Kiran Atmaram

January 29 at 5:20 AM



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MK

Mukesh Khattar posted:

Dear Mitra, Seema and Samir: We are deeply saddened and are in disbelief to learn about Subrato's sudden and untimely passing away. Please accept our sincere condolences. May God give you the strength to bear this loss. Sincerely, Renu and Mukesh Khattar

January 28 at 8:45 PM

CB

Carolyn Burby posted:

I was devastated to hear this terribly sad news, but I will always remember Subrato for the gentleman he was, and for the kindness he always offered to me in my own moments of personal sorrow. Tenderly, may time heal your sorrow..... Gently, may friends ease your pain. Softly, may peace replace heartache..... And may warmest memories remain. It is never easy for those left behind. May it help to know how many share your sorrow, and stand with you in your time of need.

January 28 at 9:15 AM

BR

Bob Reedy posted:

One of the greatest among us. By "us" I mean so much more than FSEC, UCF or even the energy community. And by "great" I mean so much more than engineer, colleague or friend. A great human being. Thank you for his time with us. Bob Reedy

January 27 at 12:58 PM



Anonymous posted:

May you and your family be blessed with good memories. With Deepest sympathy. ##imported-begin##Margarida Trim##imported-end##

January 27 at 3:38 AM



Anonymous posted:

To Subrato's family I extend my deepest sympathy. We have lost a wonderful person. I worked with Subrato on Building America programs - from a distance here at the Washington State University Energy Program. He was always supportive of our involvement in his research projects and provided guidance and enthusiasm to us. We will miss him, but his legacy will live on in the work that he accomplished. ##imported-begin##Karen Messmer##imported-end##

January 26 at 1:50 PM



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Anonymous posted:

We are one of the lucky few to know him from closed quarter. Our lives were blessed by his presence and he has touched us in a way which has made us better human beings and has taught us how one can be transparent, generous and giving at all times. May his soul rest in eternal peace. We miss you very much.##imported-begin##sucharita & partha##imported-end##

January 25 at 8:09 AM



Anonymous posted:

While I did not know Subrato all that well, he was always a wonderful person with a great smile that will be greatly missed. He was an expert and provided excellent insight for the path forward with building research and contributed in an extremely positive way. I am sure his family is extremely proud of him and will miss him greatly. God Bless Marc LaFrance##imported-begin##Marc LaFrance##imported-end##

January 24 at 12:26 PM



Anonymous posted:

My deepest sympathies to Subrato's wife Mitra and his children. I was very saddened to learn of his passing. I got to know Subrato fairly well as his technical email support over many years time at FSEC. Subrato had many challenging questions for me to answer, much more so than anyone else has had in my career. Subrato was a nice guy and quite friendly. He always treated me as a professional, not a support call. I am saddened that his family, friends, and coworkers have lost someone rather special.##imported-begin##Rich Groh##imported-end##

January 24 at 11:32 AM



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Anonymous posted:

Dear Mitra, Seema, and Samir: Please accept Sharon and my deepest sympathy for Subrato's untimely accident. We both share your grief and we will miss him. We will not attend the service. Let me reflect back on my remembrances of Subrato. When I first came to the Center in 1977, Subrato was leaving to go to work in Washington. I missed him in the early days and clearly remember the opportunity to rehire him. An action that I did as quick as possible. From these early days, he was always a key to the Center's programs. His ideas were many and he always came up with creative concepts. Subrato was both technically strong and creative, a combination which few individuals have. As you, his friends and his peers know, Subrato was involved in a great variety of programs and associated activities which I will not enumerate here. He was also very close to the UCF College of Engineering and its programs. Subrato was a quick thinker, excellent writer and I could always count on him to do an outstanding job whatever the task. I always got along very well with Subrato and I know as time slides past us, we will all miss him. Respectfully yours, Dave Block

January 24 at 9:42 AM



Anonymous posted:

Such a great loss. A man of integrity, intelligence, and humor. We'll forever remember his sly mischievous grin that always greeted us.

January 24 at 9:01 AM



Anonymous posted:

I will miss Subrato. I think one of the most pleasant sounds is a child laughing, but Subrato's laugh was equal or better. He was a great mentor, leader, scientist and friend.

January 24 at 5:27 AM



Anonymous posted:

Please accept Build San Antonio Green's deep sympathy to Subrato's family. Subrato was a great man who impacted us in such a wonderful way. I am very fortunate to have had the opportunity to work with him this past year and a half. As brief as our partnership was, he was one of those persons whose teachings will remain with me forever. He truly was and will continue to be an inspiration.

January 23 at 11:54 AM



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Anonymous posted:

Mitra, I was deeply saddened to hear about your great loss. My sincere condolences to you and your family.##imported-begin##Cookie##imported-end##

January 23 at 7:51 AM



Anonymous posted:

I am sorry to learn of Dr. Chandra's demise. He was an avid promoter of service for the poor and a love Rabindranath Tagore. My sincere condolences to his family.##imported-begin##Subho Basu##imported-end##

January 22 at 5:22 AM



Anonymous posted:

Mitra di, Please accept our deepest condolences for your loss.Subir, Anuradha Goswami.##imported-begin##Subir Goswami##imported-end##

January 22 at 5:00 AM



Anonymous posted:

SUBROTO Da, Your untimely demise made me speechless. What can I say? tumi jekhanei thako bhalo theko .Almighty Mitra di aar chele meyeder ei dukkho sahyo korar khomota din##imported-begin##PARTHA GANGULY##imported-end##

January 21 at 10:40 PM



Anonymous posted:

Bodhu he amar:Jao re ononto dhame...sneho maya pashori....Bishshojit da##imported-begin##Bishshojit Ganguly##imported-end##

January 21 at 10:02 PM



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Anonymous posted:

Subroto was my classmate in school. We studied together, represented our class and school in soccer games together, and yapped together. He will remain in my thoughts and my heart.##imported-begin##Santanu Mitra##imported-end##

January 21 at 8:32 PM



Anonymous posted:

Dear Mrs. Chandra, Seema and Samir, We are so very sorry for your loss. Our thoughts are with you at this difficult time. Sincerely, Shelly, Kit, Aelwen, Athena, Liz and Shawn Seaver##imported-begin##Shelly Seaver##imported-end##

January 21 at 8:23 AM



Anonymous posted:

We will always miss him... may his soul rest in peace##imported-begin##Shrabani Majumdar##imported-end##

January 21 at 5:11 AM



Anonymous posted:

Subrato was a rare combination of intelligence and kindness. He was always a pleasure to work with. I will miss him.##imported-begin##Liza Bowles##imported-end##

January 20 at 3:59 AM



Anonymous posted:

I am still shocked by the news of Dr. Chandra's death. This is a big human and personal loss. Dr. Chandra has been not only an excellent and dedicated promoter of scientific cooperation, but also and above all a human being with a big heart - which never failed when it came to sharing it with others. I think we lost him but we did not lose him as a model in our life and I will always remember him with my highest gratitude. My heartfelt condolences to his entire family.##imported-begin##Nicoleta Sorloaica-Hickman##imported-end##

January 17 at 9:19 AM



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Anonymous posted:

Subrato will be missed. He helped get FSEC the nationwide recognition that it enjoys today.##imported-begin##Allan and Suzette Garnett##imported-end##

January 17 at 7:52 AM



Anonymous posted:

Subrato will be missed. He was a pioneer in many research areas that he engaged in. Subrato opened the door of opportunity to many. God bless his soul.##imported-begin##Ali T-Raissi##imported-end##

January 17 at 7:41 AM



Anonymous posted:

We are sorry for your loss and extend our deepest sympathies.##imported-begin##Dr. and Mrs. Steven Cohn##imported-end##

January 16 at 7:10 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring SUBRATO by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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