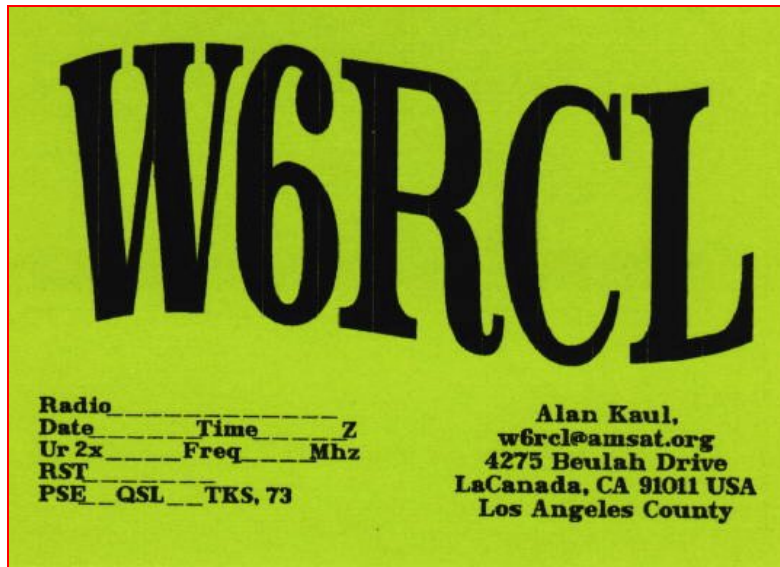


Alan Kaul - W6RCL - K7EHW *1942-2006* Producer, reporter, anchor, LaCanada, Ca. A 2005 Ham of the Year recipient. Alan said, "I got interested in Amateur Radio while a freshman at North Central High School." Later Alan first licensed as K7EHW in 1957 moving to Shadle Park. As a founding member of the Shadle Park H.S. Spokane WN - Radio Club. Kaul went on to work at NBC, covering such stories as the Iran hostage crisis in 1979, the Mt. St Helens eruption, the bombing of Pan Am flight 103 and hijacking of the cruise ship Achille Lauro. He also spent two years covering O.J. Simpson's murder trial.

During the hostage crisis, Kaul provided the only news on Amateur Radio coming from Iran. At a time when Iran's government had outlawed ham radio, he managed to interview an



Iranian radio amateur who was operating despite the ban. He also received the Edward R. Morrow Award for Excellence in Television Journalism in 1997 for his role in producing NBC's coverage following the death of Mother Teresa.

In Alan's later years he was a West Coast Producer for NBC Nightly News. Kaul is best known to radio amateurs for his work behind the scenes promoting the hobby.

Kull was interested in many aspects of Amateur Radio, but he focused mainly on QRP, especially QRP CW contesting. He entered his first contest in 1985.

One of the best remembered news contributions was Alan's coverage on the death of His Majesty Al Hussein ibn Talal, JY1 King of Jordan. To report the passing into history of the king who opened up Jordan to Amateur Radio, Kaul pulled out all the stops. Working from an intimate knowledge of King Hussein and knowing the monarch's many ham radio friends, he created a remarkable reminiscence of the "man and his hobby."

Mr. Kaul is survived by wife Christine, daughter Alexa and son Ryan as well as two children from an earlier marriage, Scott and Karen; plus four grandchildren. Dave Bell 6AQ stated Alan was first and foremost a very ethical and honest journalist. He had a good appreciation of truth telling and he was a wonderful writer. He wrote all the scripting Walter Cronkite said in Amateur Radio Today. Partially scripted from ARRL 2005 Ham of the Year.