



Gumecindo "Junior" Gamboa, Jr.

March 26, 1933 - December 5, 2013

Gumecindo Gamboa Jr., "Junior" as his friends and family knew him, was called by his heavenly father to rest on December 5th, 2013 in Moses Lake Washington at the age of 80.

Junior was born on March 26th in Edinburg Texas to Gumecindo Gamboa Sr. and Paula Coronado Gamboa. He was drafted in 1954 into the U.S. Army and served his country honorably during the Korean War. At a dance hall in Toppenish WA in 1956, Junior met the love of his life Oralía Arevelo and 4 months later they were married. While still serving in the army, Junior became one of Larson Air Force Base's skilled barbers. He and his wife later took that skill, and opened Gamboa's Barber Shop in 1962. Going to Gamboa's Barber Shop became a rite of passage to ones son when it came time to getting their first haircut- he was well known for giving a perfect flat top. Later in the years, his passion of barbering went to trucking. He left his business in good hands to his brother John Gamboa, who to this day owns and operates Gamboa's Barber Shop. Junior worked for 20+ years at Cenex Harvest States, where he retired. He realized retirement was not for him, and went back to work-driving trucks for National Frozen foods thru the 2013 harvest season.

Junior was a hard worker and a man of great dignity, all the way to the end. He loved throwing bbqs for family and friends and enjoyed dancing. He was a lifetime member of the VFW and a member of the Elks club here in Moses Lake.

Junior is survived by Oralía Gamboa and their three daughters and son; Rene

Gamboa, Moses Lake WA, Cynthia Whiting, Richland WA, Lori Cassiano (John) Moses Lake WA, Steven Gamboa (Dawn), Spokane WA.

Grandchildren; Christopher Castro, Moses Lake WA, Matthew Lane, Richland WA, Scott Lane, Richland WA, Evan Cassiano, Moses Lake WA, Erin Suarez (Alvin) Moses Lake WA, Gabriella Gamboa, Spokane WA, Gracian Gamboa, Spokane WA, and great-granddaughters Gracie Cassiano, and Danielle Castro, siblings; sister Paula Mendez (Paul) of Sunnyside WA, brothers; John Gamboa (Vicky) Moses Lake WA, Joe Gamboa (Saleme) Moses Lake WA, Louie Gamboa, Shoreline WA, Mack Gamboa (Mary) Sunnyside WA, Erasmo Gamboa (Carol) Seattle WA, Ernesto Gamboa, Snohomish WA, numerous nieces and nephews, and many, many friends.

Junior is preceded in death by his parents, Gumecindo Sr. and Paula Gamboa, His brother Antonio Gamboa, and sisters Bertha Rodriguez, Francisca Garcia, and Cuca Gamboa

He will be greatly missed by his children and grandchildren, as well as his extended family and friends.

Holy rosary will be prayed at 10:30 am with Mass of Christian Burial celebrated at 11 am, Saturday December 14th 2013 at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic church 200 N Dale rd, in Moses Lake WA. Interment service will be at Guarding Angels Cemetery. A luncheon will follow at the CCD center, adjacent to the church.

You may sign and leave your memories at Junior's online guestbook at www.kayserschapel.com

Previous Events

Service

DEC 14. 10:30 AM (PT)

Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church (Holy Rosary)
200 North Dale Road
Moses Lake, WA

Service

DEC 14. 11:00 AM (PT)

Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church (Mass of Christian Burial)
200 N. Dale Rd
Moses Lake, WA

Tribute Wall



“ Our condolences on your loss of a wonderful man. He will be missed.##imported-begin##Sharon and Jeff Zornes##imported-end##

December 16, 2013 at 09:41 PM



“ My sincere condolences to the Gamboa Family. I have worked with Jr for the last two years at National and always looked forward to his wonderful smile and sense of humor. I will miss him. My prayers are with the family at this difficult time. God Bless.##imported-begin##Connie Kast##imported-end##

December 14, 2013 at 03:02 PM



“ Just a few kind words to say thank you Tio for all of the wonderful moments we spent together and all of the beautiful stories that you left with me. We'll miss you with all of our hearts, but I know you are with my mother, Berta and will continue to watch over us. I know that you are in a much better place now and you will be forever in our hearts.

Love always Adrian and Eloise "Louie" Rodriguez##imported-begin##Adrian Rodriguez##imported-end##

December 14, 2013 at 12:28 AM



“ The Justesen family is very sorry for your loss. May our Father in Heaven be with and comfort you. I have the most fondest memories as a very young child living next door to Junior and having him cut my hair. I will never forget the times he drove us out to the airbase to get my haircut. And I will always cherish the times that I skipped (at Frontier) to go over and sit in his barber chair and just talk about life. It was with much pride when I saw him to hear the words Mr. Blaine##imported-begin##Blaine Justesen ##imported-end##

December 12, 2013 at 02:42 PM



“ John, Vicki & Family...
We are sorry for your loss. You are all in our hearts and prayers...##imported-begin##Luis & Delores Carvalho##imported-end##

December 12, 2013 at 01:02 PM



“ Knew jr. Most of the years I lived here. He was a really good worker and all around good guy. Donna & I will miss our visits with him at the Ripple. God speed Junior!##imported-begin##Rick&Donna Rietz##imported-end##

December 11, 2013 at 08:40 PM



“ I called Junior my friend for more than 50 years. I am sadden to hear of his passing. My condolences to Junior's family.##imported-begin##Jeff Lingg##imported-end##

December 11, 2013 at 07:28 PM



“ So many memories and stories with Tio Gume and Aunt Oralia. RIP Tio and know that we loved you.
Alex Jr, Judy, Jaymee, and Jacob Arevalo##imported-begin##Alex Jr and Judy Arevalo##imported-end##

December 11, 2013 at 07:16 PM



“ To the Family,
I was sorry to hear of Junior passing. He was a good friend. I would ask his brother John about him all the time. God knows best, therefore we must Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding. Junior really loved his family. He will be missed by all.

Joseph Miller, Mother Shannon and Family##imported-begin##Joseph Miller Sr##imported-end##

December 11, 2013 at 03:42 PM



“ JUNIOR TOUCHED BOTH OUR LIVES IN A VERY POSITIVE WAY. WE WILL MISS HIM DEARLY.##imported-begin##MIKE AND PENNY FLEMING##imported-end##

December 10, 2013 at 11:02 PM



“ I am sadden to see such a great man leave us. My condolences to the Gamboa Family.##imported-begin##Candis ##imported-end##

December 09, 2013 at 12:12 PM



“ Sorry for your loss. I am Tom's wife and I know Tom worked with him off and on for many years. Such a friendly and outgoing person.##imported-begin##Joan Dopps##imported-end##

December 08, 2013 at 01:48 AM



“ Our life without you is going to be the toughest task our Familia Gamboa will have to endure.
We all have so many bittersweet memories of you.
My deepest condolences to Jose,
Madeleno, Juan, Edrasmo, Luis, Ernesto GAMBOA y Mi Tia Paula Mendez....
His children, Norma, Cindy, Lori, Steve & Tia Oralia, & his grandchildren.
We are such a BIG Familia there is a lot of broken hearts to mend, may we all find comfort in each-other to help us get through this.
Tio you and your boots can now dance forever....
Lots of AMOR and the utmost pride to be your niece
Debi GAMBOA##imported-begin##Debra Gamboa##imported-end##

December 07, 2013 at 01:49 PM



“ Que en paz descanse el señor Gumecindo Jr. My deep condolences to the extended Gamboa family.##imported-begin##Lauro Flores##imported-end##

December 06, 2013 at 07:52 PM