



## Raul (Lito) Gonzales

May 16, 1977 - March 8, 2011

Raul "Lito" Gonzales, 33, Moses Lake resident passed away Tuesday, March 8, 2011 at Central Washington Hospital in Wenatchee surrounded by his loving family. Holy Rosary will be prayed at 10:00 a.m., Friday, March 11, 2011 at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church followed by Mass of Christian Burial at 11:00 a.m. Viewing will be from 9 to 10:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Fatima. A luncheon will be held after the Mass in the CCD Center next to the church. Longtime Moses Lake resident Raul Gonzales was born to Raul H. Gonzales and Amanda I. Gonzales (Mendéz) in Elgin, Illinois in 1977. He relocated with his family to Washington State in 1979. Raul's greatest joy as a child was participating in sports including soccer, wrestling, and Little League Baseball. His lifelong favorite sports teams were the Chicago Bears and Oakland A's favorites.

Raul attended St. Rose of Lima Catholic School in Ephrata, Benson Hill Middle School in Renton WA, and graduated as senior class president from Federal Way High School in 1995. Immediately following graduation, Raul was employed by UPS in Federal Way, Washington and transferred to the Moses Lake branch in 1999. He found his calling as a Sous Chef where enjoyed working in the food industry with employers such as Pillar Rock Café, Paradise Restaurant at Best Western, the Hang Out Bar and Grill, and lastly at The Porterhouse.

Raul's many hobbies included watching football, shooting pool, playing golf, and above all spending quality time with his family and many friends.

He is survived by his children Lucian F. Gonzales, Jolene K. Hill, Joseph M. Hill, and Paloma S. Gomez; his father Raul H. Gonzales, Guardian and Aunt Rosa M. Blancas, sister Sonia Gonzales, brother Luis A. Gonzales, nephew Adrian E. Gonzales, niece Rosemary L. Gonzales , paternal grandparents Silvestre F. Gonzales, Antonia H. Gonzales, and many aunts, uncles, and cousins. Preceded in death by his loving mother Amanda I. Gonzales (Mendez), maternal grandparents Francisco J. Mendez, Lucrecia R. Mendez, and his aunt Rosa Maria Gonzales.

He will be remembered for his generous demeanor, kind smile, and, big heart.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 11. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (PT)

Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church  
200 N. Dale Road  
Moses Lake, WA

## Service

MAR 11. 10:00 AM (PT)

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

## Service

MAR 11. 11:00 AM (PT)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ Hello my is Walden Corpuz. I just found out that Raul "Lito" Gonzales passed away last year. I was a good friend of his back in high school. Wanted to know what was the cause of death? I hope and pray that his family are doing well and my condolences to all of this family and friends from me thank you.###imported-begin##Walden Corpuz###imported-end##

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February 19, 2012 at 06:02 PM



“ We knew Raul throughout high school in Federal Way. He stayed with us on many occassions, having dinner, and often staying overnight. We always had a place for him in our home. Raul was good friends with my sons Kyle and Jeff. He was also friends with the Ekenman family. I remember Raul as a warm hearted young man who struggled with some difficult choices and times. I hope he found love and happiness with his children and family, and is now at peace. Sharon and I are so sorry to hear this news.  
Lynn James Templeton,  
Lynden, Washington###imported-begin##Lynn and Sharon Templeton###imported-end##

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March 21, 2011 at 03:20 PM



“ although your time with us was way too short, may you fly free with the angels above and protect the ones you love. so sorry I wasn't able to say goodbye.###imported-begin##mike han###imported-end##

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March 21, 2011 at 10:06 AM



“ Lito, I will miss our Husky sports debates and high school alma mater discussions. Rest in peace, pal!##imported-begin##Abe Shelby##imported-end##

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March 14, 2011 at 01:54 PM



“ I'm going to miss you, I love you with all my heart. Paloma cries out looking for but she can't find you. The time has stopped for us and I don't know which way to go. I pray that you find the peace you longed for and the happiness you deserve. I love you so much. Te amo mi querido Raul.##imported-begin##Edith Saucedo Gomez##imported-end##

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March 13, 2011 at 10:29 PM



“ RIP Raul I will always make sure Jolene and Joey know you!!!##imported-begin##jennifer##imported-end##

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March 12, 2011 at 02:17 AM



“ I have been living in Spokane the past 10 years. I received a call from my daughter this afternoon (3/11/2011) telling me of Raul's death. I am so very, very sorry. I am also sorry I didn't know sooner. I would have so liked to see you all again. Your family has always been in my heart and I will hold you all in prayer.##imported-begin##Karen (Dano) Druffel##imported-end##

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March 12, 2011 at 12:01 AM



“ Raul,  
You were a very special person. You always had a smile on your face and had a big bear hug for me. I am going to miss you so much! RIP my friend. Watch over your babies. They are going to need you.

Love always,  
Kendra###imported-begin###Kendra Fitch###imported-end##

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March 10, 2011 at 12:06 PM



“ Such a sweet soul to lose, may hope and love carry your family through this sad time.###imported-begin###Jamie###imported-end##

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March 09, 2011 at 08:38 PM



“ Javier & Nora... our sympathies at the loss of your brother, Raul. May you find peace and consolation knowing that he is resting in God's loving arms for all eternity.###imported-begin###Luis & Delores Carvalho###imported-end##

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March 09, 2011 at 08:26 PM



“ You sure will be missed, can't believe your gone! My thoughts are with your family as we all mourn your loss! Love you always!!###imported-begin###Donna###imported-end##

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March 09, 2011 at 05:53 PM



“ *Idalia and family,  
Our sincerest condolences for you and your family! Know that we  
are thinking of you and supporting you from afar.  
With deepest sympathy,  
Your Holton NEA family##imported-begin##Amy  
Hausler##imported-end##*

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March 09, 2011 at 12:42 PM