



Silvestre F. Gonzales

December 31, 1930 - February 29, 2012

Silvestre F. Gonzales passed away on February 29, 2012, peacefully, in Pasco, Washington, at the home of his daughter, Edna Medina. He was eighty-one (81) years old at the time of his death. Funeral Services will be held on Friday, March 2, 2012, at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church in Moses Lake, Washington. All are invited to join the family at 1:00 pm in remembrance of Silvestre, and a Mass of Christian Burial will commence at 2:00 pm. A reception to celebrate Silvestre's life will be held at the Moses Lake Event Center at 4:00 pm, 1475 E. Nelson Rd. Bldg C (campus of Moses Lake Christian Academy).

Silvestre was born December 31, 1930, in Crystal City, Texas to Higinio Gonzales and Aurora Flores. He was raised in Crystal City, Texas and later moved to San Antonio, Texas where he married Antonia H. Gonzales on December 1, 1947. They were blessed with seven children, and moved to the Moses Lake area in 1960, where they continued to raise their family.

His career as a truck driver afforded him the opportunity to see much of the United States. He enjoyed many things including car shows, restoring old cars, going to swap meets, listening to Tejano music, and watching wrestling and the Mariners baseball team. He never lost his love for returning to his hometown in Texas where he frequently visited his many relatives still living there. Above all his favorite thing to do was spend time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren, he truly lived for them!

He is survived by his spouse Antonia H. Gonzales; Sons (daughter-in-laws) Rudy & Janet Gonzales, Armando & Kathy Gonzales, Silvester & Stephanie Gonzales; Daughters (son-in-laws) Adelina Gonzales, Edna & Gilberto Medina, Silvia Gonzales; also Cecilia & Mark Lam, and Cassandra Gonzales, grandchildren that Silvestre and Antonia raised since they were children. In total he was blessed with 21 grandchildren, and 25 great-grandchildren. He is preceded in death by father Higinio Gonzales; mother Aurora Flores; Sister Amparo DeLaCruz; Daughter Rosemary Gonzales; Grandson Raul Gonzales Jr.; and Granddaughter Raquel Gonzales.

Silvestre is loved as a dad, husband, grandpa, brother, uncle, and friend, and will be remembered for his constant joking around, his tremendous generosity, and his forgiving and loving heart. Thank you for touching our lives in such a remarkable way and for the unforgettable memories we will treasure in our hearts forever! Rest in peace, we love you!

Previous Events

Service

MAR 2. 2:00 PM (PT)

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

Tribute Wall



“ I am so sorry about the passing of Mr. Gonzales. My thoughts and prayers are with the entire Gonzales family.##imported-begin##Abe Shelby##imported-end##

March 07, 2012 at 12:33 PM



“ We are so sorry about the loss of your loved one,, prayers to all of the family,,, may god bless you and give you comfort,,Sandy Valdez, Estella Adame##imported-begin##sandra adame valdez##imported-end##

March 05, 2012 at 01:20 PM



“ Dear Gonzales family and friends. David and I have added Silvestre's tribute to our on Facebook. Condolences are coming in. Please feel free to post further memories and dedications on FB for those who love this wonderful family. David has spoken admiringly of Rudy and his family several times. May the warm feeling or our hearts reach you through God's healing spirit dring this next step in life. Love you.. Alice Oman##imported-begin##Alice Palombo Oman##imported-end##

March 03, 2012 at 01:02 AM



“ It was so nice to see this beautiful dedication to your dad, Sylvestre's life. Rudy, Mundy and I were all on the wrestling team together. (Armando and i graduated together in 1970) I always appreciated Rudy's heartfelt encouragement and when he introduced me to his dad at our first match i was so pleased to meet him. Mr. and Mrs. Gonzales raised such fine kids. What a nice tribute to the tough work it is these days to be a great parent. Rudy .. it was fun when I came up to see several senior friends at the care centre and we had lunch together.. with your sweetheart bringing us that special dessert. God bless all of you this week as you say goodbye for now to your Dad. Love to you and yours, David and Alice Oman###imported-begin###David Miles Oman###imported-end##

March 02, 2012 at 11:38 PM



“ Please accept our heartfelt condolences at this sad time, you all are in our thoughts and prayers. We are deeply sorry to hear about the death of Sandino. He loved to make everyone laugh, extremely generous, and very loving to all, and "Paco King". He will be truly missed but never forgotten.###imported-begin###Ruben & Irene Lucio###imported-end##

March 02, 2012 at 11:25 AM