



Michael T. Rodriguez

August 8, 1954 - March 3, 2015

Mike passed away on Tuesday, March 3, 2015. He was born in Tulare, CA on August 18, 1954 to Carlos and Rachel Rodriguez. Mike met the love of his life, Rachel, in the eighth grade. They were married on February 3, 1973. His family was very dear to him. He leaves behind his wife, two daughters: Monique Mello (Husband Joe) and Serina Rodriguez; three grandchildren: Mishael Montemayor, Alexandria and Joseph Mello. Mike was a devoted and loving Husband, Father, and Papa to his grandchildren. He is leaving a void in the hearts of his family.

Mike retired in 2011 after 32 years as the Senior Public Works Inspector for the City of Tulare. He gained the respect of his co-workers and contractors that he worked with for his knowledge and expertise in the field of Public Works. After his retirement, Mike worked two years with Quad Knopf Engineering where he had the opportunity to work alongside his daughter, Monique.

Mike will best be remembered as the awesome lead guitarist for the band AUGUST as music was his passion. Mike was respected and loved by all who knew him. He was very compassionate and had a soft heart for others. Mike's favorite past-times included travelling to Pismo Beach with his family, baseball, golf and of course the love of music. Mike made many friends through these activities, during his career as a Public Works Inspector, and as

a musician. He excelled in everything he did.

There will never be another Mike T. Rodriguez. We love you so much and will miss you FOREVER!

Viewing will be held Sunday, March 8, 2015 at 9:00 am, with the Rosary following at 10:30 am at Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel. A Mass will be held on Monday, March 9th, at 10:00 am at Saint Rita's Catholic Church. Graveside Services will be held on March 16th, at 11:00 am at North Tulare Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

North Tulare Public Cemetery

4572 J St
Tulare, CA 93274

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 8. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (PT)

Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel
127 E. Caldwell Ave
Visalia, CA 93277
(559) 635-1144
info@salseranddillard.com
<https://www.salseranddillard.com>

Rosary

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Funeral Mass

MAR 9. 10:00 AM (PT)

St. Rita's Catholic Church
954 S. O ST.
Tulare, CA

Burial

MAR 16. 11:00 AM (PT)

North Tulare Public Cemetery
4572 J St
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Tribute Wall

GC

“ *Genie Cervantes lit a candle in memory of Michael T. Rodriguez*



Genie Cervantes - March 17, 2015 at 10:30 AM

DE

“ *My deepest sympathies to you Rachel and your family as you say good bye to Mike. I wish I could be there for you but I'm still recuperating from viral pneumonia and am not able to be out of my home just yet. I have very fond memories of our time together and I have missed being apart of the August family for quite sometime, but more so being apart of yours and Mike's life. You both always made me feel welcomed. I am praying for you and the family to heal and to always have love in each other to help you through this. Love to you all.*

*Sincerely,
Debbie Espino-Hernandez*

Debbie Espino-Hernandez - March 08, 2015 at 10:52 AM

FG

“ Our deepest sympathy and prayers to the Rodriquez Family from the Garcia Family.I only knew mike for 15 short years. We were co-workers, so we saw each other almost every day of the work week. Believe me never a dull moment when Mike was around.He was extremely proud of his entire Family, in laws and etc. Most of my memories of Mike will of course be work related but the best ones are of a true Friend. R.I.P. Michael T. Rodriquez, Heaven has a new and great lead Guitar player. Fred Garcia

Fred Garcia - March 06, 2015 at 08:23 PM



“ Uncle Mike you were one amazing man! You were loved by so many! You were always happy with a big o smile!!!! You were always there for anyone, you never judged us! Always happy,that is something i will always remember! Everytime i would see you, you would always say hi mija and give me a huge hug! One funny memory i have is when me and my sister spent the night when we were kids, you lived on Frances street. Me,Sally,Monique and Serina were asleep and you put Aunt Rachel's pantyhose on your face and came in and scared us so bad! I will never forget how scared we were! It's so funny now,but then it was so scary! So many good memories we will never forget! We will never forget you! I know you wouldn't want us sad but Uncle Mike it's so hard!!!! Heaven gained one amazing man, now you are our beautiful angel! I LOVE YOU UNCLE MIKE!!!! Love always, your niece Becky Rodriguez



Becky Rodriguez - March 05, 2015 at 03:39 PM

CJ

“ *My deepest sympathy for the loss of your beloved, husband and father. My memories of Mike were on the golf course. He was a fantastic golfer. Him and Bob always had something about the 16th hole that they teased about, but I really don't remember what it was. I just remember he loved his golf and he was such a fun person to be around. He will be missed. Cathy Jordan*

Cathy Jordan - March 05, 2015 at 02:19 PM