



Miguel Angel Padilla

December 23, 1983 - October 30, 2013

Miguel Angel (Mike) Padilla of Visalia passed away on Wednesday, October 30, 2013 in Visalia. He was 29 years old.

Miguel was born on December 23, 1983 to Primitivo and Martina Padilla in Visalia, California. He graduated from Golden West High School and soon afterward joined the United States Navy. Mike served his country for 11 years and earned a ranking of E-6 First Class Petty Officer. While in the service, Mike was awarded the NAM from NAF El Centro, was nominated in 2013 for Sailor of the year, and was also a plank owner from the USS Ronald Reagan. Mike had many interests. He enjoyed the outdoors and was an avid fisherman. He also was an accomplished carpenter and loved building RC cars, reading and BBQs with friends and family. Mike was a member of the Golden Oak PTA, and enjoyed lending his services to volunteering at Food Shelves.

Mike was a dedicated and loving husband father, son, brother and friend and will be greatly missed by many. He is survived by his loving wife Megan Padilla, sons Ethan Padilla and Marcus Padilla and daughter Vanessa Padilla. Also his father Primitivo Padilla, mother Martina Padilla, brothers Nestor Padilla, and Sergio Padilla and sister Mayra Padilla as well as numerous extended family members.

A Wake service will be held Wednesday, November 6, 2013 at Salser and Dillard Funeral Chapel at 6 PM and a funeral service will also be held at Salser and Dillard Funeral Chapel on Thursday, November 7, 2013 at 10AM.

Burial will be at Visalia District Cemetery. The family would like to thank their friends and loved ones for their love and support. Donations to the family may be sent to 2650 E. Norman Dr. Visalia, CA.

Cemetery Details

Visalia Public Cemetery

1300 W. Goshen Ave.
Visalia, CA 93291
visaliacemetery@aol.com
<http://www.visaliacem.org/>

Previous Events

Wake

NOV 6. 6:00 PM (PT)

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

Service

NOV 7. 10:00 AM (PT)

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

Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Album*



Salsler & Dillard Funeral Chapel - November 06, 2013 at 03:06 PM

SK

“ *Sara-ann K. purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Miguel Angel Padilla.*



Sara-ann K. - November 05, 2013 at 02:45 PM



“ *Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Miguel Angel Padilla.*



November 05, 2013 at 09:58 AM



“ *Beautiful Whisper was purchased for the family of Miguel Angel Padilla.*



November 04, 2013 at 06:49 PM

SL

“ 1 file added to the album USS Ronald Reagan



Scott Lansford - November 04, 2013 at 06:22 PM

SL

“ I worked and lived with Mike for about 4 years while we served together on the USS Ronald Reagan. I have so many great memories from those times. I will always remember that great smile and always willing to help others. I am deeply saddened by the news of his early passing. My condolences go out to all of his family in the Visalia area.

*Scott Lansford
MM1(SW) Ret.*

Scott Lansford - November 04, 2013 at 07:28 AM

DK

“ I met Mike in San Diego with my Granddaughter, Megan. I was always impressed with him as a loving and caring human being. Last summer he and his family stayed with us for a few days so his memory is very recent. Each time we met over the years we would always give each other a big hug and tell each other "I love you." I will always treasure the thought that I was able to tell him I loved him a few months before he passed.

I am getting old and I have had many dear friends who have passed. When I walk my dog in the morning I speak with them. This morning my friends told me that they have welcomed Mike into Heaven and not to worry, They are impressed by what a gentleman he is. They will take care of him and have assured me that he is at peace.

Mike called me, "Grandpa Dave".....

David Kasner - November 03, 2013 at 06:59 AM

BC

“ I worked with Mike in the Security department on the Carl Vinson. He was a brother to me and he loved to train sailors. I have lots of memories that I will never forget. Rest In Peace my brother. You will be missed very much. My thoughts and prayers are with your family. Love you brother! Fair winds and following seas. We have the watch.

Bill Cortez - November 02, 2013 at 03:43 PM



“ *Mary Favors-Jimenez lit a candle in memory of Miguel Angel Padilla*



Mary Favors-Jimenez - November 02, 2013 at 01:03 PM



Every once in a while you come across someone that life light shines so brightly you feel so blessed to have met that person. Mike you were one of those special people whose light will always shine bright, Rest In Peace.

Mary Favors-Jimenez - November 02, 2013 at 01:08 PM



“ *I was on board USS RONALD REAGAN when I met Mike. Very smiley, happy go lucky kind of guy. Loved his job working on elevators and was a very technical guy. Really good with his hands. Everytime u see him, he had a smile in which in turn would brighten up ur day. Thanks for helping me keep my head up Mike. So sorry I could not do the same for you. Love, your fellow Reaganite....Nanise. IYAOYAS*

Nanise Talakai-Schroeder - November 02, 2013 at 11:27 AM