



Seraphine "Bear" Aguilar

August 25, 1934 - October 10, 2019

Seraphine "Bear" Aguilar, 85 of St. Libory, died Thursday, October 10, 2019 at the Grand Island VA Medical Center.

Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10:30 AM Friday, October 18th at the St. Mary's Cathedral. Celebrating Mass will be Rev. James Golka. Burial of ashes will be in the Westlawn Memorial Park Cemetery. Military honors will be provided by the U.S. Army and United Veterans Honor Guard.

Visitation will be from 5-6 PM Thursday followed by a Rosary at 6 PM at All Faiths Funeral Home.

"Bear" was born August 25, 1934, in Grand Island, the son of Jacinto and Isabel (Ramirez) Aguilar. He grew up and received his education in Grand Island. He entered the United States Army on November 4, 1952, serving in the Korean War. He was honorably discharged on November 3, 1955. He was a printer all his life and was employed by Cornhusker Press in Hastings, Halstead Printing in Grand Island, Marsay Printing (Skagway) in Grand Island and eventually was founder and co-owner of Aguilar Printing.

He was united in marriage to Dianne Hart on November 4, 1977. The couple made their home in Grand Island, later moving to St. Libory. To this union was born a son, Mario and daughter Maria.

He was a member of St. Mary's Cathedral, Knights of Columbus and the United Veterans Club. In 1965 he worked with City Manager, John Carpenter, to get the Softball Fields built that are now located at the National Guard Armory. He coached Little League Baseball for 14 years and Girls' Softball for

5 years.

He loved to sing and was an avid entertainer. He owned PasTime Karaoke for over 10 years and entertained all over the State of Nebraska. He sang and placed at the State Fair. He could tell a joke and get everybody to laugh. He loved all sports, especially the Cornhuskers. He also loved to play horseshoe and racquetball. His grandkids were the spark of his life.

Those left to cherish his memory include his wife, Dianne, and his children, Anthony Aguilar, Alan Aguilar, Ricardo Aguilar, Mario (Staci) Aguilar, and Maria (Chad) Tibbetts all of Grand Island; 30 grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and his siblings, Mary Buckner, Esther Perales, Ginger Arvizo, Ann Aguilar, Carolyn Talmadge, Becky Rodriguez and Linda Ontiberos.

“Bear” was preceded in death by his parents; an infant son, Ricardo Aguilar; brothers, Stanley Aguilar, Trinidad (TJ) Aguilar and Manuel Aguilar; and sisters, Julia Campos, Eva Vasquez, Jenny Guardiola and Jessie Trejo.

Bear’s family would like to express their gratitude to the VA Medical Center team, Valley County Hospice and Health System, and Gentle Hands Health Care, who gave wonderful care and compassion during his journey.

Cemetery Details

Westlawn Memorial Park

3826 West Stolley Park Road
Grand Island, NE 68803

Tribute Wall



“ *Seraphine "Bear" Aguilar*

October 08, 2023 at 11:02 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Seraphine "Bear" Aguilar.*



October 17, 2019 at 09:59 AM



“ *Diane, so sorry for your loss. I enjoyed Bear so much at the YMCA and Karaoke he was so much fun always enjoyed visiting with you also. May God be with you now and always. Bea Fiala,*

Bea Fiala - October 17, 2019 at 08:54 AM



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October 14, 2019 at 02:55 PM

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“ Remembering the good times when Bear and my dad couched is in baseball. My prayers go out to the family.
Robert Kyhn

Robert kyhn - October 13, 2019 at 12:36 PM

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“ I worked at Internal Medical Associates for many years , He was my favorite patient, smiles ,jokes stories he could tell! While I no longer work at IMA he will always be remembered. So sorry for your loss!

Kim Trumble RN - October 13, 2019 at 11:40 AM

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“ Bear will be missed! He was the DJ at our wedding and we had a blast with him doing this for us. My heart goes out to his family! So sorry for your loss.
Heidi Nesiba

Heidi Nesiba - October 11, 2019 at 11:38 PM