



Ygnasio "Nacho" Valdez

April 29, 1929 - April 15, 2014

Ygnasio "Nacho" Valdez, 84, of Grand Island, died on Tuesday, April 15, 2014 at Saint Francis Skilled Care Home.

Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at St. Mary's Cathedral. The Reverend Jonathan D. Sorensen will officiate. To honor Nacho's request cremation will take place following services. Family burial of ashes will be at Westlawn Memorial Park Cemetery with military honors by the United Veterans Honor Guard and Nebraska Army National Guard.

Visitation will be from 4-7 p.m. Monday with a parish Rosary at 7 p.m. at All Faiths Funeral Home.

Nacho was born on April 29, 1929 to Ventura and Thomasa (Contreras) Valdez at Horton, KS.

He is survived by his sons, Vincent "Giz" (Mary) Valdez of Grand Island; Larry (Donelle) Valdez of Colorado Springs; Mike Valdez of Grand Island; Ben Valdez of Grand Island; daughter, Juanita (Francisco) Martinez of Grand Island; 12 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; brothers, Jesse Valdez of Grand Island and Nato Valdez of Chicago; along with many nieces, nephews and extended family and friends.

Nacho is preceded in death by his wife, Flora; daughter, Cindy Rosas; brother, Ben Valdez, and sister, Mary Trejo.

He was raised in Horton, KS until the age of 12 when his family moved to Grand Island. Nacho joined the United States Army in 1947 and served until 1950.

He was united in marriage to Flora Sanchez in 1947. They made their home in Grand Island where Nacho worked at Swift from 1965-1979. He then worked for Diamond Engineering for the next 30 years retiring in 1990. Following retirement he worked at the Knights of Columbus Hall, the Eagles Club and the United Veterans Club.

Memberships included St. Mary's Cathedral, Knights of Columbus and the American Legion. He enjoyed playing softball in his early years. Most of all he enjoyed time spent with family and friends.

A memorial fund will be established in memory of Nacho.

Cemetery Details

Westlawn Memorial Park

Grand Island, NE

Tribute Wall



“ Ygnasio "Nacho" Valdez

October 08, 2023 at 11:02 PM



“ *My condolences. I remember Nacho from my youthful days, hanging out with. Giz and Larry Larson. From softball, Fonner Park and the Latin club at the old Island Theater. He always had a smile and a sly greeting. I m certain there are many fine memories. I will remember him with a smile. Again my condolences, Leonard Williams
Portland, OR*

leonard williams - April 22, 2014 at 12:27 PM



“ *Nacho will be deeply missed. He has touched so many of our lives. He will be in our hearts forever.*

Rick Schroder

Rick Schroder - April 21, 2014 at 05:53 AM



“ *I was shocked to here of Nacho's passing. What a great guy he was, I can close my eyes and see his beautiful smile. My thought's and prayer's go out to the family. RIP Nacho, you will be united with all those that have gone before you. Kathy Ramirez Sigala*



Kathy Ramirez Sigala - April 17, 2014 at 06:42 PM

MC

“ My sympathy to each of you-----when Howard was alive, we had some good times----
Your dad was a good guy and made some yummy enchiladas!!!

Marcia chiarbos

marcia chiarbos - April 17, 2014 at 05:33 PM

BJ

“ Larry and Family-Please accept our condolences at the loss of your father. You are all in our prayers.

Barbara Lukesh Johnson

Barbara Lukesh Johnson - April 17, 2014 at 09:24 AM

LK

“ My condolences to the Valdez family, I worked with Larry and consider Larry a lifetime friend. Arlene and I will keep you all in our prayers.

Larry Kelly

Larry Kelly - April 17, 2014 at 07:33 AM