



Raphael Martinez Velasquez

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Mr. Raphael Martinez Velasquez, a beloved family man and a pillar of strength, passed away on March 21st, 2024, surrounded by the love of his family. Born in Fort Worth, Texas, to Antonio Espinosa Velasquez and Otilia Martinez Velasquez, Raphael's life was a testament to resilience, humility, and unwavering dedication.

Raphael's journey was marked by hard work, sacrifice, and a heart of gold. For many years, he served faithfully at DuPont, contributing to the community and leaving an indelible mark on those who knew him. His unwavering commitment to his work and family exemplified the values he held dear. Throughout anything, he carried himself with grace and integrity.

As a Sergeant in the United States Army, Raphael demonstrated courage and honor. His service to the nation was a reflection of his deep-rooted patriotism and love for his country.

Beyond his professional accomplishments, Raphael had a zest for life. He loved to travel, exploring new horizons and creating cherished memories with his loved ones. His passion for old-school country music and the nostalgic tunes of the '50s filled his days with joy. And through it all, his unwavering love for his late wife, Linda, remained a constant. Their 46-year marriage was a testament to enduring love and companionship.

Raphael Martinez Velasquez leaves behind a legacy of kindness, resilience, and the enduring bonds of family. His memory will forever echo in the hearts of those who had the privilege of knowing him. As we bid farewell to this remarkable soul, let us celebrate a life well-lived and honor the legacy he leaves behind.



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Left to cherish his memory are his daughters Tyra Velasquez Hunt and Dina Pardue (Kim Dahoney); grandson Kristian Hunt; siblings John Velasquez, Joe McCarthy, Phillip Romero, Dan Velasquez, and Anna Foster; several cousins, nieces, and nephews; and a host of extended family and dear friends.

The family cordially invites guests and relatives for a time of visitation on Monday, March 25th, 2024, from 4:00 PM until 8:00 PM, and on Tuesday, March 26th, 2024, from 12:00 PM until 2:00 PM, with the service and burial to follow at Spring Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery, 5110 Gallatin Road, Nashville, TN 37216.

Final arrangements for Mr. Velasquez are entrusted to Spring Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery, "Where Nashville Comes to Remember."



Events

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Visitation

- Monday**, March 25, 2024
- 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM CT
- Spring Hill Funeral Home**
5110 Gallatin Pike S, Nashville TN 37216



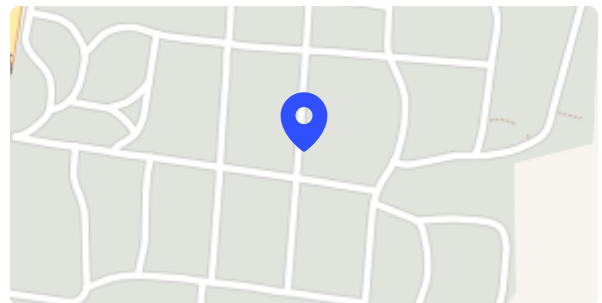
Visitation

- Tuesday**, March 26, 2024
- 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM CT
- Spring Hill Funeral Home**
5110 Gallatin Pike S, Nashville TN 37216



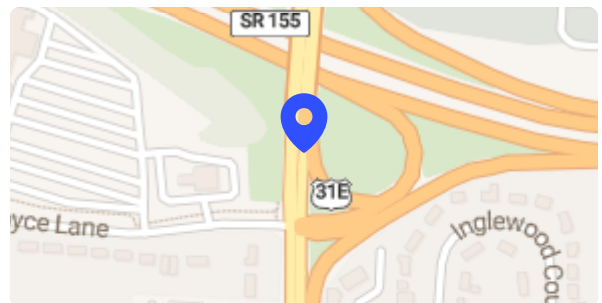
Funeral Service

- Tuesday**, March 26, 2024
- 2:00 PM - 2:45 PM CT
- Spring Hill Funeral Home**
5110 Gallatin Pike S, Nashville TN 37216



Burial

- Tuesday**, March 26, 2024
- 2:45 PM - 3:15 PM CT
- Historic Spring Hill Cemetery**
5110 Gallatin Road, Nashville TN 37216






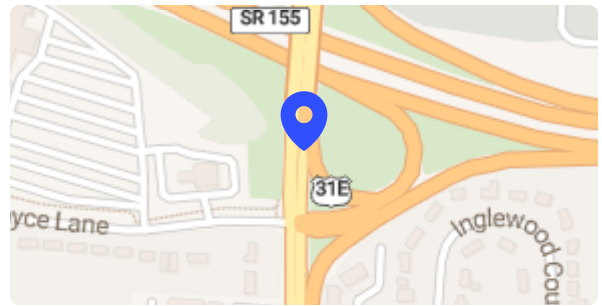
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Cemetery Details

 **Historic Spring Hill Cemetery**
5110 Gallatin Road, Nashville TN 37216





Tribute Wall

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Spring Hill Funeral Home And Cemetery shared a **Webcast Video**.

March 25 at 7:19 AM



Melanie Batten sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Velasquez family.

March 25 at 9:44 AM



Anonymous sent an Arrive in Style to the Velasquez family.

March 25 at 9:04 AM



Tom & Debbie Dahoney planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Raphael.

March 25 at 9:04 AM



Edna And Randy Price sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Velasquez family.

March 25 at 7:34 AM



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JF

Jimmy, Nancy, And Family sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Velasquez family.

March 25 at 5:42 AM



SM

Sherri Misch posted:

Ralph was a kind gentleman who shared wonderful stories as we all exercised and visited together at the local Y. He made it clear how he loved his family and friends. I love him dearly and miss spending time with him. May our LORD bless each of us who mourn him, until we see him again. Sherri Misch

March 25 at 5:18 AM

JF

Jo Velasquez Mccarthy & Family sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the Velasquez family.

March 25 at 3:13 AM



UF

Uncle/Brother Tony Velasquez Family sent an Emerald Garden Basket to the Velasquez family.

March 24 at 9:32 AM



Anonymous

Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Velasquez family.

March 24 at 8:16 AM



LC

Leo Cruz Jr. planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Raphael.

March 24 at 8:16 AM





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Janet R Schwab posted:

We met Ralph when we came to see about buying a home next to him. I went to talk to him and his Grand Lady, Miss Linda, I wanted to find out about the neighborhood because I had a young son and wanted him to grow up in a good neighborhood. Ralph said, "It's a great neighborhood except for one ole grouch and that would be Mr. Bill Lyng". But after buying our home and getting to know Ralph better, we became very close friends. We even started our little Canton Court Council. Bill Lyng was the mayor, Ralph was 1st chair, and for me, I was just there. We never knew when we were going to have a meeting only when you'd hear Ralph with his big bellowing voice hollering, Hey Bill several times, saying come on out and I knew we had a meeting scheduled. We never done much except laugh, trash talk each other, talk about the neighbors about how they wouldn't keep their lawns mowed. Ralph later on told me I've been coming over here to Bills for many years and that man has never offered me anything to drink, but that was ok, Ralph was happy, and he'd always talk to Miss Margeret, who was Mr. Bill's Grand Lady of our court. Ralph would always tell her, Margaret, keep working I need someone to help pay for my retirement, even though he wasn't retired. He would make her so mad, and then he'd get up and start walking home laughing because he liked to have fun. Ralph and I became closer after Bill passed away. He would call me wanting me to come over and help him do whatever he needed. He'll be sadly missed by myself, my wife our son and granddaughter. Rest in peace brother, until we meet again. Don, Janet, Michael and Cassie May Schwab

March 23 at 1:37 PM



Anonymous sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Velasquez family.



March 23 at 7:33 AM



Opal And Yvonne sent an Arrive in Style to the Velasquez family.



March 23 at 7:07 AM



Edna, Terri, Debby, Laura & Rhonda sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Velasquez family.



March 22 at 2:46 PM



Tribute Wall

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Anonymous sent an Enchanted Cottage to the Velasquez family.

March 22 at 11:20 AM



Love, Sandy And Michelle sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Velasquez family.

March 22 at 10:42 AM





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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Raphael by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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