

## Frank Javier Perez

September 7, 1937 - October 27, 2020

Frank J Perez Born on September 7th, 1937 in Mexico, the oldest son of Ciprano Perez and Amelia Cavasos died October 27th at his home in Fort Collins, Colorado, with his loving wife Mary Perez by his side. Frank came to America with his parents and his two sisters in 1943, becoming a legal citizen in 1957. After graduating high school, he enlisted in the United States Navy, where he served his country for 11 years. Upon returning, he married Mary Medellin, daughter of Severo and Senobia Medellin, on November 30th, 1968. He then took over business that he and his mom started Pobre Panchos, where he remained the owner and operator for 51 years.

Besides his wife, Frank leaves behind: His daughters Monica S. Bird, Amelia A. Perez, and Tiffany L. Perez (deceased at birth). Along with five grandsons Matthew Perez, Ron Bird, Chris Bird, Nicholas Perez, Daniel Bird, and two granddaughters Karolyn Bird and Megan Perez. He had one great-grandson Ryker Peterson and two great-granddaughters, Kaylee and Carmen Conner. Frank was an active member of the Catholic Community at Holy Family Church, serving as a Policy Council member, Fiesta planner, and an usher. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus and The North College business association.

He was a generous and giving member of the community.

His love for carpentry started when he was young, making things for his sisters, and continued until just weeks before his death.

He is preceded in death by his youngest daughter Tiffany L, his brother Roy, niece Lisa and nephew Tom and his parents Ciprano and Amelia Perez. He leaves behind a loving family.

The Visitation will be held from 12 - 2 p.m. Saturday, October 31, 2020 at Bohlander Funeral Chapel.. A Private Rosary will be held with military honors.

In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to Phoenix Hospice, in care of Bohlander Funeral Chapel, 121 W. Olive, Ft. Collins, CO 80524.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **31**. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (MT)

Bohlender Funeral Chapel  
121 W. Olive Street  
Fort Collins, CO 80524

# Tribute Wall



“ *Bohlender Funeral Chapel created a Webcast in memory of Frank Javier Perez*



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**Bohlender Funeral Chapel** - October 31, 2020 at 04:59 PM

JB

“ *Frank Perez Befriended and employed me when I was only 14 years old. He mentored me and taught me how to work and care for others. I think of Him often and Bless his memory. I look forward to seeing him again one day. Frank came along side me when I was a young troubled boy and he showed me what respect and love was all about. Frank , I can only hope to be half the man you are. God bless you my dear friend. There is much fruit and blessings for you in Heaven. See you brother.!*

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**Jim Boswell** - November 28, 2023 at 04:34 AM

JP

“ *Our family was always in Pobre Panchos eating. He was such a wonderful man with great stories. He is missed. God bless his soul in heaven and I'm sure him and John are hashing things over. Sincerely, Judy Parks*

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**Judy Parks** - November 24, 2020 at 06:16 PM

ST

“ My condolences to the Perez family, I knew the family very well. Went to school with Mary , Joe, Louie, and Roy. May the good lord bless you all and ease the pain. Sam Trujillo

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**sam Trujillo** - November 03, 2020 at 10:17 PM

MA

“ we send our love and prayers Manuel and Angie Apodaca.

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**Manuel Apodaca** - November 03, 2020 at 04:53 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Frank Javier Perez.



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October 30, 2020 at 08:28 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Frank Javier Perez.



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October 30, 2020 at 03:07 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Frank Javier Perez.



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October 30, 2020 at 11:50 AM

JW

“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to you Mary and to all your family. Frank will be missed. I will always remember him coming downstairs while we were working on dolls and chatting with us. He always supported what we were doing. It was easy to see how much he loved and cared for his family. We admired him greatly. Love Freda & John Weaver

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**John Weaver** - October 30, 2020 at 11:41 AM

PH

“ Paulette Hagans lit a candle in memory of Frank Javier Perez



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**Paulette Hagans** - October 30, 2020 at 11:06 AM

PH

“ Mary and daughters, we are so very sorry for your loss DAMN CANCER SUCKS!!! Panchos was and is my favorite place to eat, always enjoyed the girls and there kindness, Frank you were certainly one of a kind and love and respected by many. Was a great contributor to Dans boxing club and many organizations in the city. I know your family will make you proud and carry on with your legacy, and keep POBRE PANCHO As strong as ever. God Bless the Perez Family Our Love To All. The Dan Hagans Family❤️❤️❤️

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**Paulette Hagans** - October 30, 2020 at 11:05 AM

CB

*To Mary and Family, I send my love and sympathy to all of you 🌸. I remember Frank's smile when he would greet each customer at Ponchos. He was a wonderful blessing to all who knew him. I am so sorry for your loss. God will give you the strength to move forward and you will always have the sweet memories of Frank and your family times together. God is always beside you and loves you all so much! Peace, comfort and love as you take one day at a time. Cathy Bird*

cathy bird - October 31, 2020 at 03:51 PM

LE

*“ Mary and Family, I am so sorry that Frank Passed. I always Liked seeing him at Poncho's. Blessings to you and your Family.. He will be missed. Lenore Bujack Elliott*



Lenore Elliott - October 30, 2020 at 09:30 AM



*“ We are very sorry to hear of Frank's passing. We have known the family for many years. May God comfort the family at this time.*

Jim Burrill - October 30, 2020 at 08:15 AM


KT

*“ Frank and Pobre Panchos have been a thread in my life. He was a good friend to my mom, Fran Thompson, and supported the work of Volunteers Clearing House. He has been a friend and a wonderful part of the fabric of the Fort Collins community.*

*My thoughts are with Mary and his family.*

*Kacy Thompson*

Kacy Thompson - October 30, 2020 at 06:59 AM

 Brandi Dawn

“ When my husband and I were first married we would come to Ponchos for lunch and Frank always met us with a smile and a laugh. When our kids were little, he always made sure they had a dessert treat and a smile when they left the restaurant. Mary your family has always made ours feel welcome and we appreciated Frank so much.

*Bob and Brandi Nauta*

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**Brandi Dawn** - October 30, 2020 at 01:58 AM

JH

“ I have a memory of Ponchos, when I was just very young we lived in the shack that was just a couple of places north of the restaurant and I would walk my bike over to the parking lot in the back. It had the best ledge from the blacktop to the sidewalk, I could use that ledge to push off while I was learning to ride my bike before I learned to use the pedals to get myself going. essentially I learned to ride a bike in that parking lot, and also had many great meals there also. Love this place. My deepest condolences

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**josiah hall** - October 29, 2020 at 11:09 PM

RM

“ Frank was a very good and decent man. His brother, Jesse, and I used to go to the downtown restaurant on Walnut Street where his mom always gave us a free lunch. These are great people and should not be forgotten. What a legacy in endearment for home cooking, relationship, And a caring person.

*Ray Martinez, former mayor of Fort Collins*

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**ray martinez** - October 29, 2020 at 10:27 PM

MA

“ We have truly enjoyed eating at Panchos for the past 40+ years and getting to know Frank and Mary. Going there for the conversations with Frank when he sat with us at our table was the highlight of our day and the amazing food was just an added bonus! We have really missed talking with him, seeing his smiling face and his witty T-shirts!

We love and miss you Frank.

We send our best to Mary and his entire family!

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**Marilyn L Allen** - October 29, 2020 at 04:36 PM

KF

Frank will truly be missed. Loved coming to Pobre Panchos to eat. Frank would come set and visit when it wasn't busy. He loved his tennis games! He would always wave when he went by our house and we were outside. Sending our best wishes to Mary and family!

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**Kris & Tony Flanagan** - October 29, 2020 at 10:00 PM

JA

“ Jerry and Marilyn Allen purchased the Beautiful i  
n Blue for the family of Frank Javier Perez.



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**Jerry and Marilyn Allen** - October 29, 2020 at 04:27 PM