



## Richard R. Martinez

March 12, 1962 - August 28, 2013

Richard Ray "Richie" Martinez March 12, 1962 — August 28, 2013 Fort Collins, Colorado

Visitation: 9-4 Friday, August 30, 2013 and 1-5 Sunday, September 2, 2013  
Bohlender Funeral Chapel, 121 W Olive St, Fort Collins, Co 80524

Rosary and Mass: 9:30 Monday, September 2, 2013

Holy Family Church, 326 N. Whitcomb St, Fort Collins, CO 80521

Richard Ray "Richie" Martinez, 51, son of Phil and Carmen Martinez, died peacefully in Hospice care at Spring Creek Healthcare, Wednesday, August 28, 2013. He attended Gateway at a young age. Later it became Foothills Gateway which he attended continually through their Retirement group. He worked for Foothills Gateway in assembly work and housekeeping. He worked for Canino's Restaurant in food prep and the Dodge dealership in janitorial. He was a past member of Boy Scouts, Knights of Columbus #1214 and Sons of the American Legion, Alonzo Martinez Post #187. Everyone that knew him knows he loved music and especially Elvis. He won many ribbons and medals through the years competing in Special Olympics. He also enjoyed skiing, bowling, fishing and big family dinners. He will be missed dearly by his Mom Carmen and Dad Philip; brothers and sisters: Eddie and wife, Connie Martinez, Yvonne and husband, Nano Cruz, LeeAnn, and husband, Gabe Marquez, Andrea and husband, Dan Leal, Paula and husband, James Claycomb, Philip and wife, Jen Martinez; nieces and nephews: Miranda, Jonathan, Adriano, Daniel, Caleb, Shanae, Roman, Gabe, Jessi, Rylee,

Alonzo, Zachary, DeVonne, Dylan, Danae, Gage and Preston; step sister, Patty and husband, Ron with children Eddie, Ron and Raymond, along with his biological father, Edward Martinez and wife, Caroline. A very special thank you to all of his care givers at Foothills Gateway, Mosaic Group Home, Poudre Valley Hospital, Spring Creek Healthcare and Hospice of Larimer County. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made Foothills Gateway, 301 W Skyway Dr., Fort Collins, Co 80525 or Alonzo Martinez Scholarship Fund in care of First National Bank, PO Box 578 Fort Collins, Co. 80522. Scholarship reference No. 600103214, Tax deductible ID #840825983.

# Tribute Wall

EH

“ *Carmen & Phil, I was so sorry to hear about Richie's passing. You are all in my prayers. Edna*

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**Edna Hoernicke** - September 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM

ET

“ *Carmen, Phil and Family, We are so sorry for your loss. Richie was a blessing in your lives and you in his. May you meet up on the other side. With love and sympathy, Eric and Molly*

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**Eric and Molly Tacoronte** - September 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM

IG

“ *We're thinking of you and praying for you .god bless.*

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**ida & Tobe Gallegos** - September 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ *Phil, Carmen; God bless you both for having the opportunity to raise an Angel. Sounds like you did a wonderful job. May God bring you peace and know that it is his promise that some day you will join him.*

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**David and Toni Gallegos** - September 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ *I met Richie just a few times but he seemed like such a happy young man. I know Richie had a full life working, enjoying his big family and participating in so many sports. My condolences to Phil and Carmen and my prayers are with you.*

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**Diana Scott** - September 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ Sorry.

Rose Brinks - September 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ Dear Carmen, Phil and family, I was sorry to hear about your loss and want you to know your in our thoughts and prayers!!! Ritchie has an amazing support system starting with wonderful parents and family. I hope all of you are at peace with him being with God in a wonderful place called "Heaven".....

Becky and Charlie Brown - September 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ Our very profound condolences to you all, from Rosemary Clemente and Family

Rosemary Clemente - September 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ We'll miss you, Richie. Hope you're singing lots of Elvis.

Mary Rundquist - September 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ My Dearest Richie, From birth you were able to light up my life. you struggled with walking and talking then at the age of 4years you begin your journey to prosper in life, with the help of a dedicated Nurse who knew about the condition of Downs Syndrome you were enrolled in a class at Gateway Center on Mathews St. Now we know how well you matured in your life. You are a very very special person, Son, Brother, Uncle, Nephew, and a Dear Friend to all who knew you. You had a smile I will never forget especially when you said HI MOM. Our Love always from all your family!!

Mom and Dad - August 31, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ *May you all find comfort in knowing he is with God. Love to all...*

Stephanie Al-Anzi Palmier - August 31, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KR

“ *Dear Carmen and Phillip, We are so sad to hear of Richie's passing. Our condolences to you and your family. We hope to attend his services at Holy Family church. In Sympathy, Karen & John Ragan*

Karen Ragan - August 31, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ *What a beautiful tribute. I only got to meet Richie one time when I was younger. Richie was sweet and very outgoing. I guess life moved on and I always felt blessed to have a big family even though we didn't grow up together. Heck I wasn't even considered his sis in this memorial. I completely understand why but I know somewhere down the road in God's own time we will be given the opportunity to share who we are with one another : Even tho I've never had the chance to get to know my big brother, I believe in the blessings God has in store for us! I look forward to the service where I'm sure I will hear some beautiful memories. I'd like to say as the little known little sister to Richie, Eddie and Patty. God bless this family as they grieve their loss and celebrate a beautiful life! My love, thoughts and prayers go out to each and every one of the beloved family who have shared the life of this wonderful man. God Bless you big brother Richie. Love,*

Carol Martinez Durant - August 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ Carman and Phil, Real sorry to hear about the loss of your son. My prayers for his soul and for you and your family. Betty Espinoza notified me of his passing. At first i didn't know who he was until i read the obituary. Sonnie

Sonnie Castillo - August 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LV

“ To the Martinez family our deepest sympathy on the passing of your beloved son. Anyone who met Ritchie will never forget him. His genuine kindness & gentle ways and love for his family will live forever in our hearts. You all are in my thoughts and prayers. We love you. Lorraine Vigil & Elaine Quintana

Lorraine Vigil - August 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ Carmen, Phil and family, Please accept our sincere condolences in the loss of your son/brother there is nothing worse than the loss of a child. Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family

Don & Juliet Chavez - August 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ Our Hearts go out to you guys and your Family, He will be missed but now he is with the Angels looking and protecting you all now. GOD BLESS With All Our Love Kevin, Tammy & Kids Lucero's

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RM

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RM

“ My deepest sympathy for all the Martinez family. Richie was a blessing to all of us who knew him. His love for Elvis was something I enjoyed seeing in him as I also love his music. My prayers are with you all in this time of loss.

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**Raquel S. Martinez** - August 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM

VG

“ All of my fondest childhood memories always included my cousin Richie. Always took him where we went, and spent our time outdoors. So many to list. Richie will live in my heart and memories until we meet again. I Love You Cousin. May Peace be with you as you Rest. Your cousin CinCin.

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**Vince Gallegos** - August 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ My love and prayers from The Romero family. from Antonito, Colo and Las Mesitas. Colorado . With love your cousins Carla, Betty @Herman, Philip, Nestor, Walter. and Tom and Mary, Linda and Gabe Tresco and Henry....

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**Carla Romero** - August 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ *My thoughts & prayers are with all the Martinez family. Ritchie was a very special person and will be greatly missed by all who knew him. Bless all of you.*

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**Cindie Sanchez** - August 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CV

“ *My memories of Richie are not many, I was only 5 when I last saw him. However, I do remember that he would do things to make me laugh and that he could hug really tight. Giving you no doubt on how much he loved you. He was, and always will be loved and in a very special place in our hearts. God bless your soul and thank you for giving me the privilege of having you as part of our family. Love you.*

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**Carolyn Vazquez** - August 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ *Richie was a true gift to our family. Richie was a wonderful example of love in its purest form. His heart warming smile and bear hugs will be missed. His excitement for life and music were contagious. Aunt Carmen and Uncle Phil thank you for truly embracing the gift of Richie's life. We will miss him so very much.*

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**Cliff and Lorna Romero** - August 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ *May he rest in peace. God bless the family.*

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**cheryl rowland jones** - August 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ *Little Richie was a true blessing to our family. He always had a smile and he shared his joy with all of us who learned his joy for life. He was a great fan of Elvis. He dressed like him on many an occasion. On my last visit I played Elvis's Love Me Tender that he enjoyed. We will surely miss his gentle smile and his love for his family. May he rest in peace.*

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**Dr & Mrs David C Baez** - August 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM