



Mr. Luis "Tibu" Andino-Perez

November 22, 1940 - May 20, 2022

UTICA – Mr. Luis “Tibu” Andino-Perez, age 81, peacefully passed away on Friday, May 20, 2022, after he was visited by the last child on his list.

Luis was born in San Juan, Puerto Rico, on November 22, 1940, to the late Pedro and Marta (Perez) Andino. He was raised and educated in San Juan and later came to Utica in 1996. He resided locally for several years before returning to Puerto Rico to be closer to family. Notably, he was proud to have served his country in the US Army from 1959 to 1965, which found him in service during the Vietnam era.

Luis married the love of his life, Ramona Maldonado, in 1962. The couple was very much in love, standing by each other throughout their life journey. Luis and Ramona celebrated 55 years together before she passed on September 1, 2017. He truly missed her and made sure to honor her memory. The pair loved Puerto Rico, but once Ramona passed, their children encouraged Luis to come to Utica to be cared for.

In Puerto Rico, he had spent many years working at the seaports as a Preparing Handler. It was from this position that he retired.

A kindhearted man, Tibu was also known for being outgoing and the life of the party! There were many family reunions, and all were filled with the trappings of celebrations: food, drinks, barrels of laughs, the brothers and sisters, and multiple generations. Music was always mandatory on these occasions; salsa on rainy days and Latino mixed music on sunny days which was always played at a respectful volume. Tibu was always so excited and he wanted to dress in style whenever there was a gathering. For fun, he particularly enjoyed playing Dominos, card games like 31, and Bingo. He was also a sports fan who loved boxing, baseball, and watching the NY Yankees on TV. Luis was the kind of man whose heart was filled with excitement for life. He was charming, which made him legendary among those he loved and even with those he may have just met. Happiness and family were his priorities. “Tibu” was the word chosen to honor and respect him, for he was an amazing dad who excelled at providing for his children’s needs—physical and emotional. In fact, he did this not only for his loved ones, but also for anyone in need!

As a grandfather, he was adored. The grandkids loved when he napped with them, and everybody loved to spend time with him.

A man of faith, Luis prayed daily for those who might be sick. It is therefore fitting that he is now at peace and in Heaven. He went home to the Lord, knowing that his family loved and honored him for the good man he was. The last of his words on this earth were “family first”.

Luis is survived by his children, Marta Andino, Angel Andino (who was preceded by his wife Marilu Mazzanet DeJesus, who passed on May 10, 2022), Luz Andino and Juan Gonzalez, and Luis R. Andino and Lyvel Andino. He will live on in the hearts of his grandchildren, including Sacha, and Hector; Roberto “Tito”, Jesus, and Anthony; and his great-grandchildren, Adasha, Carimar, and Damian. Luis will be fondly remembered by his siblings, Rafa, Betzy, Rosa, and Martita. He was preceded by his brothers, Papo, Raul, and Chuito. He leaves behind many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins; and his in-laws, including Papito, Lune, and Cuchita. Back in Puerto Rico, Luis has left many friends with wonderful memories of him, especially Don Luis.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to Dr. William Jorgensen at the Rome VA, for he was amazing with Luis; to the VA Medical Center, where he was cared for with much love, compassion, and sensitivity; and especially to Iva, his social worker who was amazing at keeping communications with his family so important.

Visitation will take place on Thursday, May 26, 2022, from 4:30 to 6:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **26**. 4:30 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Carmen Rodriguez lit a candle in memory of Mr. Luis "Tibu" Andino-Perez*



Carmen Rodriguez - May 26 at 11:03 AM