



Mr. David G. Rodriguez

April 25, 1959 - May 27, 2023

HERKIMER/UTICA – Mr. David G. Rodriguez, age 64, was reunited with his love, Angela, when he passed away on Saturday, May 27, 2023.

Born in Utica on April 25, 1959, David was the son of the late Gil Ortiz and Josefina (Rodriguez) Rodriguez. He attended Utica Free Academy and BOCES. On October 9, 1982, David wed the former Angela M. Melise.

Despite life's ups and downs, they were always there for each other. They stayed together through thick and thin. Their devotion and love for one another was the key. Angela passed away on October 3, 2013.

David was proud to have held employment with the Maintenance Department of the Masonic Care Community of NY where he faithfully served for over 30 years. His most recent employment was with the Adirondack Bank Center where he worked as a Guest Services Supervisor for parking. He had a great work ethic and at one time even balanced his full-time job with four other part-time jobs! He spent many years DJing for K-Rock Radio, working security at "the aud," and was often looked on as a handyman for friends and neighbors.

In the early 2000s David worked with Fat Katz Comedy Club where he worked with their sound system and assisted in many other management aspects.

David found meaning in cherishing his friendships and remembering all those he met. In 2020, he was diagnosed with bone cancer. He struggled to slow down after a life of never letting grass grow under his feet. David's family was invaluable to his healthcare, but his sister Shirley ("Chicken Nugget" as he affectionately named her) was an angel; she took him into her home and was

at his side until the very end.

David is survived by his daughter, Melissa Younghanz and her son, his pride and joy, Benjamin David Rodriguez; his son, David Allen Rodriguez; his sisters and their loves, Eunice M. Cotto, Marian and Luis Rodriguez, Udelia “Judy” Rodriguez, Elsie and Marco Bermudez, and Shirley Rodriguez and Nano; many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, and his extended family in Puerto Rico.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, June 7, 2023 from 5:00-6:00 p.m. at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. David’s funeral service and Celebration of Life will commence at 6:00 p.m. at the funeral home immediately upon conclusion of visitation.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 7. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Eannace Funeral Home, Inc.
932 South Street
corner of Hammond Ave.
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Funeral Service

JUN 7. 6:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

JA

“ So Sorry To the Rodriguez Family David was a child hood friend.
May God be with you all Rest In Peace old friend

John Alberico - June 08, 2023 at 12:32 AM



“ Sending condolences to Melissa, Benjamin and all the Rodriguez family. Always enjoyed David's presence. He was a very caring person.

Marie Ferrio Lapolla - June 07, 2023 at 04:55 PM

FC

“ I was saddened to learn of David's passing. I will never forget all the good times we shared together, especially all the events where he was our deejay. He certainly left all of us with such good memories. My sincerest condolences to the whole family. Let's not mention how many years we knew each other! All good. Que en paz descanse.

Frankito Calaprice - June 06, 2023 at 12:07 PM

DM

“ My sincere condolences to the Rodriguez family. I was lucky to have worked with Dave for many years at MCC. Anyone who knew Dave will remember his great personality and his contagious smile. Rest In Peace.

Donna Maxam

Donna Maxam - June 05, 2023 at 03:07 PM

KJ

“ My condolences to the Rodriguez family. I worked with Dave at MCC. Great guy and great sense of humor. My friend, I pray you are in heaven with our King Jesus Christ and that you will forever be at peace.

Kenneth Parkhurst Jr - June 05, 2023 at 11:27 AM

JY

“ Joe Yourno lit a candle in memory of Mr. David G. Rodriguez



Joe Yourno - June 03, 2023 at 04:13 PM

JY

Dave was more than a co-worker at MCC. He was a friend and confidant. He made me feel welcome from my first day on the job. He helped me get through some trying times in my life. My most sincere condolences to all of Dave's family. He will be greatly missed by all of us. Rest in peace Dave.

Joe Yourno - June 03, 2023 at 04:18 PM

SH

“ Prayers for all! Dave had a huge heart for the folks at MCC and a smile to light up the room. 🙏❤️

SharonVanKuren - June 03, 2023 at 04:09 PM

NH

“ Will miss you Dave.
You were always a good friend and coworker.

Nancy Herringshaw - June 03, 2023 at 11:51 AM

ML

“ 🙏 *Condolences to the family. Heaven has gained a good man that we on earth have lost. Thank you David and I hope you dance. Rest in Peace, our friend. Bill n Michelle Lopiccolo*

Michelle Lopiccolo - June 03, 2023 at 09:54 AM

DS

“ *To .. Dave's Family . Words fail to express our sorrow for your Loss. Wishing you peace and comfort during this difficult time . Please know you are in our thoughts, Prayers and in our hearts. Dave , I'll miss you . We worked together for such a long time . You were always there when I needed help . Rest in Peace , My Dear Friend .*

Debby Skinner - June 03, 2023 at 04:56 AM

CM

“ *I can remember him being a kid hiding out in a shed a few yards over reading his comic books. He always had such a beautiful smile on his face. Every time I ran into him a smile and a bear hug he would give me. Always asked about my family. My love and prayers go out to his family.*



Charlene Miller-Fessia - June 02, 2023 at 09:07 PM

LC

“ *David was a special friend and loved by so many. He and his smile will be truly missed. RIP dear friend.*

Condolences to the entire family and friends that loved him so much.



Lydia Carretero - June 02, 2023 at 08:43 PM

DS

I worked with Dave at MCC Chil Care for 15 1/2 years. He always had a smile and willing to correct any issue he was up against. His love and devotion for Angela's illness will not be forgotten. I remember his sister, whom was his sister, also worked at MCC, was his pride and joy! But... not as much as his daughter Angela, whom he gave a huge smile when he talked about!

Prayers to the entire family and continue to enjoy your musi from the heavens above 🎵🎵🎵 🙏🙏

Diane shephard - June 07, 2023 at 09:14 AM