



## Reinerio "Ray" Romero

June 17, 1959 - June 24, 2007

Mr. Reinerio "Ray" Romero, age 48, of Utica, passed away on Sunday, June 24, 2007.

Born in El Salvador on June 17, 1959, Ray was the son of Juana Victoria Romero. He was raised and educated in El Salvador and came to New York at the age of 18. In Utica he attended M.V.C.C. and received his Associates degree in Drug and Alcohol Counseling. He then furthered his education at SUNY and earned his Bachelor's Degree in Social Work.

Always willing to lend a hand, Ray was a good-hearted man with a sense of humor. He loved to tell poignant stories of life. He was a creative cook, a Mr. Fix-it, and a jack-of-all-trades. He was endowed with an innate knowledge necessary to complete any task. As an outdoorsman, he enjoyed horseback riding and grooming animals. He loved classic disco and soul music from the 1970's, and during his spare time he took pleasure in working on cars.

Ray is survived by his mother, Juana Victoria Romero; his daughters, Melissa Romero, Sarah Romero-Needham, and Kayla Romero; his son, Douglas Romero; and his granddaughter, Makayla Mendez. Also surviving are his sisters, Claudia Castaneda of Long Island, and Armanda and Luis Hernandez of Queens; his brother, Roberto J. Bruch of Long Island; his nephews, Christian Morin, and Emil Bruch; and his dear and cherished friend, Adele Cortez.

Visitation will be held Friday from 4:00 – 6:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. Ray's funeral service will

commence at the funeral home on Friday at 6:00 p.m. immediately upon conclusion of visitation. Msgr. John P. Flanagan will officiate the ceremony.

# Tribute Wall



“ Dear Ray,  
You are still thought about . I was sitting here and thinking of you looking out the window while it's is pouring . I remembered your anniversary of your passing is upon me, I looked it up and it is just hours away. I feel like your spirit comes around to remind me of the great times. I love and miss you my dear friend till we meet again one day. Rest In Peace my dear friend. Love, Lorina

Lorina - June 23, 2023 at 09:23 PM



“ damn man i saw him like a month before he died he was my blood uncle and he was mad cool =[[[imported-begin]]calvin  
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June 04, 2009 at 05:27 PM



“ That was my uncle. He is greatly missed by our family. ❤️  
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March 13, 2009 at 05:49 PM



“ Daddy it been a almost two years since you pasted away and i just want to say i miss you very much and love you a lot my mom misses you to everybody will miss you dad we know you are wacthing over us love always your daughter Kayla Romero![[[imported-begin]]Kayla Romero[[[imported-end]]]

March 02, 2009 at 08:05 PM



“ *Daddy it been a almost two years since you pasted away and i just want to say i miss you very much and love you a lot my misses you to everybody will miss dad we know you are wachting over us love alwats your daughter Kayla Romero!###imported-begin###Kayla Romero###imported-end##*

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March 02, 2009 at 08:01 PM



“ *ray its been a little over a year since god called upon you .i want to let you know that you are missed and that i think about you often especially when i look at your daughter my sister kayla she is alot like you in so many ways ...she is kind and caring and she a free spirit ...ray even though your not here physically i no that your here in spirit and you have left your mark here w/lots of memories ...ray your missed everyday and you will always continue to be missed.###imported-begin###karen ###imported-end##*

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July 13, 2008 at 08:53 AM



“ *This message is more for my dearest friend Melissa that i love dearly I know you are dealing with the most difficult part of life" Death of a loved one". There's a time when we all most go, some sooner than others and we always ask WHY, but we just need to be strong and remember only GOD knows WHY, Ray is just another Angel up above. I never had a chance to meet my best friend's dad because of distance but I heard so many stories over and over about him, it was like i already knew him. Just want to say to Melissa and all of Ray's family that you guys are all in my prayers and just keep your head up and see that everytime you see a star shining, that will be him letting you know he's in peace. And I promise with all the faith in GOD justice will be served! Amen.###imported-begin###Isabel Robinson###imported-end##*

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June 30, 2007 at 01:21 AM



“ *Daddy you will always be in my heart even though we where far apart. Now I know that me and Makayla have an Angel watching over us. Say hello to my grandma Dolores she will be happy that you are with her. My father had a big heart he would give his last dollar to someone on the street. He was loved by many. I want to thank everyone for your prayers and support in this rough time. You will be missed by everyone. Love Always Melissa###imported-begin###Melissa Mendez###imported-end##*

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June 28, 2007 at 10:33 PM



“ *I want to express my condolences to Rays' family for their loss, also to my little sister Kayla. She has to grow up knowing her Dad is no longer here. I explained to her that she has an angel watching over her now. She loves her Dad very much and she knows that he loved her as well. She's too young to have to deal with something like this... so many unanswered questions. I don't think she fully understands, she's only 11. It's so sad, but as his sister said God must have called upon him. My prayers are with Rays' family, my little sister, and his others daughters (that I heard so much about from Ray). I am so for your loss...###imported-begin###Melissa Colon###imported-end##*

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June 28, 2007 at 03:40 PM



“ I was very saddened to learn of Ray's untimely death. I met Ray many years ago while at a meeting of "Friends of Bill W" Ray was a very kind man. He also had the knack of humor and enjoyed making people laugh. I wish that Ray had grasped recovery. It takes some of us a lot longer than others. Ray, may you find the peace and serenity in Heaven, that you sought so desperately here on earth. Love and prayers go out to Rose and Kayla and to all of Ray's family and friends. Rest under the shady tree, friend!###imported-begin##Wendy Harding##imported-end##

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June 28, 2007 at 10:42 AM



“ Our dearest brother will be missed. We will always ask, why did he visit us for such a short time and in time we hope to heal, find and understand the answer. In time we will know that he was called upon God and that God was short an "Angel". Especially an angel that loved to cook, dance and most of all fix everyone's car.... He was a man of many great wonders, some we knew and some we didn't get to know. Our brother made his life here in upstate New York. He loved the outdoors, animals and most of all being surrounded by nature. He has made so many friends along the way and held so many of you close & dear to his heart. Our brother was a good person, a good father and a great friend. He loved his daughters, family and all his friends very much. He would never turn his back on anyone who needed his help. Very seldom in life does one get to meet someone like "Rei" and we can only hope that you will all remember him for the kind person that he was and for the smiles he brought to you when you saw him. We thank you all for being his friend, companion, brother or sister.

*His family would like to thank you all for your kind wishes and prayers. May God bless you all and may you all remember "Rei" as he was. We sincerely thank you from the bottom of our hearts for loving him that way you all did!*

Love,  
The Romero Family##imported-begin##Claudia Castaneda,  
Armanda Torres and Robert Bruch##imported-end##

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June 28, 2007 at 09:47 AM