



Ben Rivera

June 15, 1969 - December 8, 2008

A prayer vigil will be held for Ben Rivera Jr., 39, of Roswell at 7 pm Sunday, Dec. 14, 2008 at Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home Chapel. A mass will be celebrated for Ben at 10 am Monday, Dec. 15, 2008 at St. John's Catholic Church with Father Juan Montoya O.F.M. officiating. Burial will follow at South Park Cemetery. Ben passed away on Monday, Dec. 8, 2008 at his home. Visitation will be Saturday, 8-5pm and Sunday, 12-8 pm.

Ben was born June 15, 1969 in Corpus Christi, TX. to Ben Sr. and Erminda Rivera. Ben was a member of St. John's Catholic Church. Ben loved to go fishing, work on carpentry, gardening, playing softball, was also a little league baseball coach and enjoyed life to the fullest. He will be missed by all who knew him.

Ben is survived by his loving companion, Josephine Lucero, and her son, Tomas Mendez, his mother, Jane Chaves, three brothers; Rick Alaniz, Manny Gonzales and his wife, Nadine, and Jerry Gonzales; his sister, Christina Gonzales and her husband, Chris all of Roswell; special uncle, Joe Anthony Chaves who was like a brother, his sons; Ben Rivera III and his wife, Vanessa of Albuquerque, Alex and Israel Rivera of Roswell, his daughter, Cassandra Rivera of El Paso, TX. and his grandson, Brandon Rivera and numerous nieces, nephews, uncles, aunts, cousins and friends.

Ben is preceded in death by his parents, Ben Rivera Sr., and Erminda Rivera. Pallbearers will be Antonio Chaves, Israel Rivera, Javier Sepulveda, Gilbert Lucero III, Isidro Lucero, Adrian Lucero, Lino Fuentes and Joe Samario.

Honorary Pallbearers will be Fermin Pena, Joe Galvan and Raul Orona.
Please share your thoughts and memories with the family in the online register book at andersonbethany.com

He is Hope and Comfort He's the Healer of the weak When life is filled with questions He's the Answer that you seek When you are lost and lonely His Love will see you through When you feel you can't go on His Arms will Carry You.

Services are under the direction of Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home & Crematory.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ben Rivera*

December 29, 2022 at 05:26 PM



“ *May God bless you! Monica Ramirez and Family.*

Monica Ramirez - December 18, 2008 at 12:53 PM



“ *I went to school with Ben and knew him as well. It is a great loss and I am so sorry to the family. Ben you will be missed.*
Dee Ann

Dee Ann Dennis Campos - December 13, 2008 at 06:45 PM



“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. Please find comfort in knowing that our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. God bless you.*

Teri Romero - December 12, 2008 at 04:02 PM