



## J. Ruben Molina

August 8, 1961 - February 9, 2024

J. Ruben Molina, 62, passed away on Friday, February 9, 2024. Please take a moment to share a kind thought or memory with J. Ruben's family at [www.andersonbethany.com](http://www.andersonbethany.com).

A viewing will be held at Anderson Bethany Funeral Home and Crematory on Friday, February 16, 2024, from 10:00 AM to 8:00 PM. Funeral Services will be at Anderson Bethany Funeral Home and Crematory on Saturday, February 17, 2024 at 10:00 AM. Interment to follow at South Park Cemetery.

On August 8, 1961, J. Ruben was born to Maria Herrera Galindo and Everardo Molina Brito in Ojinaga, Chihuahua, Mexico. In his late thirties he purchased a small ranch with horses and roosters/chickens. He loved owning his quarter horses and was fortunate to win a few races both at the racetrack (Ruidoso Downs, The Downs Racetrack, and Sunland Park Racetrack) and local match races. He loved watching Horse Racing on TV and almost always got together with his wife and sons to see the Kentucky Derby the First Saturday in May. J. Ruben watched and liked all sports but really loved his soccer and cheered for his favorite soccer team which was Club America. He helped everyone and always said things how they were. Family was really important to him and almost every Saturday Night it was tradition to play loteria at the Molina's. Dad enjoyed springtime with Mom/Wife planting flowers and getting his sprinkler for the grass ready. He was the Go-To for making the asado for quinceanera's, Wedding's, or any other special occasion. Dad had a special way to carve up a watermelon in the July Heat that everyone around

him enjoyed when it was their time to get a slice. In 2013 his first grand baby was born and he was super excited to be a grandpa, and yes made the asado for his grandbabies baby shower. Since then, in total he has three grand babies all boys who he loved. He was a Great Man and he left behind some really big shoes to fill. He just left and is already missed dearly.

J. Ruben is survived by his wife, Guadalupe Santillan; children: Ruben Everardo Molina, daughter in law Hailyn Palacios, and Ricardo Molina; grandchildren: Ruben Emiliano Molina, Adriel Alejandro Molina, and Mateo Giovanni Molina; siblings: Graciela Gutierrez, Abelardo Molina Herrera, and Rosario Molina Herrera; sisters-in-law and spouses: Juana Santillan, Francisca Santillan, Herlinda Galvan and Jose Elias Galvan, Rosa Bedolla and Jose Bedolla, Laura Hernandez and Alvaro Hernandez, Belen Romero and Juan Romero; nieces and nephews: Juan Mauricio Santillan, Jose Macias, Frank Macias, Alejandro Macias, Eduardo Macias, Arnulfo Santillan, Juan de Dios Santillan, Cecilia Mesa, Narciso II Santillan, Gloria McIntyer, Erika Morales, Jose Santillan, Lorena Borunda, Jose Galvan, Elizabeth Jimenez, Lorenza Peralta, Jose Horacio Bedolla, Bernie Bedolla, Araceli Hernandez, Jorge Hernandez, Alvaro Hernandez, Laura Perry, Frankie Romero, Diego Romero, Tania Armendariz, Larissa Armendariz, Sergio Armendariz, Yuri Armendariz, Lisa Molina, Oleyda Molina, Abraham Gutierrez, Mary Gutierrez, Marisol Gutierrez, Jose Luisa Molina, Norma Castillo, Ana Marina Molina, Abelardo Molina, Erica Molina, Alan Molina, Elizabeth Molina, Mario Perez, Alexis Perez, Sergio Molina, Rosita Molina, Julio Molina, and Jessica Molina; close friends: Ismael "Mayito" Franco, Jose Luis Pompa, Ignacio "Nacho" Villalobos, an Natividad "Nati" Romero; and so many more close friends and people who loved him.

J. Ruben is preceded in death by his paternal grandparents: Jesus Molina and Juliana Brito; maternal grandparents: Rafael Herrera and Rosa Galindo; parents: Everardo Molina Brito and Maria Herrera Galindo; siblings: Luz Olga Molina, Arturo Molina, Jose Luis Molina, and Alonso Molina; brothers-in-law: Narciso Santillan and Jose "Pepe" Santillan; niece, Jessica Perez Molina;

nephews: Javier Molina and Roberto Santillan; and Compadre, Victor Palacios.

Those blessed to be chosen as honorary pallbearers are Ruben Everardo Molina, Ruben Emiliano Molina, Adriel Alejandro Molina, Mateo Giovanni Molina, and Junior Santillan.

Those honored to serve as pallbearers are Ricardo Molina, Juan Mauricio Santillan, Alexis Perez Molina, Mario Perez Molina, Horacio Bedolla, Bernie Bedolla, Frankie Romero, and Rafael Santillan.

The family wishes to give a special thanks to Anna Tarin with Ambercare and the Care team with Gentiva Hospice.

J. Ruben's tribute was lovingly written by his family.

# Previous Events

## Viewing

FEB **16**. 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM (MT)

Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home and Crematory  
2609 South Main  
Roswell, NM 88203  
(575) 622-5888  
abfh@andersonbethany.com

## Funeral Service

FEB **17**. 10:00 AM (MT)

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*Interment to follow at South Park Cemetery.*

# Tribute Wall

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“ Our deepest condolences are with the Molina Family!! Chris an I have always love and respected this wonderful man!! Always welcome in home with open arms❤️ Our fondest memory other than his caring and kindness to anyone he met was doing football picks every year!! He always had his own system of picking the winners and won many times!! May you please be at peace and thank you for for being part of our memories for so many years 🙏  
Con mucho Amor...Chris and Nancy Colby

nancy colby - February 20, 2024 at 12:06 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of J. Ruben Molina.



February 15, 2024 at 11:29 AM

NM

“ Naomi Lou Madril lit a candle in memory of J. Ruben Molina



Naomi and Lou Madril - February 14, 2024 at 04:53 PM

DM

“ Durango Midstream planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of J. Ruben Molina.

Durango Midstream - February 14, 2024 at 03:22 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of J. Ruben Molina.



February 14, 2024 at 03:22 PM



“ Your Mustang Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of J. Ruben Molina.

Your Mustang Family - February 14, 2024 at 11:17 AM



“ Your Mustang Family purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of J. Ruben Molina.



Your Mustang Family - February 14, 2024 at 11:17 AM



“ My most sincere condolences to all his Family. May he RIP 🙏

Elvia (Vita) Chavez - February 13, 2024 at 08:59 PM



My most sincere condolences to the Family. ❤️ 🙏 RIP MY GOOD FRIEND

JOSÉ LUIS POMPA JR. - February 14, 2024 at 03:05 PM

MB

“ *Miranda Santillan & Tim Becker purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of J. Ruben Molina.*



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**Miranda Santillan & Tim Becker** - February 13, 2024 at 05:21 PM

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“ *Yolanda Rivera lit a candle in memory of J. Ruben Molina*



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**Yolanda Rivera** - February 13, 2024 at 03:41 PM



“ *Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of J. Ruben Molina.*



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February 13, 2024 at 02:47 PM