



Leonard Sanchez

February 21, 1946 - July 14, 2009

Obituary for Leonard Sanchez A rosary will be recited for Leonard Sanchez, 63, of Roswell, at 7 pm, Thursday, July 16, 2009 at St. Johns the Baptist Catholic Church. A funeral mass will be celebrated at 10 am, Friday, July 17, 2009 at St. Johns with Father Juan Montoya O.F.M. officiating. Burial will follow at South Park Cemetery. Visitation for Leonard will begin at 11 am, Thursday, July 16, 2009 at Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home. Leonard passed away Tuesday, July 14, 2009 at Eastern New Mexico Medical Center. Leonard was born February 21, 1946 to Alfonso Sanchez and Paula Rodriguez-Sanchez in Artesia, NM. He was a lifelong resident of Roswell. Leonard worked and retired from the Chaves County Road Department, where he worked for twenty years as a Heavy Equipment Operator. He loved music, and played several musical instruments including the saxophone, guitar, bass guitar, accordion and the piano. He sang and played in the Church Choir at St. Johns for the 12 pm. services. Leonard played for many weddings and funerals, he also enjoyed making wood bird houses and windmills. He was an antique collector, collecting many antique tractors in his life. Leonard joked around and made everyone laugh, he was very family oriented and loved being around them, he especially loved his grandchildren, nieces and nephews. Leonard had a big heart and was loved by everyone that he knew. He is survived by his wife Krystyna of the family home, four sons; Roy Sanchez and his companion Pam Torres of Roswell, Raymond Sanchez and his wife Cherie of Roswell, Richard Sanchez and his companion Bernadette

Cervantez of Roswell, Ricky Orlinski and his wife Valerie of Eugene, OR, one daughter; Laura Sanchez and her companion J.R. Schuman of Midland, TX., eight grandchildren; Ivan, Kimberly, Alfonso, Issac, Annalisa, Andres, Phillip and Almira, four brothers; James and his wife Rita Sanchez, Andy and his wife Lucy Sanchez, Pete Sanchez all of Roswell, Alfredo Sanchez of Artesia, one sister; Kay and her husband Leo Raigoza of Roswell, numerous nieces, nephews and close friends. Leonard was preceded in death by his parents, one brother; Manuel Sanchez, one sister; Rosa Ponce and one daughter; Juanita Sanchez. Pallbearers will be Stephen Orlinski, Rueben Sanchez, Manuel Sanchez, Tony Armendariz, Manuel Ponce and Johnny Hidalgo. Honorary Pallbearers will be his grandchildren, nieces, nephews and his friends at the Chaves County Road Department. Please share your thoughts and memories with the family in the online register book at andersonbethany.com Services are under the direction of Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home & Crematory.

Tribute Wall



“ Leonard Sanchez

December 29, 2022 at 05:26 PM



“ Uncle Leonard, I will miss you. Stopping in from Ft Worth was where I knew I was sure to get a good laugh from one of your jokes. Krystina, Roy, Ray, Richard, & Laura I am very sad for all of you. You had a great loving dad. I love you all. May The Lords peace be upon you.

Tina Ponce Ward - July 30, 2009 at 11:21 AM



“ Krystyna, my deepest condolences to you and your family on the loss of Leonard. We are never prepared to lose a loved one, but through their goodness and our memories we will carry them in our hearts as I am sure you will. I am glad I got to meet Leonard way back during our "hoe weeding days" at East Grand Plains. May God bless you and keep you safe.

Jo Olivares Young - July 20, 2009 at 09:34 AM



“ Krystyna, and Family : I am so sorry for your loss....May the Lord comfort you and give you Peace in this time of sorrow. You all are in our prayer's. God Bless you.

Joe & Stephanie Estrada - July 20, 2009 at 08:43 AM

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“ I would like to tell Laura that I am really sorry about her loss. I had many memories of your dad. I remember him playing on the guitar and how we would go in the back room because thats where he had all of the instruments. He was a wonderful man and he will be greatly missed.

Arcelia Rivera - July 19, 2009 at 10:03 PM

MN

“ Dear Krystyna, I offer you my sympathy on the loss of Leonard. I know you will miss him a lot, I am in Dallas with Ann and Jane and they send you their deepest sympathy also. I have known Leonard all his life and his growing up on the Cottonwood.

Morgan Nelson - July 18, 2009 at 06:57 PM

AO

“ Leonardo we will miss you , glad to have shared alot of good family times dancing to la musica with all the families and freinds ,I will never forget our hay hauling days , around Roswell and East Grand Plains . My condolences ,I will never forget you .

Andy Olivares - July 17, 2009 at 05:04 PM

FS

“ Krystyna and Sanchez family; Our sympathy to you all in this time of sorrow. How time flies, and then our Lord and Savior is there just waiting for us to take us home with him. The one place we all strive to be at the end. Leonard was a very good and personal friend of mine through the years. You remember when he was " Leonard and the Spades'? We played together as a band at times and at times we would play against each other, but it was all in good clean fun. Our Lord and Savior has his plans for us and we know that he is there with him. No doubt, playing his heart out for our Lord. Krystyna,I love the verses in 2 Corinthians Chapter 5 verses 1 thru 5, but do read all the chapter, as it is very soothing and inspiring to us. That is what our Lord is all about, us . May God bless you and your family and we will keep you all in our prayers. Thank God for the good times Leonard gave us all and the fine music he shared with us. In Christ our Lord and Our Lady of Guadalupe. Freddie and Mary Sosa

Freddie Sosa - July 17, 2009 at 03:13 PM

JR

“ WILL MISS YOUR FRIENDLY PERSONALITY AND BEAUTIFUL MUSIC. REST IN PEACE AND MY GOD BE WITH YOU.

JOANNE AND RON - July 17, 2009 at 12:47 AM

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“ we are praying for you and your family nick and rosemary tegeda

rosmary tegeda - July 16, 2009 at 09:03 PM

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“ Leonard Sanchez

letisha ponce - July 16, 2009 at 08:48 PM

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“ To the Sanchez family, you are all in my prayers...Leonard was an awesome person!! We all loved him very much. He was so funny, I will never forget him...Just know he is up in Heaven with his Buddy, my dad, and he is watching over all of you. Kristyna, He will always be with you, you were his best friend, and you just can't seperate a love like that... He is so much better now, let us let him get the so much deserved rest he was owed... My love, thoughts and Prayers...

Rebecca (Becky) - July 16, 2009 at 03:55 PM

DG

“ My condolences go out to Krystina and the kids.. Leonard (my buddy) is one of the best friends anyone could ask for. He will be greatly missed and never forgotten. I love you buddy. He is now in the heavens playing music with David for the lord.

Dorothy Garcia - July 16, 2009 at 02:56 PM

BC

“ I am deeply sorry for the loss of Leonard. I got to know Leonard several years ago and found him to be a loving person with a wonderful sense of humor and a great love and respect for his family. My the Lord give you the strength needed to get through this as we wait until we may be with Leonard again. We take comfort in knowing that he is no longer suffering and will be watching over you, Krystna and family.

bernice cavazos - July 16, 2009 at 02:37 PM