



## Orlando Roberto Chavez

September 7, 1958 - February 25, 2023

### Orlando Roberto Chavez's Obituary

Orlando Roberto Chaves 64 years old, passed away on Saturday, February 25, 2023, in Roswell, NM. Services will be held at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Dexter, NM on March 11th at 12:30 pm with reception to follow at the church hall.

Orlando was born on September 7, 1958, to Isabel and Virginia Chavez in Albuquerque, NM. He attended Hot Springs High School, as well as, Deming High School, graduating from Deming in 1976. He attended NMSU through 1980. He met and dated Anna Duran after meeting her at Deming HS.

Orlando married Anna on June 20, 1980, in Deming NM. Orlando and Anna were married for forty-two years and have two sons, Adam, and Eric Chavez. Growing up on the family ranch in T or C, NM, Orlando instilled his love of all things involving cattle. He was hired at Price's Roswell Farms in 1981 becoming Assistant Manager from 1998 through 2005 for Rocky Langley and Brad Houston for more than twenty years: specializing in heifer development and genetics, and this would become his true passion.

Orlando was very involved in the Dexter community teaching classes at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, and serving seventeen years on Dexter Consolidated School Board as President, Vice President, and Secretary. He also served on the board for Eastern New Mexico University-Roswell after going back to college in 2006 to become an Occupational

Therapist. Being an OT came late in his life, but it ended up being a second true passion. Working with the elderly, restoring their abilities, and making them laugh brought endless joy to his life and in turn, helped him touch many lives through therapy.

Orlando volunteered with many clubs in the valley, such as Chaves County 4-H; Boy Scouts; and numerous others. He loved camping, fishing, anything cattle-related, and making everyone laugh. He also loved spending time with his grandchildren. Orlando touched many lives through his outgoing personality, willingness to help anyone in need, and his love for the community of Dexter.

Orlando is survived by his wife Anna Chavez of Dexter, NM, oldest son, Adam Chavez, and wife Marissa of Fort Sumner NM, his youngest son Eric Chavez and wife Nina of Hagerman, NM; Michelle Montoya of Dexter, NM, and his grandchildren Steffany, Evelyn, David, and Michael.

Orlando is preceded in death by his parents Isabel and Virginia Chavez, and brother Michael Chavez. As well as numerous aunts and uncles.

Blessed to be chosen as Honorary Pallbearers are Adam Chavez, Eric Chavez, Dustin Devenport, Richard Rivera, Roy Prieto, and Dexter EMS.

The Chavez family wishes to extend sincere thanks to James and Terry Salas, Justin Powell, Aaron Coats, Manuel Delgado, Jazmine Regalado, Sherry Coats, Margarita Montero, Dennis Cook, Kenda Grimm, Dr. Pope, Dr. Cohen, Dexter Public Schools, Johnathan Wolkitz, Larry Marshall Farm Bureau Office, Dexter Consolidated Schools Staff, and the entire Dexter Community.

# Previous Events

## Service

MAR 11. 12:30 PM (MT)

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church  
400 W 6th St  
Dexter, NM 88230  
(575) 734-5478

# Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Orlando Roberto Chavez.* ”



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March 11, 2023 at 09:55 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Orlando Roberto Chavez.* ”



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March 10, 2023 at 08:24 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Orlando Roberto Chavez.* ”



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March 09, 2023 at 07:08 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Orlando Roberto Chavez.* ”



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March 08, 2023 at 04:43 PM

LH

“ LCH Therapy and Yolanda and Helen purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Orlando Roberto Chavez.



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**LCH Therapy and Yolanda and Helen** - March 08, 2023 at 01:58 PM

SH

“ I enjoyed working with Orlando at Mission Arch Care Center years ago. We had a lot of laughs and fun times together. I am so sorry for your loss, Anna. Orlando was such a kind, fun, and hard-working therapist and colleague. Praying for your comfort, strength and peace during this time.

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**Sherri Hall** - March 03, 2023 at 11:18 PM

BC

*Our sincere Condolences to all of Orlando's Family and Friends. Rest in Peace. Cousin, Bobby and Jenny Chavez. T.or C., NM.*

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**Bobby and Jenny Chavez** - March 05, 2023 at 08:47 AM

CT

“ Anna, sending our love and deepest sympathy to you and your family. Orlando's memory will not be forgotten.  
Love - Caryl and Chuy Trejo

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**Caryl Trejo** - March 03, 2023 at 10:55 PM

CS

“ Anna and family,

*I am so sorry to hear of your loss. May the Lord give you the strength and comfort you need at this time. Orlando will always be in your heart and in the memories, you made with each other and as a family. Love you and I am here for you if you need anything. I will be praying for you and your entire family.*

*Always your friend,  
Carolyn Silva*

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**Carolyn Silva** - March 03, 2023 at 06:32 PM

MG

“ *Condolences to Anna and family. So sorry to hear about your loss. We will keep you all in our thoughts and prayer. May Mr. Chavez rest in peace- Mary, Monica, and Anthony Garcia.*

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**Mary Garcia** - March 02, 2023 at 05:52 PM

TR

“ *Tamra Reyes lit a candle in memory of Orlando Roberto Chavez*



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**Tamra Reyes** - March 02, 2023 at 10:41 AM

ID

“ Rest In Peace my friend,you will be missed. Go Cowboys,, Lol, Thank you for encouraging me pursue my OT career, which I plan to test and pass, in memory of you. To Anna, I am so sorry my friend,,for the loss of your husband , I will miss him in the background when we talked or texted, always disrespecting,,my Dallas Cowboys,, but it was all for fun, or was it, but I forgive you Orlando, Lol,, and to the rest of the family, my prayers and thoughts always.



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**Irma Dutchover** - March 01, 2023 at 11:46 PM

SV

“ Sylvia Solis Vargas lit a candle in memory of Orlando Roberto Chavez



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**Sylvia Solis Vargas** - March 01, 2023 at 11:27 PM

TL

“ Orlando and I had many fun times growing up I was blessed by his friendship. I will miss my Primo except for the time we managed to buy Redman Chewing tobacco at our cousins Mercantile store in Array tell Stevie the store clerk and cousin it was for Uncle Cip. I climbed on the roof of the little house and hid so Aunt Cil wouldn't see how sick I was I think we were about 10years old. Many funny time like this will make me smile when I think of Orlando

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**tim lara** - March 01, 2023 at 09:35 PM

EC

“ My condolences to Anna and the family. May he rest in peace.

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**Estella Martinez Casas** - March 01, 2023 at 06:01 PM

ED

“ *Eden lit a candle in memory of Orlando Roberto Chavez*



eden - February 28, 2023 at 09:15 PM

VS

“ *Viola Silva lit a candle in memory of Orlando Roberto Chavez*



Viola Silva - February 28, 2023 at 03:07 PM

VS

*I'm so sorry to hear about Orlando, he was such a treasure always had some silly jokes, some I couldn't understand. I worked with him in Physical Therapy and he shared the love for his kids and wife was very special to hear. May the Lord be with the family in these hard days. I am happy to call him a friend. Rest in Peace Orlando.*

Viola Silva - February 28, 2023 at 03:13 PM

EC

“ *I was so blessed to have Orlando as apart of my family. We have so many wonderful memories of him and Anna, Adam and Eric. My heart is so sad for his loss. Sending love, hugs and prayers to Anna and all of his family.*



Elaine Carlson - February 28, 2023 at 01:31 PM

JM

“ *Judy Mnsart lit a candle in memory of Orlando Roberto Chavez*



**Judy Mnsart** - February 28, 2023 at 12:51 PM

MM

“ *Marcos And Lucy Morones lit a candle in memory of Orlando Roberto Chavez*



**Marcos and Lucy Morones** - February 28, 2023 at 07:34 AM

CF

“ *Colleen Fuller lit a candle in memory of Orlando Roberto Chavez*



**Colleen Fuller** - February 28, 2023 at 04:27 AM

RO

“ *Rosalinda Olivas lit a candle in memory of Orlando Roberto Chavez*



**Rosalinda Olivas** - February 27, 2023 at 10:11 PM

SP

“ *Sally Peach lit a candle in memory of Orlando Roberto Chavez*



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**Sally Peach** - February 27, 2023 at 08:17 PM