



Toribio Oropesa

April 27, 1948 - December 7, 2023

It is with a heavy heart to announce that Toribio “Toby” Oropesa, 75, entered eternal rest with the Lord on Thursday, December 7, 2023, in Roswell, NM. Toby was surrounded by family in his home.

There will be a viewing at Anderson Bethany Funeral Home on Tuesday, December 12, 2023, from 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. A Rosary will be held at St. John’s Catholic Church on Wednesday at 9:30 a.m., followed by mass service with Father Lalo.

On April 27, 1948, Toby was born to Julian and Herminia Oropesa in Artesia, New Mexico. He then met and married the love of his life, Rosa Dominguez Oropesa, on April 20, 1965. Toby was a proud member of St. John’s Catholic Church and the Cursillo Movement. Prior to retirement, Toby worked for the City of Roswell for many years. Toby was definitely a heaven-sent, one-of-a-kind man. He was the most loving, caring, hardworking family man. He enjoyed playing the accordion, keyboard, drawing, taking day trips with his wife to the mountains, and fixing any and everything he possibly could to keep busy. Toby’s pride and joy was his family; he was an inspiration to all. He was always looking out for others, encouraging others, lending a listening ear or his arms for a hug. He loved his grandchildren and great-grandchildren dearly. He was more than just a grandfather to them. He went over and beyond, and for that, they are all very thankful. He had a beautiful bond with each and

every one of his family members and friends. There are an endless amount of unique characteristics Toby had. He truly had a heart of gold and will be missed immensely. He left so many wonderful memories for his family and friends to forever cherish and live by.

Those left to treasure and cherish memories of Toby eternally are his loving wife, Rosa Dominguez Oropesa; their children: Patty Oropesa, Sonya Oropesa, and Kathy Oropesa. Grandchildren: Jesse Martinez, Yvonne Martinez, KaSandra and Eric Barraza, Kimberly Echavarria, John Aguilar Jr., Josiah Aguilar, Andrew Ortega, Twyla White, and Starla Ortega; 23 precious great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild; Siblings: Raymond and Julia Oropesa, Juan and Corrine Oropesa, Enedina and Andres Cano, Maria and Noel, Carlos and Olivia, and Pancho Carlos; also, numerous nieces and nephews.

Toby is preceded in death by his parents: Julian and Herminia Oropesa; Father and mother-in-law: David and Paula Dominguez; his brother, Cruz Oropesa; and Elizabeth Oropesa.

Honored to serve as pallbearers are Jesse Martinez, Eric Barraza, Josiah Aguilar, Xavier Martinez, Jerry Martinez, and Tyran White II.

Honorary pallbearers will be John Aguilar Jr., Santana Martinez, and Jesse Martinez.

Toby's family wishes to extend sincere thanks to all those who helped fulfill his wishes in his final days, as well as to St. John's Catholic church.

Toby's tribute was written in his honor by his family.

In tears, we saw you sinking,
and watched you pass away.
Our hearts were almost broken,
We wanted you to stay.
But when we saw you sleeping,
So peaceful, free from pain,
How could we wish you back with us
To suffer that again,
It broke our hearts to lose you,
But you did not go alone,
For part of us went with you,
The day God took you home.

Previous Events

Viewing

DEC **12**. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (MT)

Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home and Crematory
2609 South Main
Roswell, NM 88203
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Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album Memorial Video



Anderson - Bethany Funeral Home and Crematory - December 19, 2023 at 12:14 PM

MO

“ Prayers to the Oropesa family My deepest condolences Kathy , Patty, Sonia and my Tia Rosa , brothers and sisters of my Tio Toby and all the grandkids our Tio will be in our ❤️ forever !!

Meli Ortega - December 13, 2023 at 11:26 AM

JA

“ My dear uncle. Your big smile and laughter always lit up a room. Even when Kathy and I burned those black cat fireworks (her fault) you could only pretend to stay mad for very long. I love how fierce you loved your family. Rest in heaven padrino. ❤️

Jenna Acosta - December 12, 2023 at 04:38 PM

EA

“ My sweet dear brother in law Toby had a heart of Gold. He cared so much always striving to ease the heartache for others. His beautiful smile lit up the room letting you know things would be alright. I will forever treasure and hold memories of him deep in my heart. Rest easy now my brother your work here is done. Heaven has gained one of the very best men I've ever known. ❤️

Estella Dominguez Acosta - December 12, 2023 at 10:44 AM

PO

“ I love you so much Dad & I always will. I was blessed to have you in my life for 57 years. I will miss running to your room and showing you all those dumb & funny videos from Facebook. And no matter how hard I sometimes made your life you never turned your back on me & for that I appreciate you from the bottom of my heart. I will miss you SO,SO MUCH!!!! R.I.P Dad...

Patty Oropesa - December 12, 2023 at 02:21 AM

TJ

“ To Patty,Cathy & family my sincere condolences to you and the family. May God Bless You and give you the strength at this time



Teresa Herrera Jaramillo - December 12, 2023 at 12:04 AM

JD

“ My brother in law was one of the best men I've ever know. No matter what the circumstances he was always there reliable and steady. Men like him are a rare breed few an far between. I will miss him very much 😞

Jaime Dominguez - December 11, 2023 at 07:26 PM

YM

“ My grandpa wasn't just my grandpa he was my dad to many of his grandkids no matter what the situation I could always look over my shoulder and see him there he was big on family he made me into the woman I am today without u old man I wouldn't had had the chance to experience what it meant to be part of a caring loving strong family I'm sofy I was self and wanted u hear so I wouldn't hurt but now I see I was just making u suffer I will always cherish and appreciate the 75 yes God blessed us with rest easy old man I love u like a circle cuz it Never ends til we meet again I will hold u close to my heart

Yvonne martinez - December 11, 2023 at 04:11 PM

VR

“ To my cousin Rosa and her daughters Kathy, Sonja and Patty my sincere condolences on your lost of your husband and father. Praying that the Lord will embrace you and comfort your in you time of sorrow. I wish I could be there but know I will be praying for all of you. Your cousin Virgie Ramirez



Virginia Ramirez - December 11, 2023 at 03:01 PM

AJ

“ Aurora Jimenez lit a candle in memory of Toribio Oropesa



Aurora Montez Jimenez - December 11, 2023 at 02:58 PM



“ *Delia Casillas lit a candle in memory of Toribio Oropesa*



Delia Casillas - December 11, 2023 at 12:53 PM