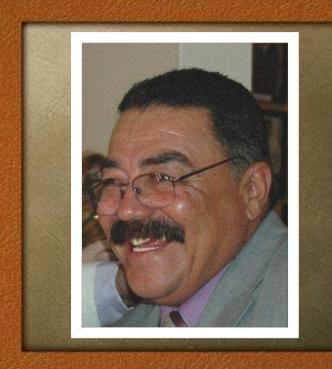
Memorial Book



In Loving Memory of

Richard Robert Rodriguez

(November 1, 1945 - July 18, 2007)



Don't think of him as gone away. For his journey has just begun. Just think of him resting from the sorrow and the tears. Think of him as living in the hearts of those he touched, for nothing loved is ever lost, and he was loved so much.

Susan

This memorial website was created to remember our dearest

Richard Robert Rodriguez

who was born in Los Angeles, California on

November 1, 1945

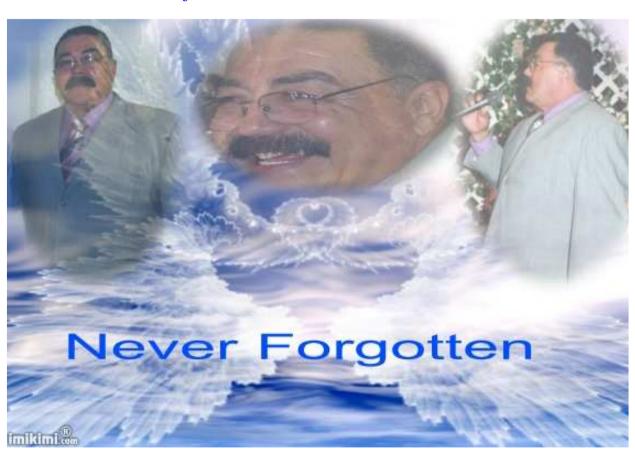
and passed away on

July 18, 2007.

I wish Heaven had a phone so I could hear your voice again. I thought of you today, but that is nothing new, I thought about you yesterday, and days before that too. I think of you in silence, I often speak your name. All I have are memories and a picture in a frame. Your memory is a keepsake, from which I'll never part.

God has you in His arms I have you in my heart

You will live forever in our memories and hearts.



God saw you getting tired and a cure was not to be, so He put His arms around you and whispered
"Come to Me"

With tearfull eyes we watched you, and saw you pass away

Although we loved you dearly, we could not make you stay

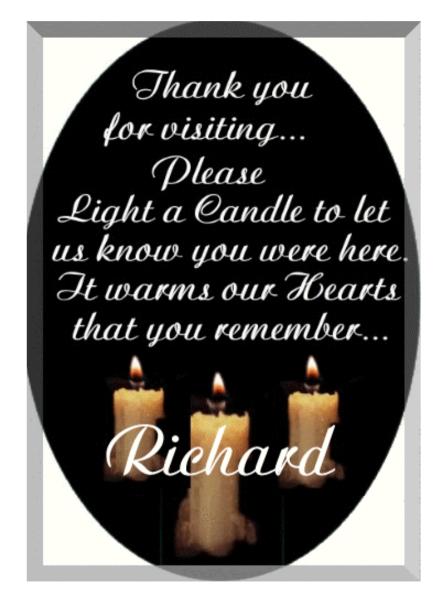
A golden heart stopped beating, hard working hands

at rest

God broke our hearts to prove to us

He only takes the best

Daddy I will never forget you,
You will always be in my heart



Note to visitors Please feel free to light a candle or write any memories or stories you have of my father. I would love to read your comments and stories. My father was loved by so many. Also contact me by email at anytime. Thank you and God Bless; o)

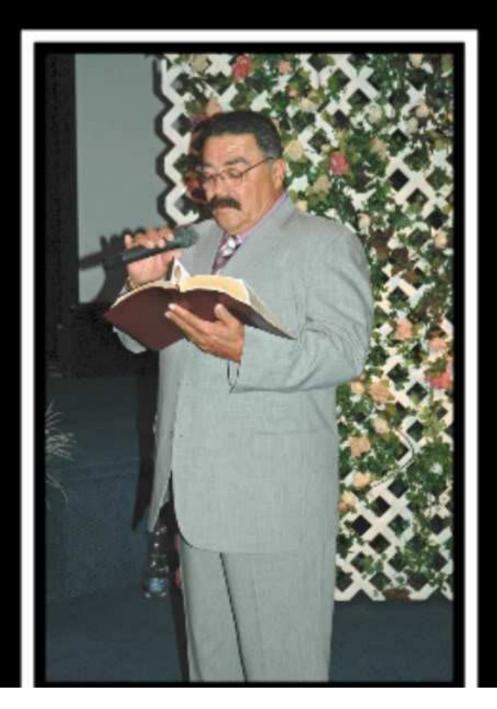












RICHARD

will forever live in our Hearts



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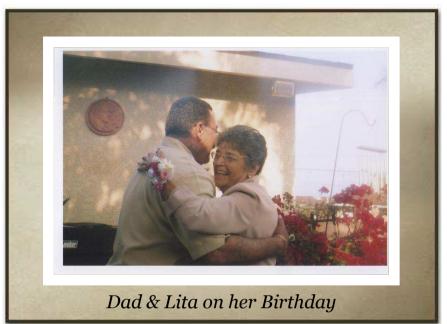
Missing someone isn't about how long it's been since you've seen them last, or the amount of time since you last talked. It's about that very moment when you're doing something and you wish that they were right there with you.

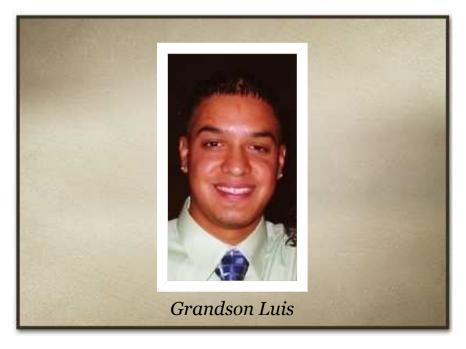
A million words would not bring you back, I know because I've tried. Neither would a million tears, I know because I've cried. I miss you Daddy

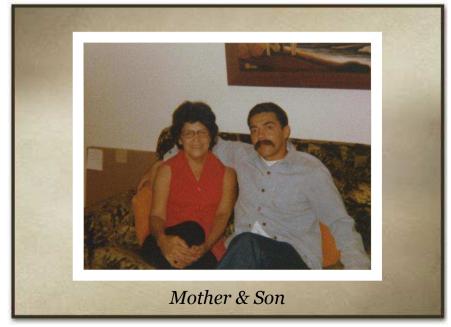
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so sweet, so unforgettable...



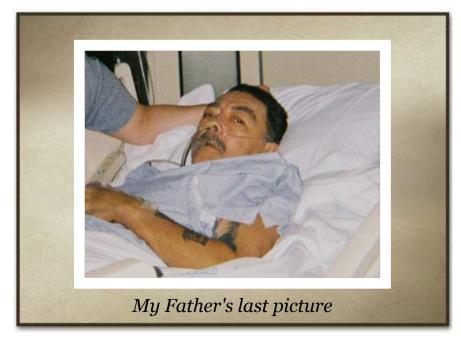










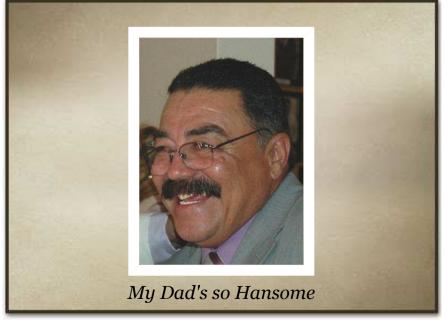


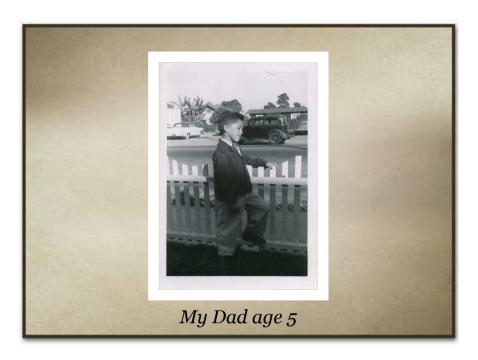


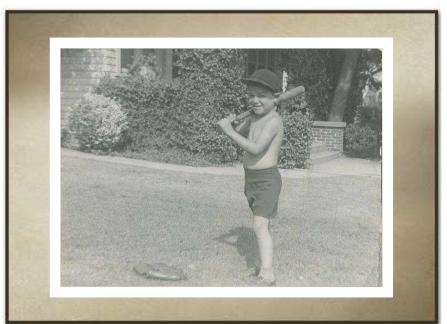










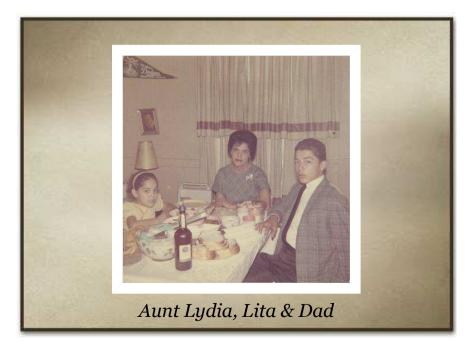






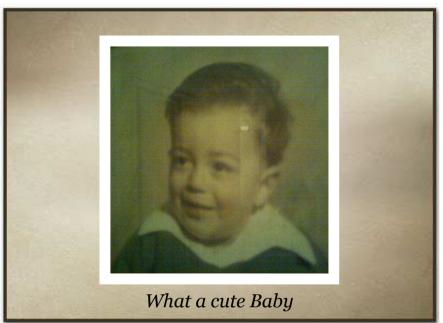




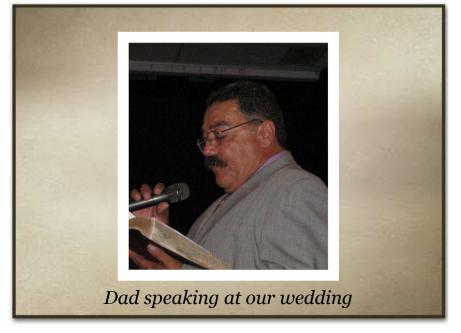






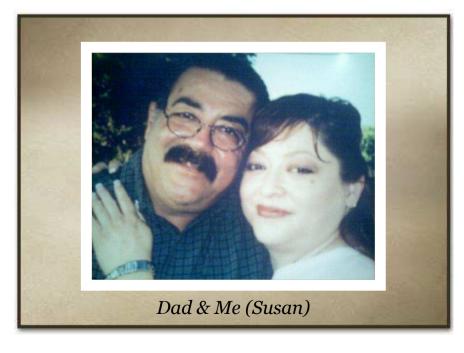


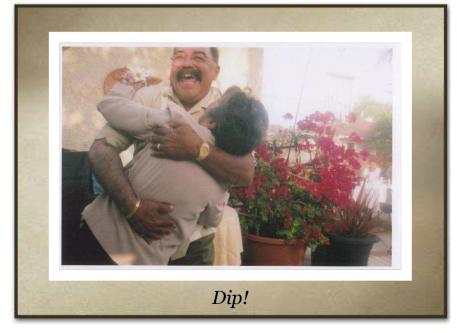


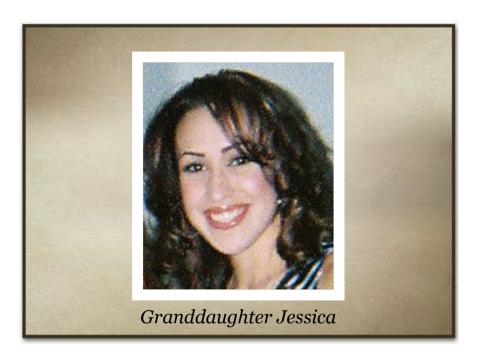


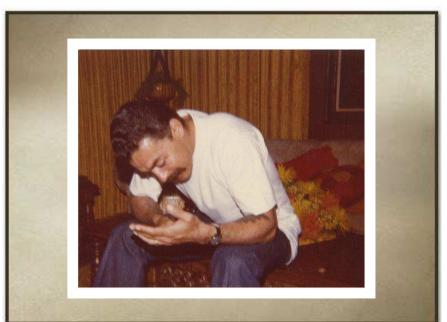




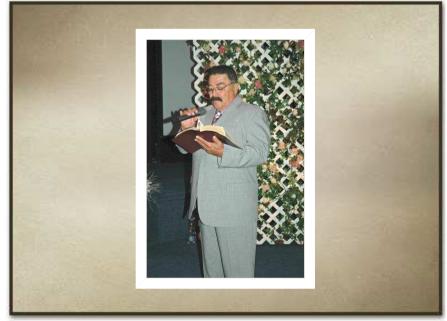




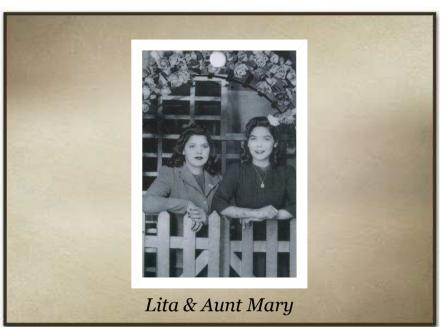






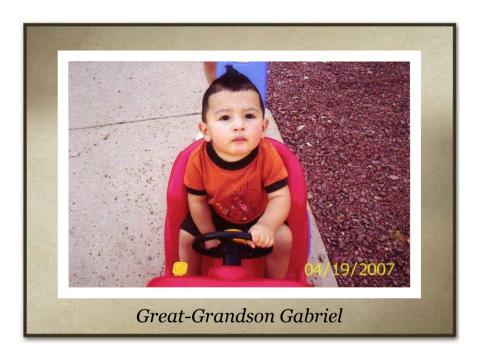


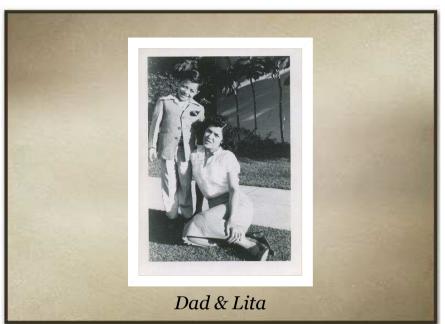




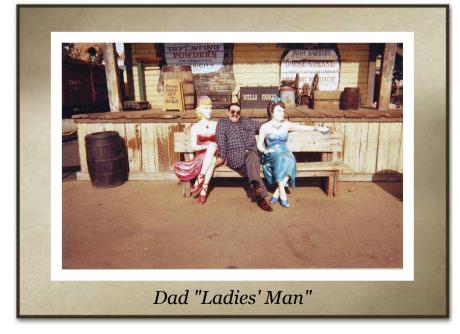






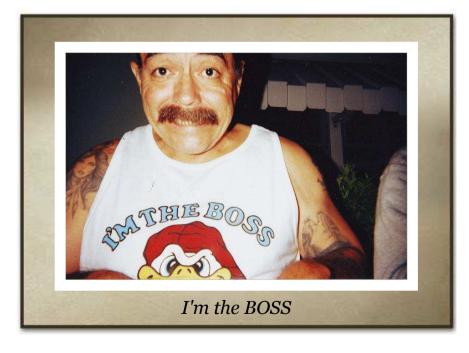


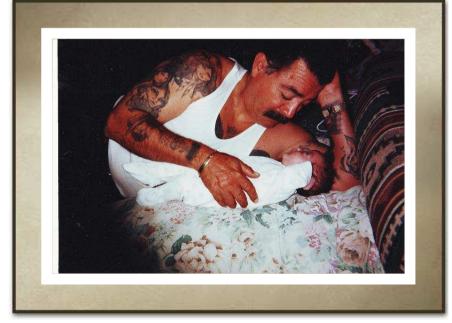


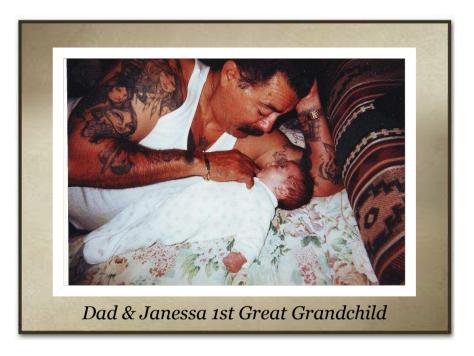


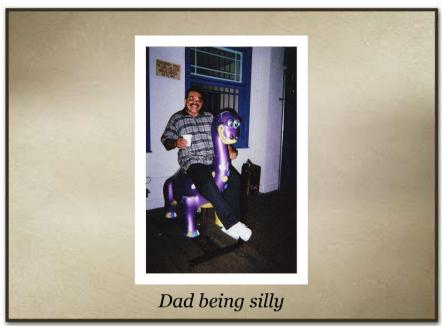




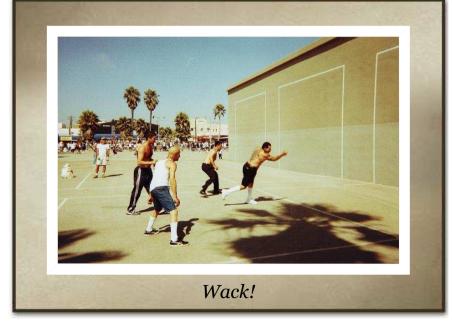












Memorial Candles

our words, your light...

06/04/2011

Your Daughter

Hi Daddy thinking of you missing you, it's never going to get easier is it Daddy? I miss you so much! ;o(03/19/2011

Susie

I LOVE YOU DADDY!

03/19/2011

Your Daughter

Hi My Angel, feeling a little sad it's Nana birthday, talked to Margret today it was good to hear her voice 02/15/2011

Your Daughter

Talked to Lita, she's doing great best thing ever to hear her laugh. love & miss you as always My Angel ^i^

02/12/2011

Pichie

Richard your mom's doing good. She talks about you and she is now living with Birdie. 11/01/2010

YOUR FAVORITE SON IN LAW

Miss you...and always thinking of you...wish i had you here to talk to.."happy birthday!!" and god bless! 11/01/2010

YourDaughter

Happy birthday daddy!!! i love you and miss you so much. keep flying high! my angel ^i^ 09/26/2010

Your Daughter

Just thinking of you, Missing you as always.

08/26/2010

MISSING YOU SO MUCH :O(

Daddy things are not good at all right now I'm trying to keep my faith, but how I wish you were here, I need you so much 07/22/2010

My Angel

Hello Daddy, still missing you so much! Wish I could talk to you just one more time. I'm so lonely and wish I had you here

05/15/2010

Your Daughter

Hello Daddy My OG Angel, just wanted to tell you I miss you so very much how I wish I could talk to you again. Fly with the Angels 05/09/2010

Birdie

I miss your presence, your laughter, and your silliness.
I love you!

04/15/2010

Your Daughter

Hi Daddy just wanted you to know I was thinking of you, love you always! keep flying my Angel ^i^ 03/19/2010

Thinking of You

Things are not going to well Daddy, how I wish you were here to lean on. I miss you so much. 01/05/2010

Your Daughter

Thinking about you, & missing you more & more each year. love you daddy! fly with the angels ^i^

12/20/2009

Valenzuela Family

You will always be remember and never forgotten.

12/01/2009

Amy~DIL of Allen Craig

When someone you love becomes a memory, the memory becomes a treasure. 11/27/2009

Happy Thanksgiving Daddy

Just wanted to tell you I love you and always thinking of you.

11/01/2009

Mom to Angel Melissa Platt

I light this candle in memory of your beloved Richard on his birthday, God Bless you... 11/01/2009

HAPPY BIRTHDAY DADDY !!!!!

Misssing you as Always Dad. Wishing you a Happy Birhtday! Keep flying my Angel !!! Love you always, Never Forgotten! ^i^

11/01/2009

Melissa Eiler

Happy Birthday Richard. May God forever Bless You & yours. 08/31/2009

Your Daughter

Missing you as always, wishing I could laugh with you one more time. I love you Daddy and will never forget you.

08/25/2009

mom 2 Waylon Kitchens

Away in the beautiful hills of God, By the Valley of rest so fair, Some day, we know not when, We will meet our loved one there. 07/30/2009

Pichie

God took you home 2 yrs ago, He sent me home 2 years ago. We have a real connection to celebrate life in the Lord, Pichie 07/23/2009

Steve & Natasha Valenzuela

We were thinking of you the other day looking at some pictures of that we found. Hard to believe its been two years.

07/22/2009

SUSAN

I can't believe it been two yrs since you got your wings. miss you so much daddy always thinking of you^i^

07/18/2009

Melissa Eiler (Visitor)

Thinking of you Richard on your Angel Date today. May God forever Bless You & yours.

07/18/2009

Mom to Angel Melissa Platt

I light this candle in memory of your beloved Richard on his Angel Day, God Bless you...

06/02/2009

Your Daughter

Hello Daddy just wanted to let you know I'm thinking of you & miss you so much! Love you my Angel 05/06/2009

Amy~Ken Clevinger/Allen Craig

When someone you love becomes a memory, that memory becomes a treasure. 03/15/2009

Missing You ^i^

Thinking of you, missing you. I'll see you and talk to you in my dreams. Love Ya Daddy 02/14/2009

Happy Valentine's Day My Angel

Hello Daddy, just wanted you to know that I'm thinking of you, love and miss you oh so much. God has continue to bless me

01/07/2009

YOUR DAUGHTER

Hello daddy missing you as always! just wanted to tell that god has answered my prayers! love & miss u very much 11/04/2008

your grandson vincent

Hello tata happy late birthday i miss you so much i only wish that we spent more time together but i love you miss you lots!! 11/04/2008

ANGEL BRITTANY SYFERT'S GRMA

Precious angel u are remembered everyday & everynight, for the memories that we once shared forever live within my heart.

11/02/2008

Palmira

Happy Belated Birthday.
The only comfort is knowing
that someday we will all be
reunited. Happy Heavenly
Birthday.

11/02/2008

ANGEL BRITTANY SYFERT'S GRMA

Richard, Wishing u a very Heavenly Birthday, sending lots of love to u & ur loving family. You are so loved & missed.

11/01/2008

Mom

Mijo, Happy Birthday, I love you with all my heart and you will always be my precious treasure. I miss you so very much.

11/01/2008

Dessa Smith

Happy Birthday Richard holding you and your family close to my heart and in my prayers. Joseph's mom

11/01/2008

Your Daughter

Happy Birthdy! Daddy! I love u & miss u so much! Thank you for all the joy & happiness you've brought to my heart

11/01/2008

Edwina - Troy Mitchell's mum.

Sending birthday Hugs to you dear Richard. Wishing your family a gentle day filled with beautiful memories of you.

10/31/2008

Pichie

Another birthday? Boy I'm catching up with ya' Happy Birthday! You are missed. You have so many more to come!!

10/31/2008

Antonette Baca

Richard, wishing you a very happy birthday! Thank you for bringing Susan into my life. She is a reflection of you! God Bless

10/31/2008

Manuel & Bernadette Hernanadez

Happy birthday! richard w wish you were here with us to celebrate your birthday your in a much better place. bless you

10/31/2008

Anthony SR

Richard you are always in our thoughts as well as in our hearts! You are truly missed! Luv you!!

10/23/2008

Pichie

Thanks for the life memories. I remember them and then I laugh, it sure feels good too. Bless you, you're with the Father.

10/22/2008

Your Daughter

Hi Daddy just a few words to say I love you, and I miss you very much. I changed you page, hope you like it. xoxo

10/15/2008

Your Daughter

Hi Daddy Great news! The Good Lord answered my prayers. I talked to Vanessa and Vincent, it felt so good to hear their voices. 09/28/2008

Your Daughter

Thinking of you as always my Angel. Love you and miss you so much Daddy. You're always in my heart. ^i^ 09/06/2008

Amy~DIL of Allen Craig

May loving memories ease the pain of your heart. Thinking of you sweet Angel. 08/19/2008

Your Daughter

Just wanted to stop by and let you know I'm always thinking of you and missing oh so much. I see you in my dreams Daddy 07/21/2008

Manuel & Bernadette Hernanadez

Richared we light this candle for you. We hope it shines as bright as your smile. May God Bless your family.

07/21/2008

THE FERMIN FAMILY

Just wanted to say that you are very much missed and that your wonderful daughter reveals that you were a special dad.

07/19/2008

Veronica Garcia

God needed one more angel in heaven, one very special angel to watch constantly over you. GOD BLESS. Veronica Garcia 07/18/2008

Pichie

Richard, God is love. You have been with Him one year, and I've been home one year. You are missed dearly. Pichie 07/18/2008

Anna Federico

May GOD Bless your family Always.

07/18/2008

Palmira aka "Shorty"

I know that my mom and your day miss us all here on earth. But they will always be watching over us.

07/18/2008

Delores

Richard I continue to seek the word and serve the Lord with the Bible that you blessed me with. Always Remebered by me. 07/18/2008

Steve & Natasha Valenzuela

Richard you are missed very much you will always be in our thoughts and prayers. 07/18/2008

Your Son In Law, Anthony

Just wanted to tell you that we miss you so much! & to let you know that i am taking care of your lil princess susan.Luv U!! 07/18/2008

Your Daughter

Hi Daddy Happy Anniversary My Angel. I could see your beautiful face smiling down at me. Keep flying high my Angel. I love you!!! 07/18/2008

Dessa Smith

Richard I light this candle in your memory with much love sent to you and your precious family. Joseph's mom 06/13/2008

Your Daughter

Happy Father's Day
Daddy!!!! God how I wish
you were here so I could tell
you how much I love you
and miss you so

04/30/2008

Your Daughter

Hello Daddy, My Angel. Just wanted to send you my love. I miss you so much Dad! Will my heart ever mend? I love you Daddy ^i^

04/28/2008

Amy~dtr of Kenneth & Allen

My thoughts and prayers to a special Angel in Heaven. All my love to your family who miss you so much! 04/05/2008

Your Daughter

Hi Daddy just thinking of, as always. Missing you more each day. I see you clearly in my dreams. Keep flying high my Angel 03/11/2008

Amy~DIL of Allen Craig

My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

02/15/2008

Your Daughter

Thought about you all day today so did Anthony. miss you more then ever Daddy, my angel. keep flying high love you always xoxo

01/28/2008

Manuel & Bernadette Hernanadez

Happy new year!! richard justing thinking about your big smile. and how much we all miss you.fly high with the angels.

01/18/2008

Your Daughter

Missing you as always
Daddy, if only I could hold
you and tell how much I love
you more more time. miss
you always my angel

01/03/2008

Your Daughter

Hello Daddy, just stopping bye to tell you I love you and miss you so much. Keep flying high Daddy My Angel 01/01/2008

Happy New Years!!!

Missing you as always Dad! Hoping & praying the New Year bring our Family many blessings. Keep flying high my Angel. Love U! 12/24/2007

Merry Christmas Mijo

I miss you very much, Mijo. God Bless You.. 12/24/2007

Your Daughter

Merry Christmas Daddy! Such a joyful day, the day our Savior was born. Keep flying my Angel love and miss you more & more 12/11/2007

Your Daughter

My heart still aches in sadness & my tears still flow. What it meant to lose you Only God will ever know.Miss you Daddy!!! 12/05/2007

Christmas

Sorry we were not as close as most families. But you are loved and always will be in our hearts and prayers

11/21/2007

Happy Thanksgiving Daddy!!!

Missing you as always Dad, I'm so thankful that you are in heaven with Our Heavenly Father looking down at me. Love you always 11/06/2007

MANUEL & BERNADETTE HERNANDEZ

Happy Birthday Richard!! We Miss You Very Much. 11/05/2007

Your Daughter

Your presence I miss, Your memory I treasure. Loving you always, Forgetting you never. Love you, Daddy! 11/03/2007

Darlene Picaso

I will miss you Richard. Happy Belated Birthday thanks for all the laughs...

11/02/2007

Maria^j^mum 2 Pieta, Amore,

Cara & Teressa ~ Happy heavenly birthday angel. xxxxxxxxx 11/01/2007

Anthony Hernandez Sr.

When i needed advise you told me"Trust in god,He will never fail you"I miss your laugh & smile,"Happy Birthday! 11/01/2007

THE FERMIN FAMILY

May god watch over you and your precious daughter always, happy birthday!!!

11/01/2007

Anthony Hernandez Jr.

Happy Birthday!!!

11/01/2007

Delores

Happy Birthday Richard!
Our family will always keep
you alive in the memories we
had the opportuntiy to share
with you.

11/01/2007

Bertha Valenzuela

Happy Birthday Cousin we miss you.

11/01/2007

Steve & Natasha Valenzuela

Happy Birthday Richard we miss you...

11/01/2007

Mom

Happy Birthday Mijo! I love you with all my heart

11/01/2007

Your Daughter

Happy birthday daddy!!! i love you and miss you so much

10/16/2007

Your Daughter

Just thinking of you. It's been almost 3 mos & I miss you more then ever.

09/20/2007

Ruby

Susan I will keep you and your family in my prays.

God Bless

09/20/2007

Naomi Compton

I didn't know you for very long. I always remember you happiness and your laugh. And how you were a good & loving son.

09/20/2007

Mom

Your are my teasure & my hero. I love and miss you so much, Mijo

09/20/2007

Your Daughter

Just thinking of you as always. Changed the song today. When I close my eyes I can see you flying among the Angels.luv&miss u

09/10/2007

Your daughter, Susan

^i^ ^i^ Hi Daddy, Just thinking of you as always. I miss you so much. I feel you with me, fly with the Angels ^i^ ^i^^i^

08/28/2007

Susan

It's now been 41 day since Our Father God took you home. And I miss you more and more each day. Love you Daddy. 08/22/2007

Charles Ian Gray's Mom

My sincerest condolence. May your loved one rest in heavenly peace and be the light that guides you through life. God bless! 08/10/2007

Bro Lito & Delia

It was an honor to meet you Richard, and an honor for God to receive you. Thank you for being you. 08/05/2007

Mary Hernandez

Brother in the Lord.Richard
I wanted thank you for you
love & joy you gave us.You'll
be missed.We'll see you in
heaven

08/03/2007

Olivia Zaragoza

Your blessed. We were Rock n' Roll kids, but we found the Lord. Now in Peace, you rock with the Lord. Pichie.

08/01/2007

Steve & Natasha Valenzuela

Richard you will always be in our prayers. We will never forget you. You always knew how to make us laugh. God Bless You. 08/01/2007

Mark & Antonette Castaneda

May your smile shine upon us & shower us with your strength. You're blessed to be with our Father in Heaven.

07/26/2007

Your Daughter, Susan

Daddy is been 8 days since the Lord took you home. I miss you so much.Help me Daddy to ease the pain I feel in my heart 07/25/2007

THE FERMIN FAMILY

There is another special angel in heaven and that angel will always be with his child......god bless...

07/25/2007

RICK MORALES

His spirit will always be in our hearts love u and god bless 07/24/2007

Anthony Sr.

Thx for being there when i needed someone to talk to.You never judged me,but loved me and shared God's grace,i will miss you! 07/24/2007

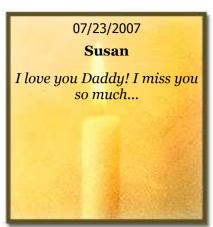
Hernandez Family

We will miss your smile,

07/24/2007

Manuel & Bernadette Hernandez

He will be missed,



Condolences

from the deepest of our hearts...

Daddy I know you are looking down at me right now with that beautiful smile of yours. And God knows how my heart is aches, I miss you so much, I need you right now, how I wish I could hear you voice how I wish I could share my heartache with you. I'm so alone Dad, I feel I have no one to talk to, Mom's gone, Nana gone I'm here missing you all so much. I miss hearing your kind and wise words to get my though a difficult day, especially today. I will dream of you tonight Daddy, Lord please carry me thought this storm. I love you Daddy with all my heart. Keep flying with the Angels, my Beautiful Angel

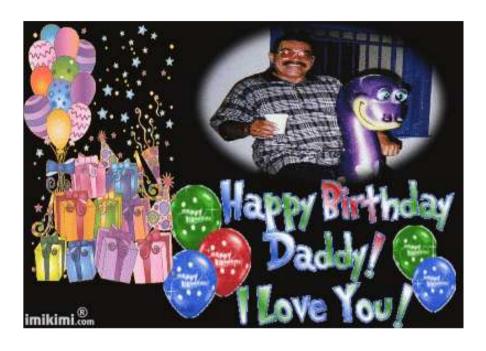
Pichie

MEMORIES ARE GOOD

August 25, 2010

Richard another birthday and I am sure you haven't changed one iota! Just being funny here. Just keep singing the beautiful songs, dancing the heavenly steps of our Heavenly Father, forever. I know I have a blessed partner to dance with and my dance card won't be empty, when I go home to be my Father too. I listen to contemporary Christian music just to keep up with the different music styles that God is blessing and keeping my toes tapping. I'll be ready for the big Heavenly dancing and foot stomping hee haw. We'll show the Angels how Christians will be happy, dance and sing praises to the Lord. Birdie and I still talk and laugh about times when you were around, things you did and said. Good times. We think of Richard and you can hear the music and remember him dancing. Again, it is a little late but Happy Birthday to you!!!!! I'll be back again, another memory and another Happy Birthday!!! Susie my prayers are with you and you only, God will carry you through all you have to go through without your father. Let Gods' precious hands comfort your aching heart and dry your greaving tears. God bless you always and keep looking up. Pichie

Happy Birthday Daddy



Pichie

Memories of Dad

July 30, 2009

Susie we'll always miss our loved ones who have gone to be with the Lord, but the good thing is that they leave us with many memories of them. Just keep talking about your dad, the things you had with your dad and you'll always have him there in your heart. I know because that is what helps me with the sad feelings that hit me and the sudden floods of tears that come in droves, when and as I least expect it. Keep your dad in mind and share your heart secrets with him, talk like he is there listening to you, nothing wrong with all

that. It helps very much to keep that special bind with your dad. Share it all with your children and grandchildren too.

Please contact me or Bertha, we have some more memories (pics) of your dad that you might want to have. God bless you always, Pichie

Your Daughter

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

November 1, 2008







HAPPY BIRTHDAY DADDY!!!! LOVE & MISS YOU SO MUCH! GIVE FLYING HIGH ^i^

Your Daughter

Happy Father's Day Daddy

June 13, 2008



Amy~dtr of Allen & Kenneth

Happy Father's Day Richard

June 12, 2008

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Olivia Zaragoza

Is there a Rock n' Roll Heaven?

August 4, 2007

My answer to the title question is YES. Richard had lots of charisma, listened to what you had to say and gave you a good laugh with all of his funny stories. He could really dance up a storm as a kid not to mention he loved to sing too. I remember the times of him singing a song or doing a new dance step with me, when I hear oldies on the radio. Remember him always keep him alive in your heart. Please cry for your loss, lighten your heart, it is a much needed relief. The day Richard answered the Lords' call, it overjoyed his loving and faithful, praying mother. So beautiful to witness answer to prayer. Now Richard is dancing to the Lord's beautiful music and singing His beautiful songs. He is at peace in his new body, just like God promised. He'll be greatly missed by many. One day we'll reunite with Richard again.

My prayers are with you Susie.

Love, Pichie

Marilyn and CArlos

Be sad no more

July 25, 2007

Susan and Family:

You have no idea how much you have been in our hearts theese days. We have been praying for you. You where very blessed to have your father as a mentor and a close person here in earth. He loved God. When sad just think about how happy he must be in heaven right now as he sees all that he ever dreamed of!

Be sad no more...for the promise of our God is that you will soon see him again!

Be blessed!

BERNADETTE

MEMORY

July 24, 2007

SUSAN,

THE HERNANDEZ FAMILY SENDS OUR WARMEST CONDOLENCE TO YOU & YOUR FAMILY.

HE IS WITH GOD KNOW. HE IS AT PEACE.

I REMEMBER THE TIME I DID GET TO KNOW YOUR FATHER HE ALWAYS HAD A SMILE ON HIS FACE NO MATTER WHAT.HE WAS ALWAYS CRACKING JOKES

MAKING US LAUGH. WE WILL MISS HIM.

SUSAN YOUR IN OUR PRAYERS ALWAYS,

WITH ALL OUR LOVE,

MANUEL & BERNADETTE HERNANADEZ

Memories

all the gray you turned into colors...

Your Daughter



One of my fond memories of my Dad is no matter what he was going though, he could always put a smile on your face. Just days before my father passed, while in the hospital he had many vistors, and his spirit was good joking making everyone laugh. I could see that my dad was very tired and in pain, but no matter how bad he was feeling, and even how hard it was for him to talk, he made sure you understood what he was trying to say. One of my Dad's nurse came in to check his vitials and he had asked he if she was coming in to dance with him. She looked puzzled at first and she asked him, "you want me to dance with you?" my replied "Yeah!!! dance

with me! Shake your booty!" The nurse started to laugh and she actually started shaking her booty! lol! and while she danced my dad cheered her on. I miss him so much.

Susan



Broken Hearted

It broke our hearts to lose you,

But you did not go alone

For part of us went with you

The day God called you home

Susan



My Angel

Those we love don't go away

They walk beside us every day

Unseen, unheard, but always near

Still loved, still missed and very dear

Susan



A Poem for my Dad

If Roses grew in Heaven,

Lord please pick a bunch for me

Place them in my father's arms

and tell him they're from me

Tell him I love him and
miss him very much
And when he turns to smile
Place a kiss upon his cheek
And hold him for awhile
Because remembering him is easy,

I do it every day

But there's an ache within my heart,

Because I am missing him today

Pichie

Dear Richard:

I miss the fun you always projected, you made an impact. So

Happy birthday to you, happy birthday to you

Today is your birthday

you're in Heaven with the Lord

and it's the perfect place to be.

Happy birthday to you on this the "62nd"

but God has many more for you.

Love, Pichie

Susan

My father was very close to his mother Charlotte (Lita). My grandmother shared many stories of my father. My father loved my grandmother dearly, and now that he is gone it been very hard for my



grandmother. She catches yourself sometime waiting for him to visit her or call her, as he ofter did. My grandmother share a prayer that my father has given to her.

A Mother's Day Prayer

"Our Father in Heaven"

Whose life is divine,

Thanks for the love

Of a Mother like mine

And in, Thy Great Mercy

Look down from above

And grant the dear mother

The give of Your love

And all through the year,

Whatever betide her,

Assure her each day

That You are beside her

And, Father in Heaven,

Show me the way

To Lighten her tasks

And brighten her day,

And bless her dear heart

With the insight to see

That her love means more

Than the world to me

Susan

One of my fond memories about my Dad is when he came to visit me and my family. We all went to dinner and while having dinner My eldest son Chango was talking about track and telling his Tata how fast he can run. Well.....being the person my Dad was. LOL! My Dad was kind of a bragger in a good way of course. Always craking jokes. He told his grandson that he bet he could run faster then him. Of course my son, taking after his Tata took on the bet. After we exited the resturant my Dad and my Son waited at the cross walk for the light to turn green. Once it turned green they were off!!!! Racing across the street down the sidewalk their were at neck to neck my Dad being in his fifties kept up with his fifteen year old grandson. Then all of a sudden you see my Dad flying and then slamming into the sidewalk. My son yelled "Tata!!! are you okay!!!" We all ran over to my Dad and there he was lying on the sidewalk laughing, laughing so bad he could'nt speak. We all laughed so hard, thinking back on how he looked. He looked like a cartoon flying in air. When he got up he noticed that his dickie pants were torn and his stacy adams were marked up... Then he got this serious look on his face and told Chango "Damm Chango why did you have to push me? You can't be a sore looser." We all starting laughing. Of course we all knew that Chango didn't push, he slipped, can't run when you have stacy's on. My son told his Tata, "Okay Tata you win". I missed my Dad so much.

Life Story

every hour, every thought, every smile...

November 1, 1945

Born in East Los Angeles, CA on November 1, 1945.

July 18, 2007

Passed away on July 18, 2007.

July 25, 2007



Where do I start, when it comes to telling my Dad's life story....
My Dad was born on November 1, 1945 he was the first born
child to Robert and Charlotte Rodriguez. Then, my Dad was
blessed with a baby sister name Lydia, they both were very close.
My father and mother Yolanda met at a very young age and
when my father was 19 years of age he became a loving, caring

and wonderful father to his only child Susan. My father loved children, he was blessed with four grandchildren Jessica, Vanessa, Luis and Vincent and eight great-grandchildren, Janessa, Elisa, Gabriel, Natalie, Ariela, Tristen, Luciano and Frankie Jr. My father was a proud uncle to his newphew Richard, son of my Dad's sister Lydia. My aunt Lydia named her son after her brother. My father experienced many ups and downs in his life, but no matter what he was going though he always had a loving and caring heart. He brought many people to the Lord, that was one of the many things he was so proud of, he truly loved the Lord. My father was known by many

people, he was the kind of man that was so easy to talk to, a person that you could share any thoughts and you knew he was listening. His words would give you such calmness to your heart and soul. As for myself, the hardest thing for me is not being able to pick up the phone and call my Daddy. I would call him everytime I had a problem and he would always get me though. When I would have had a great day, I would call him and share my day with him. I always knew that no matter what, he was going to cheer me up and make me laugh. Many of his friends and other family members felt the same. I thank God every day that I was able to spend the last days of my Father's life with him. Even in his last days on earth he was able to make his loved ones laugh, he would also make the nurses who cared for him laugh. He was amazing!!!! On the early morning of July 18, 2007 about 4:10 a.m. my Father made his journey to join his heavenly Father. At the time of his passing I was alone with him, I could not leave his side. My Dad passed very peacefully, I will always thank God for that blessing. I remember speaking with the nurse who told me that he was leaving us. I looked into my Dad's eyes as he took his last breathe, slowing closing his eyes. His last breathe was as he had a sigh of relief as he took the Lord's hands. It felt so strange... I wanted to scream and beg my Lord to bring him back. At first I thought I would lose my mind with anger, with hurt for I love my Dad so much and I knew this heartache would have a big change in my life. I wanted to hold on to my Dad's hand forever. But, I couldn't for I knew my Dad was at peace and he would no longer feel any pain, he was where he wanted to be and the Lord put happiness in my heart. I asked the nurse to help me clean my Dad and remove all the tubes his had connected to him. My Grandmother was on

her way and I wanted my Dad to look peacefully and joyfull, and he did.... I cleaned my Dad face and combed his hair. Gave him many kisses and told him I loved him and would never, ever forget him. Other loved ones came to say their goodbyes. Now that I'm home it has gotten harder to get though the day, I've caught myself many times picking up the phone to call my Dad realizing he no longer here with us, and I try to hold back the tears but I fail to, as I feel them steaming down my face. I close my eyes and can see my Dad in heaven looking down at me and seeing his beautiful smile, and at that moment I feel at ease. I am so glad that I'm able to share my Dad's story with you. My Father may be gone but he will never be forgotten.

In Memory of a Loving... Son, Father, Brother, Husband, Uncle, Grandfather, Great-Grandfather and Friend who will be greatly missed.

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