



Edward Jay Garcia

August 7, 1957 - April 17, 2023

St. George, UT – Edward Jay Garcia “Seaweed” passed away in his home surrounded by loved ones on April 17, 2023. He was born August 1957, in Salt Lake City, UT to Edith V. Simpson and Edward “Sonny” Garcia. Ed married Tina Maestas Garcia in St. George, UT on December 4, 2022.

Ed attended Granite High in Salt Lake City, UT, and had many close friends from his early years. Ed was a wonderful, devoted father and enjoyed spending time with family and friends. He had a personality that brought people together and a smile that would light up the room. Ed was an excellent judge of character and built strong, lasting, and valuable relationships with those he trusted. Although he was very stubborn and opinionated, Ed was a genuine spirit, and those who got to know him were drawn to his energy and the smile in his eyes. Children loved his presence and would always want to spend time with him.

Music was a big part of Ed’s life; he enjoyed seeing live shows. He attended hundreds of concerts, his first being at age nine. He truly connected with rock and roll, classic rock and country. When an old-time favorite came on the radio, Ed would turn up the volume, roll down the window and let his long hair blow in the wind.

Ed loved dancing and spending time at the casinos. He was fortunate and took home many winnings from Wendover and Mesquite. Ed hit a major

jackpot and found Tina, the love of his life. They had an instant connection and have experienced a love unlike any other. Ed lived life to the fullest and loved to laugh, celebrate life, visit with family, and travel.

Ed spent substantial time outdoors hunting, fishing and connecting with the wilderness. He spent many days, weeks and months in the Uintah Mountains enjoying nature, surveying the land, tracking wild game and providing food for his family.

If you were looking for a bargain, you could always find a good deal at one of Ed's many yard sales. He was an impressive acquisitionist; some may say "hoarder" and a collector of many things. Ed spent a lifetime salvaging, thrifting, and refurbishing items to resell later or use.

Ed is survived by spouse, Tina Maestas Garcia; children – grandchildren, Nicholas Garcia (Lisa) – Taylor, Khristian, Jayda, Kasey, Josie, Kloie of St. George, UT, April O'Shields (Trent) – Tegan, Blake of Denver, CO, Wendy Gibson (Max) – Alta of Sandy, UT, Trevor Eaton (Megan) – and children of St. George, UT, Adam Eaton (Sheena) – Ellie, Paisley, Corbin, Tristan, Beckett of St. George, UT, Ryan Eaton (Chelsey) – Sophie, Scarlett, Audrey, Maverick of Syracuse, UT; and sister Betty Lynn Burton.

Ed was preceded in death by his Mother Edith V. Simpson, brother George E. Morris and stepbrother Lenny Pace.

The family would like to thank Zion's Way for their kind and passionate care, especially his nurse Michelle and therapist Channing.

Memorial will be held on Saturday, April 29 at 11:00 AM MT at Serenity Funeral Home 1316 S. 400 E. St. George, UT 84790. A later graveside service will be held in Salt Lake City, UT at Redwood Memorial Gardens

followed by a celebration of life (date and time to be determined).

Family and friends are invited to share tributes online at www.SerenityStG.com.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

APR **29**. 11:00 AM (MT)

Serenity Funeral Home
1316 South 400 East A-5
Saint George, UT 84790
<http://www.serenitystg.com>

Tribute Wall



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Edward Jay Garcia.*



April 28, 2023 at 03:00 PM



“ *Gilbert Manning lit a candle in memory of Edward Jay Garcia*



Gilbert Manning - April 25, 2023 at 10:05 AM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Betty Lynn - April 21, 2023 at 11:00 PM

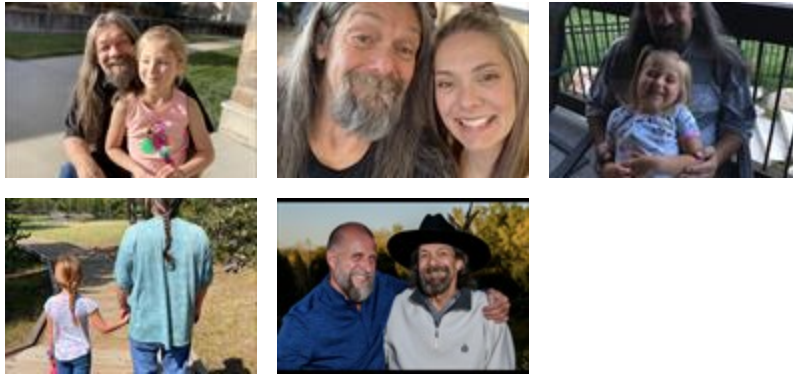


“ *To my big brother how I miss you going to eat Mexican food and yard sale but most of all I miss calling you just now that I Love you with all my heart and soul love you big little brother*

Betty Lynn - April 21, 2023 at 10:59 PM

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“Alta, Max and I will miss you so much. Ed you made all of us feel so much love and I will miss your weekend visits tremendously. New Year’s Eve celebrations will never be the same - that is a tradition I came to look forward to. Christmas will never be the same either and I will miss your fruit salad on Thanksgiving. I will be sure to make your fruit salad every year. Thank you for being an amazing step-dad, I could always count on you for love, support, and being a wonderful grandparent to Alta.



Wendy Gibson - April 20, 2023 at 05:36 PM

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“Eddie you will be missed! Your smile I will never forget. You always greeted me with a HUGE smile. And Said Hi Nat. You were a huge part of my childhood. I will miss you very much. R.I.P. Tell my Mom and Pat hi for me. Love you

Natalie Cervantes - April 20, 2023 at 12:55 PM