



Rudy Roy Medina

February 23, 1947 - September 4, 2014

Rudy R. Medina of St. George, UT, passed away from this world to a better one on Thursday, September 4, 2014, at the age of 67. Rudy passed peacefully in his sleep at his home, surrounded by his loved ones. His family and friends were everything to him and he did not want to leave us. He beat the odds and surprised the doctors for living as long as he had with Cancer. He also continued to work through this long hard battle. He fought a good fight.

Rudy was born to Matias and Laura Medina February 23, 1947, in Santa Maria, CA. Rudy spent his youth in California. He served in The United States Marine Corps, thereafter he married the love of his life Janet G. Rathbun July 2, 1978, then was sealed for time and eternity in the Oakland Temple. Rudy was devoted to all his family. He loved animals especially riding his horse Cory, sports, cars, music, fishing, camping, rodeos and the beach. He felt great joy in having his children and grandchildren near him.

Rudy worked in the Automobile Industry for 41 years, the last 20 years were spent with Stephen Wade Auto where he was greatly respected and loved by fellow employees and acquired a vast amount of loyal customers who also become his friends.

Rudy converted to the LDS religion 22 years ago and had many callings in the

Church. Rudy was a person who people went to for council and support. He was willing to give of his time and his means when necessary to help those in need.

Rudy is survived by: his wife Janet; 5 children Linda Marshall, Melissa (Geoffrey) Pena, Monique (Ethan) Reinsch-Brian, Phillip Matthew (Marisol) Medina, Daniel Rudy (Erika) Medina all of St. George, UT; 6 grandchildren, Chance, Maya, Porsche, Sophie, Joshua and Tyce; siblings, Mary Lou, Sarah Navarro, Jane Aller, JoAnn Lemus, Mildred (Ed) Finney, James (Connie) Medina, George (Carol) Medina, all of California. He was preceded in death by: his parents, siblings, Lorencita, Joe, and David.

Rudy went about life with a good smile on his face, had a great sense of humor he asked that we all celebrate his life. He knew he would see us again...

Funeral services will be held Saturday, September 13, 2014, at 1:00 p.m. at the Red Cliffs 5th Ward Chapel, 1285 N. Bluff Street, St. George, UT. A visitation will be held Friday the 12th from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. and again on Saturday from 11:30 to 12:30, both at the chapel. Interment with military honors will follow the service at the Tonaquint Cemetery.

Friends and family are invited to share condolences online at www.SerenityStG.com Arrangements are under the direction of Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah, 986-2085.

Cemetery Details

Tonaquint Cemetery

1777 S. Dixie Drive
Saint George, UT 84770

Previous Events

Viewing

SEP **12**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (MT)

Red Cliffs 5th Ward
1285 N. Bluff
St. George, UT

Viewing

SEP **13**. 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM (MT)

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Service

SEP **13**. 1:00 PM (MT)

Red Cliffs 5th Ward
1285 N. Bluff
St. George, UT

Tribute Wall

JT

“ I've known the Rudawg for literally my entire life. Our father's were close friends back in the Bay Area since before I was born. His son Danny and I have been best friends since childhood. Our father's worked together at Don Signer Buick in the Bay Area, later my dad moved us out to St. George Utah. He had talked Rudy into moving to the St. George area to raise his kids, so they did, and that's when I first met Danny. They worked together for many years at Stephen Wade. Rudy was an amazing father and provider for his family. I have many memories with our families going on cookouts and camping trips, and spending holidays together. One memory that stands out is when Danny and I were little kids, around Halloween time, Rudy had talked me and Danny into walking through the Haunted Forest. It was supposed to be one of the scariest Halloween experiences in the region. We were really scared to do it, but Rudy had talked Dan and I into walking through. So he joined along with us, coaxing us and making fun of us the way through. About ten minutes into the walk-through, there was two girls sitting by a campfire telling us to go sit by them and enjoy the fire. We sit down, and next thing we know we here a chainsaw and a man in a hockey mask comes running out from behind the trees and chases us around the campfire, literally in circles around the fire. We here the sound of the chainsaw while yelling at the tops of our lungs and Rudy's laughter in the background watching the whole thing unfold. After that we chickened out and went back to the car, didn't even bother going through the rest of the forest. On the truck ride back to Danny's house, we were bawling our eyes out scared to death. Rudy had tears in his eyes too, but not from crying, from laughing so hard at the scene he witnessed that night! We didn't hear the end of it! So many great memories with the Medina family and Rudy. He will be missed greatly.

Rudy, Descanse en paz mi amigo. Te amamos mucho. Sabemos que estas en el cielo con el Señor en este momento, mirando pa nosotros.

Sinceremente,

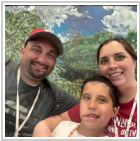
Jonathan Thomas

Jonathan Thomas - September 15, 2014 at 11:37 AM

DB

“ *We are really going to miss you Rudy! You have been a blessing in our lives. Even when you were struggling with sickness you had the ability to make others feel uplifted. Rudy will always hold a special place in our hearts and in our memories. We are better people because we had the opportunity to know and associate with you. Dear family, you are in our prayers and thoughts at this difficult time. May the Lord bless you with his peace and comfort. Sincerely, R. Daren and RaeBeth Barney*

Daren Barney - September 12, 2014 at 07:20 PM



“ *Deepest sympathies at this time. We enjoyed going and seeing Rudy at Stephen Wade. He was always a joy to be around. He will always be remembered as being a person you want to be surrounded by.*

Kay and Dixie Prisbrey (and girls)

Janet Day - September 10, 2014 at 04:52 PM

MJ

“*Hi Moie*” that was his greeting to me every time he came through the door at the Chev/Cadi dealership, gosh I sure am going to miss that. Rudy you have and always will be one of my dearest friends. Surley as life begins, it must end, however, your new life has just begun. “When God sends forth a tiny soul to learn the ways of of earth a Mother’s life is waiting here, this wonder is called birth. When God calls home a tired soul and stills the fleeting breath, a Father’s love is waiting there, this wonder to is birth not death.” Rudy may you forever dwell in the presence of our Father in Heaven. The many tears that have been shed are for you, your dear family and friends. “Death leaves a heartache no one can heal, a MEMORY no one can steal” love you and yours and “thank you for the memories”
A friend for ever
Mo

Maureen Jones - September 10, 2014 at 09:39 AM

JT

We will miss Rudy so much! He has been our "go to" man at Stephen Wade for a long time. He was honest, thorough and dependable. We bought our car through Rudy 3 months ago. He talked openly about his cancer and his determination to beat it. He also talked about the odds being stacked against him. He had such a kind heart and good soul. We will miss him. Our deepest sympathy to his wife (who he spoke so highly of) and his family.
Russ and Jill Turner

Jill Turner - September 11, 2014 at 02:22 PM