



Armando "Eddie" Cadena

March 8, 1971 - September 17, 2018

No obituary found for this tribute.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **24.** 10:00 AM (PT)

Crosspoint Church
2518 N. Cedar Ave.
Fresno, CA 93703

Funeral Service

SEP **24.** 11:00 AM (PT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Armando "Eddie" Cadena

September 15, 2022 at 09:34 PM



“ My heart breaks at the news of my college dormmate's passing. Eddie was instrumental towards keeping me focused on getting thru college when I wanted to quit after just one semester. Time and distance couldn't bridge a gap between the respect and camaraderie I have for my ol' friend. My condolences to the family and friends who mourn his loss as I do. I send a wreath in lieu of my absence from his services but will always hold the great memories I have with him close to me and dear to my heart.

-Jerry de Jesus



Jerry de Jesus - September 24, 2018 at 12:18 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Cal Days



Christine Lee - September 22, 2018 at 09:55 PM



“ *White Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Armando "Eddie" Cadena .*



September 20, 2018 at 02:17 PM



“ *1 file added to the album New Album Name*



Christine Lee - September 20, 2018 at 01:47 PM



“ I met Eddie in 1991 when he was my RA during my freshman year in the dorms. I am so glad he was my first template for how to lead a community, and his is a template I've followed throughout my life in business and as a teacher. I knew him as a funny and warm person. At least once in my freshman year, I faced a crisis, and he was there for me. There was a resident who cornered and locked me in a room and told me about his hallucinations and suicidal ideation. Oh boy. Eddie was there for me.

It was also the year of the 1991 Oakland Hills fire. The Resident Hall Staff was so on the ball making us feel safe, even though in hindsight, I realize they were all only 1-2 years older than us and were probably feeling scared, too. That was Eddie. He was so sweet. He hung out with us (there's a picture of us hanging out in the hall).

I kept in touch with him throughout the years, and our friendship evolved.

At one point, we discovered we were living in the same apartment building complex in El Cerrito (sometime in the late 1990s). He lived right across a parking area from me. Knowing Eddie was nearby gave me comfort as I began living on my own for the first time.

When I got a job teaching at Fresno State a couple years ago, I drove once a week to Fresno from Berkeley. Eddie requested a half baked Zachary's spinach and mushroom deep dish pizza. And he got it. It was a hard time for me, and a rough few months, but again-seeing Eddie and knowing he was in Fresno made me feel good, and made me feel like i was on the right road.

(EDDIE, I HOPE YOU HAVE ALL THE DEEP DISH ZACHARY'S PIZZA IN YOUR NEXT JOURNEY. WE LOVE YOU).

Of course, we kept in touch via FB.

The Eddie I grew to know was someone whose kindness and compassion only deepened throughout the years. Someone who wasn't afraid to be vulnerable (that takes courage). And Eddie ALWAYS had some good dirty jokes--and if not dirty, downright bawdy. Jokes that made me blush. (For the record, I have a very bawdy sense of humor, so this was no small feat). My goodness.

He was inspiring. He fought until the end, and never lost his sense of humor, which is a sign of resilience. His fighting spirit will stay with me for the rest of my life. I want to say so much more. But for now, I'll leave you this picture of him with a bunch of us on the 7th floor of Ehrman Hall, circa 1991:



Christine Lee - September 20, 2018 at 01:46 PM

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“*Mary Barry lit a candle in memory of Armando "Eddie" Cadena*



Mary Barry - September 20, 2018 at 11:56 AM

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“ *To Eddie’s Family,*

I went to college with Eddie at Cal and was on staff with him in the Residence Halls. Eddie always made me laugh and smile! He had such a sunny personality and a naughty sense of humor -which I loved! Whenever I was in his presence, I felt at ease. He made people feel more comfortable in their own skin. I miss knowing that he is in this world saying funny and outrageous things but am comforted knowing that now his spirit is now everywhere and with all of us. I send you all love and I hope you all take comfort in how much love he shared with all of us.

Vivian Santiago - September 19, 2018 at 04:03 PM

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“ *15 files added to the album Cal Days*



Mary Barry - September 18, 2018 at 10:00 PM

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“ 12 files added to the album *Cal Days*



Mary K Barry - September 18, 2018 at 09:50 PM