



## Ignacio Arturo Lopez

July 2, 1972 - February 18, 2015

Dear friends and family,

'He never gave up'. That sums up the short life of our son and brother Ignacio Lopez, who left us on February 18, 2015. Always respectful, loving and caring, Ignacio is missed by all of us: his family, friends and neighbors.

Nacho, as we fondly called him, departed peacefully at his home in Fresno. He was 42. He leaves behind his brother Aaron Lopez, mother Diana Ortiz-Lopez, father Arthur M. Lopez, step mother Anuradha Gajaraj-Lopez and step sister Sahana Ashok Nayak.

"He was always kind. We never had to ask him, he would offer his help at any time," says Viola, his neighbor.

We all know that Nacho had his disability that he coped with day after day of his life. But, he was always loved and loving. Hope was a major part of his life, as was great faith in God. He was Catholic to the core, as his mother Diana says.

His greatest passion was to care for animals. His many visits to the animal rescue shelters with his mother, gave him much peace in his life. As also, the long walks he took with his father Arthur. During the last years of his life, he adopted a stray cat that he named Katangi. "People usually take their dogs for a walk, but Nacho walked Katangi," says Aaron, his younger brother. Katangi

followed Nacho around his house and outside as well. Katangi is now with Aaron.

“He always asked me to stop when he saw homeless people on the streets”, says Diana. He would jump out and hand them care packages of toothpaste, soap and other items. That was our Nacho.

Nacho would bring smiles to our faces when he uttered terms like, ‘stylish’, spicyguana and called his younger brother fondly, 'lob stir' in his own inimitable style. Aaron had an endearing term for Nacho as well, "bouncy tiger" - for Nacho was full of bounce. Dear Nacho, you WILL be missed. We will honor Nacho with a memorial plaque at the Inspiration park, a universally accessible park that is being developed by Resources for Independence Central Valley in Fresno. In addition, we will be setting up a scholarship fund in his name for deserving students in the Rehabilitation Counseling Master's program at California State University Fresno.

Family would like to invite you to Arthur M. Lopez and Anuradha Gajaraj-Lopez home at 764 W. Paul Ave., Clovis Ca 93612 for a gathering after the services.

We request family and friends to contribute to either of these initiatives in lieu of flowers and other tokens. Please note 'memorial plaque' or 'scholarship fund' on your remembrances and send them directly Arthur M.Lopez. We will keep you posted on these.

Your loving family...

# Cemetery Details

## Chapel of the Light Cemetery

1620 W. Belmont Avenue  
Fresno, CA 93728

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

FEB 28. 10:00 AM (PT)

Chapel of the Light  
1620 W. Belmont Avenue  
Fresno, CA 93728  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Chapel Of The Light created a Tribute Video in memory of Ignacio Arturo Lopez*



**Chapel Of The Light Funeral Home and Mausoleum** - March 05, 2015 at 06:52 PM



*Arturo Lopez*

**Loressa Sena** - September 27, 2017 at 09:11 PM

SD

“ *stew diner lit a candle in memory of Ignacio Lopez*



**stew diner** - September 13, 2024 at 08:49 AM



“ *Ignacio Arturo Lopez*

September 15, 2022 at 09:34 PM

SN

“ *Nacho I will miss your grin, smile and your sense of humor. Rest in peace my Nephew.*

*Your Aunt  
Sylvia Norred*

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**Sylvia Norred** - March 01, 2015 at 10:26 PM

RM

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with Nacho's family and friends. We have fond memories of Nacho as a youngster, especially on the fun camping trips with his dad and his family. May he rest in God's peace.*

*Ron & Ruth Merino and Bob Balmanno*

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**Ron Merino** - February 28, 2015 at 06:35 PM



“ *60 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**Chapel Of The Light Funeral Home and Mausoleum** - February 28, 2015 at 10:56 AM



“ *White Sympathy Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Ignacio Arturo Lopez.*



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February 28, 2015 at 09:44 AM



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*Ron & Ruth Merino and Bob Balmanno*

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**Ron Merino** - February 27, 2015 at 06:58 PM



“ *RICV purchased the Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White for the family of Ignacio Arturo Lopez.*



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**RICV** - February 27, 2015 at 10:11 AM

DL

“ I want to thank you, for your much needed support in yesterday's viewing of my son nachito.

*Also I didn't get a chance to introduce nacho's step-mother, Anu. Nacho liked her and she always treated both Nacho and Aaron very nice. Nacho attended church with Art and Anu on Sundays and go to their house for bunch. Nacho jokingly would say "I lucked out cause when I'm hating this family I can go to my other family, but both are too spicy (meaning food....mexican and indian)." He called Anu his "other " mom and would rate us depending on his mood--if he was pissed off with me he would say "that's mine real "mom" and I would be assigned as his "other Mother" and his step sister, Sahana would be Aaron's sister, and Aaron would tell Nacho, your sister.....finally Nacho would say yeah, I've got two sisters..... All in all Nacho had a great sense of pure life and love, he had a great circle of people who loved him. Thank you*

*one of his "Moms"*

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**Diana Lopez** - February 26, 2015 at 03:10 PM


DI

“ *"It breaks my heart to lose you, but you didn't go alone, part of me went with you, the day God called you home".....My Nachito you will always live in my heart, Love you always ...Mom P.S. hey Bouncy, this time I'll light a candle for*



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**Diana** - February 26, 2015 at 01:33 PM

  
Yvonne  
Lopez

“ *Cousin Art, we are so sorry for this terrible loss. You and Ignacio are in our thoughts and prayers - May your memories of Nacho and the love of your family surround you and give you strength and peace in the days ahead. - Peace, Love and Light ~ Bonnie and Ramon*



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**Yvonne Lopez** - February 26, 2015 at 09:07 AM

AR

“ *Nacho you will forgive me for not going to the viewing. I want to remember you as I saw you at the reunion at my home and when I visited you in your home. Love from your Tia Armida.*

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**armida** - February 25, 2015 at 04:57 PM

RS

“ *Nach, you have always been that lil man , I have such fond memories of you and when you walked into our home you were like a ray of sunshine that brought a warm smile and being your aunt I was so protective of you , not because I was your aunt but because you were a good friend , you were the only one I allowed call me Rosa , coming from you it sounded right. Thank you for being my Nephew, and most of all my Friend, Love You 😎*

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**Rosemarie Santillana** - February 25, 2015 at 10:39 AM

RS

“ *Rosemarie Santillana sent a virtual gift in memory of Ignacio Arturo Lopez*



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**Rosemarie Santillana** - February 25, 2015 at 10:22 AM

AL

“ *Nacho, into the hands of our heavenly father, his blessed mother & our angel loved ones, you are now one of our angels. Con mucho carino, Uncle Freddy, Robert & Chuck*



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**Alfred Lopez** - February 25, 2015 at 02:14 AM

AL

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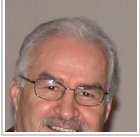
**Alfred Lopez** - February 24, 2015 at 11:30 PM

ML

“ *Going to miss you my nephew, I have so many fond memories of us growing up together. I'll never forget the Dickens Fair, and trying to find a cold soda instead of hot cider.. ( we where so happy when we found that coke machine). Catching our 1st fish at Frontier Village. Laughing so hard, when your Uncle Javier was Santa Claus for Christmas. Fly with the angels our Nacho.....  
Love you,  
Your Aunt Michelle Lopez*

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**Michelle Lopez** - February 24, 2015 at 12:38 PM



“ *Rosalia Lopez was added to the Family Tree.*

Arthur Lopez - February 24, 2015 at 07:47 AM



“ *Camilo Lopez was added to the Family Tree.*

Arthur Lopez - February 24, 2015 at 07:46 AM



“ *Arthur Lopez lit a candle in memory of Ignacio Arturo Lopez*



Arthur Lopez - February 24, 2015 at 07:41 AM



“ *Our family was so excited when Tia Diana was pregnant again. Aaron would be the the last of the cousins born. My memory is asking Tia what names were choosen for the new baby. She said Aaron, after a friend of nachitos from school. Aaron if a boy and Erin if its a girl. What a gift. Aaron your big brother loved you so much, even before you where born. Cherish those good memories.  
God bless,  
Eva Sagor.*

Eva Sagor - February 24, 2015 at 12:40 AM

AL

“ *Nacho, thinking of you son. Gdnt, love you,  
Dad*



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**Arthur Lopez** - February 23, 2015 at 10:48 PM