



## Rudy Martinez

October 19, 1954 - August 3, 2017

Rudy Martinez was born on October 19, 1954, in El Monte, California to parents Geronimo and Elvira (Carbajal) Martinez. He passed away on Thursday, August 3, 2017, in Fresno, California. Rudy was one of 15 children. He was 62 years, 9 months, 14 days old. May He Rest in Peace.

Rudy made his career working for the US Department of Forestry, retiring after 38 years as a fire fighter and forestry technician. As a resident of Fresno County for almost 60 years, Rudy and his wife Dolores raised their 5 children here and has been a loyal supporter of all things Fresno.

He is survived by his wife, Dolores, 5 children; Monica Martinez, Evonne Lozano and husband John, Michelle Resendez and husband Henry, Ruby Martinez and Rudy Martinez and companion Elena Mendez, his 9 beautiful grandchildren and siblings; 5 brothers & 3 sisters. Rudy was preceded in death by his parents and 6 siblings.

Rudy's loving family will be celebrating his life on Saturday, August 12, 2017, at ten o'clock in the morning, at Chapel of the Light Funeral Home. A one hour visitation will be held prior beginning at nine o'clock in the morning. Interment services will be held immediately after the funeral service at Mountain View Cemetery. Please join them if you're able. Use Rudy's Chapel of the Light web-page to send your condolences and remembrances.



# Cemetery Details

## Mountain View Cemetery

Fresno, CA 93728

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 12.** 9:00 AM (PT)

Chapel of the Light  
1620 W. Belmont Avenue  
Fresno, CA 93728  
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## Celebration of Life

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# Tribute Wall



“ Rudy Martinez

September 15, 2022 at 09:34 PM



“ Happy 63rd Birthday Dad. There is not one day that passes that I don't think of you. I miss you everyday and wish you were home so we could celebrate this special day with you eating pie, doing scratchers and just surrounding you with love. I love you so much dad and it is still unreal to me that you are not here in the flesh to hug you, kiss you, talk to you or just see you in the den. There will always be a piece of my heart that is empty and no man will ever be able to fill that void in my life. Today we will celebrate you and all of the 62 years of your life you were here on earth and now your 63rd year of being in heaven. "What I would give to clasp his hand, His happy face to see, To hear his voice, and see his smile that means so much to me. The rolling stream of life rolls on. But still the vacant chair recalls the love, the voice, the smile of my dad who once sat there." Happy Birthday My Angel!



Ruby - October 19, 2017 at 03:02 PM

RU

“ One month since you left us dad and we miss you so much. We know you are here with us in spirit and with the little signs you leave each one of us. We love you so much dad



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**Ruby** - September 04, 2017 at 02:59 AM

JD

“ JORDANA DABLAN lit a candle in memory of Rudy Martinez



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**JORDANA DABLAN** - August 15, 2017 at 04:59 PM

JD

“ Words can not express the heartache I feel for your family. You are all such lovely people and I adore you. Martinez family, please know that I am praying for you all. I've also asked my grandma, a true prayer warrior, to give it all she has. God will definitely show you the way to smiling again. I know this experience will change you forever. I hope in the days to come you can remember all the good times you shared with your father and all the love he gave you throughout the years. He is not gone. I know he will be watching over you forever.

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**JORDANA DABLAN** - August 15, 2017 at 04:56 PM



“ *On Behalf of the family of Rudy, I would like to thank everyone who attended services in the celebration of my fathers life. We would also like to thank everyone who visited our home to pay their respects and those who took the time to provide meals to my parents home during the past few weeks. We are truly grateful and appreciate everyone being there for us during this difficult time. We will also like to thank Stephanie from the Chapel of Light and the staff , as well as Mountain View for working with us and providing a service my father would be proud of. Thank you all and much love.*



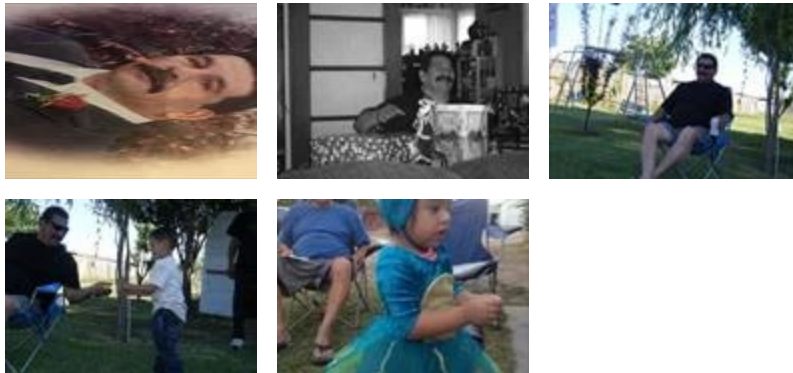
*Love,  
Dolores "Lola" Martinez and the reminder immediate family of Rudy Martinez*

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**Ruby Martinez** - August 14, 2017 at 10:36 AM

RM

“ ❤️ *We love you now and forever* ❤️



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**Ruby Alexis Martinez** - August 12, 2017 at 11:10 PM

RM

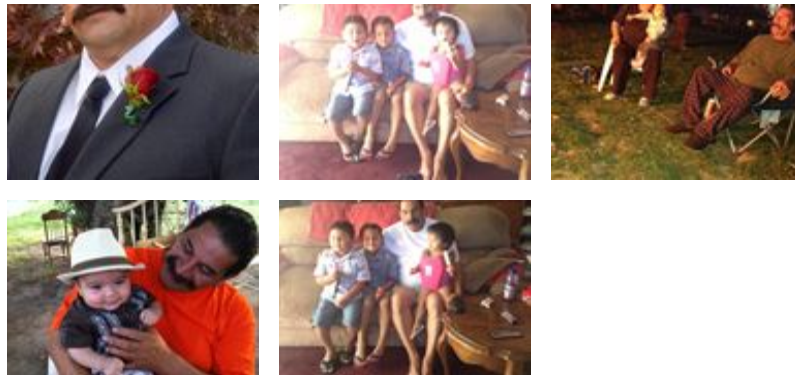
“ *Dad your service was beautiful. So many loving family and friends came to pay their respects. I am so blessed to have such a great father where so many had so much love and great memories of you. I love you daddy forever.* ”



Ruby Alexis Martinez - August 12, 2017 at 10:45 PM



“ 109 files added to the album LifeTributes ”



Chapel Of The Light Funeral Home and Mausoleum - August 11, 2017 at 04:49 PM

CB

“ *Christina Besinaiz-Aragon purchased the White Standing Spray for the family of Rudy Martinez.* ”



Christina Besinaiz-Aragon - August 10, 2017 at 05:19 PM



“ Rudy Rudy, you will be missed my old friend. Working with you was always a kick. May you now rest in peace and to your family my deepest condolences. Karl Muehlberg, Captain 61 (retired) USFS-Sierra NF.

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**KarlYo Muehlberg** - August 10, 2017 at 02:09 PM



“ Serene Green™ Bouquet For Sympathy was purchased for the family of Rudy Martinez.



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August 10, 2017 at 12:38 PM

MR

“Dad there is so much more I wish I could have said to you. What I wouldn't do to have one last conversation or a moment with you to say goodbye. The selfish side of me still wishes you were here, but I know that you're in a better place and are watching over us all from up above. I'm comforted by the fact that you aren't in pain and I know that you left this earth the way you have always planned. Dad, today was especially tough. The kids went back to school and when I walked into your house this morning, I wish you were there to greet them with your favorite jingle. Hearing you sing, "The boys are back in town", like you always did (when they walked through the door) would have been perfect...I can still hear your voice and see that loving smile on your face. Not to many people were fortunate enough to know the softer side of you that we did. Dad I will always remember your love for the great outdoors, you were our real life Smokey the Bear. I also remember your love for gambling(something I enjoy too) and although we weren't the biggest jackpot winners we hit the jackpot with having you as a father. I remember you on brighter days and recall mom getting mad that you took longer than she did to get ready. As you would say, "You were a handsome son of a gun". Trying to decide which one of your many Hawaiian shirts, slacks and shiny shoes or pair of Levi's and crisp clean tee topped with a pair of black Ray Bans must have made for a difficult decision. Dad thank you for giving me life and for working so hard to support your family. I know you always said you weren't afraid to die, but were afraid of leaving my mom alone. Please find peace in knowing that we are here to pick up where you left off and ensure that she continues to live her to the fullest just the way you planned. I love you dad and I know you love me too. Now it's time for you to finally rest in peace with all of our loved ones up above and know one day I'll be there too.





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**Michelle Resendez** - August 09, 2017 at 06:16 PM



*Beautifully written Michelle... Im so sorry for your loss.. LUV YA FRIEND..*

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**Sabrina Marquez** - August 09, 2017 at 07:05 PM



“ *Healing Tears - All White was purchased for the family of Rudy Martinez.*



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August 09, 2017 at 04:44 PM

MR

“Dad there is so much left to say. The selfish part of me wishes you were still here. I'm comforted by the fact that you aren't suffering and I know you left this earth the way you would have wanted to. Today was bittersweet, the kids went back to school. I know you're watching over them from up above. I wish you were at home to greet them with your favorite jingle, like you did when I dropped the boys of Wednesday morning. I remember you singing *The Boys are Back in Town*. I can still hear your voice and will cherish that memory forever. I'll always remember your love for the great outdoors. Thank you for teaching me how to fish, chop and stack wood, rake leaves, raise animals, wash cars and your canoe and how to be patient (as we weren't allowed to move the fishing pole or make noise that would scare off the fish during our many fishing trips). I'm comforted by the many memories I shared with you and will always remember you at your best. You always loved looking and smelling good when you left the house. I remember mom getting impatient waiting for you to get dressed and watching you trying to decide which one of your many Hawaiian shirts, black Ray bans, Levi's or crisp clean tee you were going to wear that day. Dad thank you for giving me life and for working hard to provide for our entire family. I love you and know you love me too! Now it's time for you to Rest In Peace.

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Michelle Resendez - August 09, 2017 at 04:25 PM



“Dad I still can't believe you're gone, but I know you are in a better place. I just want you to know that I will always love you and was blessed to have you in my life for 33 years. I was so lucky to have so many loving memories of you and will cherish each one in my heart until my dying day. I am proud that my daughter was able to get to know you for a short time and I will continue to share your legacy of you with her as she grows. I know you were always worried about mom being taken care of, and I assure you we have all come together to make sure your wish is fulfilled. I know you are now our personal guardian angel looking after mom, my siblings and all your grandchildren. Although you are not here in the flesh, I feel your spirit around me every day and know you would guide me in the right direction in my path in life. I will continue to be strong for you and have faith in knowing that one day we will meet again and all be one big happy family.

*This is a poem that made me think of you....*

*I thought of you today,  
But that is nothing new  
I thought of you yesterday  
And will tomorrow, too.  
I think of you in silence  
And make no outward show.  
For what it meant to lose you  
Only those who love you know.  
Remembering you is easy,  
I do it every day.  
It's the heartache of losing you  
That will never go away.  
I Love you Dad  
Xoxo Ruby*

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**Ruby Martinez** - August 08, 2017 at 03:59 PM

RM

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**Ruby Alexis Martinez** - August 08, 2017 at 02:56 PM