



Ismael "Smiley" Casarez

December 11, 1969 - May 19, 2025

Ismael Casarez, age 55, of Odessa, Texas, passed away on May 19, 2025, at Medical Center Hospital in Odessa.

Born on December 11, 1969, in Lamesa, Texas, to Fabian Casarez and Rosemary Davila, Ismael was a proud Texan with a big personality and an even bigger heart. He married Lori Ann Casarez, and together they built a life centered on love, family, and laughter.

To those who knew and loved him, Ismael was affectionately referred to as a "pain in the butt"-a title he earned with pride and wore with humor. He had a sharp wit, a mischievous smile, and a knack for keeping everyone on their toes. A natural jokester, Ismael could lighten any moment with laughter and always knew how to bring joy into a room.

But behind his playful spirit was a man deeply devoted to his family. He especially loved his grandchildren, who were the light of his life. Whether cruising on his motorcycle or surrounded by his children and grandkids, Ismael found happiness in the simple pleasures and in the bonds that held his family close.

Ismael is survived by his beloved wife, Lori Ann Casarez; his six children, Manuel Parra, Santana Casarez, Nicole Rodriguez, Viviana Casarez, Kandy

Casarez, and Katarina Casarez; and thirteen grandchildren: Isaac, Mya, Elijah, Louie, Marley, Diego, Samuel, Ezekiel, Malaki, Iris, Miley, Leovanni, and Christian Jr., fondly known as "Perrito." He is also survived by his mother, Rosemary Davila (Gerardo Sanchez); his sisters, Mary Medrano and Elizabeth Casarez; and many loving aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and extended family.

He is preceded in death by his father, Fabian Casarez; his godfather, Vivian Reyes; his brother, John Paul Casarez; and his best friend, Augustine Ramirez.

Ismael's memory will live on in the laughter he shared, the love he gave, and the stories his family will continue to tell. He will be missed deeply and remembered always.

A memorial service will be held at Odessa First Assembly, 1101 North Lee Ave in Odessa, Texas on Saturday, July 26, 2025 from 5-6 PM, followed by a reception from 6-7 PM.

Previous Events

Memorial

JUL **26**. 5:00 PM (CT)

Odessa First Assembly
1101 North Lee Ave.
Odessa, TX 79761