



## Ruben Najjar Rivera

August 1, 1967 - June 26, 2023

Ruben Najjar Rivera, born August 1, 1967, was called home on June 26, 2023. Funeral services will be held on Friday, July 7, 2023, at 11:00 am at American Heritage Funeral Home. Pastor Albert Flores of Odessa, Texas will be officiating.

Ruben was a kindhearted small-town boy, born to Manuel Heredia Rivera and Enedina (Najar) Rivera. He graduated from Colorado City High School, attended Western Texas College and later Odessa College.

Ruben moved to Odessa, Texas, where he met and married the love of his life, Carla Golden, whom he affectionately referred to as his rib. This union spanned 32 years.

Ruben's love for God was evident in the love he freely gave. He volunteered at Meals on Wheels in Odessa and food pantries in San Angelo, Texas. His love for the outdoors led him to the oilfield, where he later built his career.

Ruben enjoyed camping, supporting his Dallas Cowboys, playing softball, and making plans for his Sugars. His greatest love was family, especially his Sugars.

Ruben is preceded in death by his parents, Manuel and Nina Rivera; brothers, Manuel and Raul Rivera; and brother-in-law, Jimmy Jones.

Ruben is survived by his wife, Carla Rivera; stepchildren, April and Jayson Huber of Rockville, Maryland, Jeremy and Samantha Davis of Odessa, Texas, and Tavia Davis of Rockville, Maryland; sisters, Lydia Jones of Odessa, Texas, Alice Huff of Colorado City, Texas, and Mary and Ruben Mata of

Odessa, Texas; brothers, Robert and Yolanda of Big Spring, Texas, David and Alice of San Angelo, Texas, and Dennis and Elena of Odessa, Texas.

His Sugars include Hannah and Caleb Hill of Provo, Utah, Halle Huber of Rockville, Maryland, Amaya Davis, Madilyn Davis, Jaziliah Davis, Blesso Davis, Milo Davis, and Norie Davis, all of Odessa, Texas, along with many nieces and nephews whom he dearly loved.

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

JUL 7. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Ruben & Michael always had to babysit me—-Ruben always looked out for me even when I became an adult! He was the smoothest dancer on the dance floor! You will be greatly missed!!!*

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**Kol Bolin** - July 08, 2023 at 02:55 AM



“ *Heavenly Heights Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ruben Najar Rivera.*



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