



Rick Garza (Rene Ricardo Garza)

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Our beloved father, husband, son, brother, and friend Rick Garza passed away suddenly in his sleep on January 21st, 2017. He was born in Phoenix, AZ to Ricardo Garza and Emma Rodriguez Garza, where he spent his youth and young adulthood. It was there that he met and married his wife Christine Irizarry-Garza and started a new chapter in his life. After living briefly in New York, they moved to Utah and started their family.

Rick's children were his pride and joy, and he worked hard his whole life to give them every opportunity and provide for his family. He worked at Hexcel for 19 years, where he was loved by everyone who knew him and where he created many life-long friendships. He was extremely proud to be from Arizona and of his Mexican heritage and enjoyed sharing memories of the place and culture that he loved. He had many passions in life, ranging from Disney, Dr. Who, and Comic Con to music, theater, and fitness, but his greatest love was for his wife and children.

He is survived by his mother Emma; his sister Eunice Stahl, her husband Kevin, and their children Carter and Kaitlyn; his brother Roy Rodriguez; and his wife Christine and their six children Jaci, Summer, Nicolas, Noah, Joseph, and Samuel. He is preceded in death by his father Ricardo Garza.

Rick was able to put a smile on anyone's face, whether it be by offering a kind word, belting out a Broadway hit, or just being his genuine, enthusiastic self. He was one of a kind and he will be greatly missed.



Events


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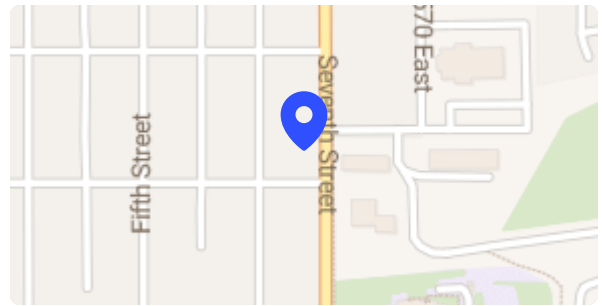
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Service

 **Thursday**, January 26, 2017

 6:00 PM MT

 **Tooele Life Church**
127 N 7th Street, Tooele UT 84074





Tribute Wall

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Darren Cowell posted:

A true gent of a man, I was lucky enough to meet, work and spend some time out of work with Rick during the time he came to England and in Salt Lake. A man who was always polite and who loved nothing more than to tell me about his family. The highest praise I can give is if my son turns out to be a man with the same qualities as Rick then I as a dad will be the proudest man in England. RIP Rick x

January 24 at 7:58 PM



Lilly Severson lit a candle in honor of Rene.

Growing up with you cousin we had some good memories & even as adults we had great talks mostly about what we both loved our families. I will miss you cousin, fly high with Jesus now. Love your cousin, Lilian (Lilly) Garza Severson



January 24 at 7:11 PM



Maricela Grable posted:

Our sincere condolences Maricela Grable and Family Rebeca Jimenez Romero & Elisa Romero Salazar

January 24 at 5:21 PM



Usw Local 12-593 sent a Sentiments of Serenity Spray to the Garza family.



January 24 at 5:07 PM



Lorraine Conrad lit a candle in honor of Rene.

So sad to hear about Ricky. I know he was enjoying his fitness journey as I enjoyed watching it. He will be sadly missed. Way too young 😞



January 24 at 4:10 PM



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Ron Vaclavik lit a candle in honor of Rene.



January 24 at 12:53 PM



Ron Vaclavik January 24 at 1:00 PM

I really got to know Rick in the last 5 years wish it would have been sooner what a great man. RIP Rick



Chris Carlyle lit a candle in honor of Rene.



January 24 at 11:49 AM



Chris Carlyle posted:

I have known Rick for many years now through work, he is the most genuine, caring, go out of his way to help someone all around good person. We had a few good talks about music and his path that led him to Utah. My deepest sympathies to his wonderful family that he loved so much. Rest in peace !Chris Carlyle

January 24 at 11:48 AM



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Filipe Filimoeatu posted:

My name is Filipe Filimoeatu I knew Rick from the Tville VASA gym. Every morning at 5am I'd see him and Casey McPhee. He was always friendly and added to the contagious positive atmosphere of the regulars we'd see everyday. I'm sad to hear of his passing and my thoughts and prayers are sincerely with his family. Best regards, Filipe

January 24 at 10:27 AM



Glenda John January 31 at 3:05 PM

Indeed it is sad to learn that you are mourning the loss of your dear, Rick Garza. Please be assured that God is not only aware of your pain, his word shows that in due time he will act to remedy it (Rev: 21:3, 4). In the meantime God warmly invites you to trust in him for comfort (2 Cor 1:3, 4).



Margaret Kountz January 24 at 3:10 PM

I taught at Shaw Butte Elem. School. I remember Ricky from years past. A neat kid! I am so sorry for your loss. Way to soon.



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Rene by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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