



Jose A. Feliciano Sr.

March 9, 1939 - April 8, 2015

Mr. Jose A. Feliciano, Sr., age 76, passed from this earthly existence with true honor and distinction on April 8, 2015 in Orlando, Florida. He entered into eternal rest, in his Lord's arms, with his entire loving family by his side.

Visitation is scheduled from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Monday, April 13, 2015 at Stewart Family Funeral Home. Services will be Tuesday, April 14, 2015 at 10:30 AM at Stewart Family Funeral Home. Private burial will follow at Tyler Memorial Park.

Mr. Feliciano was born March 9, 1939 in Aguadilla, Puerto Rico. He attended the San Gabriel School for the Deaf in Santurce, P.R. An immigrant to the United States looking for opportunity, Jose obtained his citizenship and started a family, as well as a new life, in 1957 in New York City. He subsequently resided in Maryland, North Carolina, Texas and eventually retired in Florida. Born into a Catholic family, he had a strong faith and continued that faith in the Baptist Church.

A proficient automotive expert and enthusiast, Jose worked diligently throughout his career in automotive restoration and repair. He loved restoring antique automobiles and achieved great joy working in and with various facets of the automotive industry. Consequently he had a great interest and derived much enjoyment from NASCAR. He also enjoyed all other sports including football and baseball.

Jose, Sr. took great pride in his family and children. He strongly encouraged them to "just be", an expression he used in dealing with the qualities and

character traits including, but not limited to, honesty, loyalty, compassion, respect, thoughtfulness, and sincerity. He knew if they practiced these principles they could succeed. As a result, he was most instrumental in teaching them the life lessons necessary for survival and success in this world.

Mr. Feliciano, Sr. is survived by his wife, Aurea Feliciano of Leesburg, Florida; his son, Jose Hernandez of New York City; his son, Jose A. Feliciano, Jr. and wife Wanda of Tyler; son, John Feliciano of Tyler; son, Jeff Feliciano and wife, Marci of Tyler; daughter, Juanita Feliciano and husband Rodney of Tyler; and daughter Michelle Hawkins and husband Bobby of Leesburg, Florida. Also survived by brother, Gao, Jr. of New Hampshire; sister Angie of New Hampshire; sister Jeannie of Puerto Rico; and sister Lourdes and husband Victor of Killeen Texas. Grandchildren include Jose (Joey) Antonio, Yolanda, Adrianna, Anthony, Joseph, April, Jacob, Julia Ann, and Jenna as well as multiple great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, a son, Antonio and his grandson, Jackson, son of Jeff and Marci. Pallbearers will be Jose Hernandez, Jose A Feliciano, Jr, John Feliciano, and Jeff Feliciano.

In lieu of flowers, charitable donations may be made in his honor to the Tyler Deaf and Hard of Hearing Center, P O Box 6134, Tyler, TX 75711, or directly to the Feliciano Foundation, c/o Feliciano Financial Group, 1828 ESE Loop 323, Suite 200, Tyler, TX 75701, founded by his son for charity purposes and primarily benefitting Deaf Associations in Tyler, Florida, and Puerto Rico.

Cemetery Details

Tyler Memorial Park

12053 SH 64 West
Tyler, TX 75704

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **13.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Stewart Family Funeral Home
7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy
Tyler, TX 75703
(903) 581-2008

Graveside Serv.

APR **14.** 10:30 AM (CT)

Tyler Memorial Park
12053 SH 64 West
Tyler, TX 75704

Tribute Wall

HF

“ Jose, Jeff, Juanita and John,

Our heartfelt prayers are with you. We pray this trying time is filled with wonderful memories to help take from so much sadness. Though I only met him once, your family is a testament to his character and kind heart that shows through all of you. In honor of Mr. Feliciano Sr. we made a donation in his honor to the Deaf Action Center of Texas.

Sincerely,

*The Fritz Family
Heather, Bobby and Tatum*

Heather Fritz - April 14, 2015 at 09:07 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Jose A. Feliciano Sr..



April 13, 2015 at 05:36 PM

EF

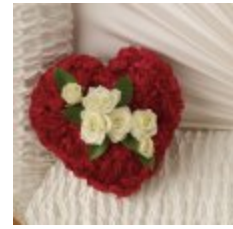
“ ED SANTOS & Your FILIPINO Family lit a candle in memory of Jose A. Feliciano Sr.



ED SANTOS & your FILIPINO family - April 13, 2015 at 03:29 PM



“ *A Devoted Heart Casket Insert was purchased for the family of Jose A. Feliciano Sr..*



April 11, 2015 at 08:33 PM



“ *Serenity Wreath was purchased for the family of Jose A. Feliciano Sr..*



April 11, 2015 at 01:42 PM



“ *Jose Jr., Jon, and family:*

I was saddened to learn of Jose Sr.'s passing. I know what a great inspiration he has been to all of you. My sincere condolences, and I will talk to you soon.



John Sims - April 11, 2015 at 08:37 AM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Jose A. Feliciano Sr..*



April 10, 2015 at 05:43 PM



“ *Blooming Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Jose A. Feliciano Sr..*



April 10, 2015 at 05:00 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Jose A. Feliciano Sr..*



April 10, 2015 at 01:13 PM



“ *4 files added to the tribute wall*



Justine Chapman - April 09, 2015 at 02:58 PM

RR

“ I feel that I have lost a member of my own family. Mr. Jose Sr. was one of the best! Even though he could not hear or speak he could get his point across to anyone. I have known the Feliciano family since the early 90's and have loved every one of them. "Dad" was always smiling and the life of the party. I will miss him but have many memories to cherish. God bless you all and my prayers are with you.

Love Risa Rae

Risa Rae - April 09, 2015 at 02:30 PM

JC

“ I have known Mr. Jose since 1998 and I have never ever seen him without a smile on his face....He always had a hug and a smile for me and could make me laugh. I remember hearing that the first time that he came to Tyler after we moved to our new office on the corner of Paluxy and Loop 323 that Jose Jr. said how Jose Sr. cried when he came over Hwy 110 when saw the Feliciano name on the top of our building. He was so proud of all of his children and grandchildren. He was a very loving Father, Husband, Ex Husband and Grandfather. Heaven gained an angel and he is talking now :) We will all miss him!



Justine Chapman - April 09, 2015 at 02:07 PM

JG

“ Michelle,

I want you to know how much you and your family are in our prayers. This has been a difficult month so far, my father passed 4-1-15 and now your father. I think I can say I understand what means to be standing in your shoes. We are here for you and please express my deepest sympathies to your Mother and Family.

Jim Gleason

Jim Gleason - April 09, 2015 at 01:44 PM



Thanks Jim are you are great.

Michelle Hawkins - April 11, 2015 at 09:38 AM

CI

“ Jose, your dad was an amazing character. I still remember meeting him when we were pledging... He always had a smile, he always made us laugh. I know he'll definitely be missed. Please know our prayers are with you and your family.

Chris Isham and Family

Chris Isham - April 09, 2015 at 10:07 AM