



Manuel Jimenez

February 9, 1934 - September 21, 2019

Manuel Jimenez, 85, of Eaton Colorado, entered the gates of heaven on Sept 21, 2019, as the result of a cerebral hemorrhage.

He was born in Sedgwick, CO to Florencia Guerrero. After the passing of his mother, he and his siblings were raised by his grandparents Celso and Nieves Guerrero in Greeley. He overcame the barriers of the English Language from his Hispanic up bringing to accomplish much educationally, graduating from Greeley High in 1953. He attended CSCE (UNC) for one year with help from an Our Lady of Peace scholarship. In 1954 Manuel enrolled in the USAF serving 4 years, 3 in England during the Korean conflict as a military policeman.

He married Juanita Martin in San Antonio, TX in 1958. To this union were born two daughters: Michele Mari and Christine Denise.

After graduating from CSCE with a BA & MA he began his teaching career in Eaton in 1961. He taught art, English and Spanish before he was appointed Assistant Principal in 1974. Manuel served as High School Principal from 1981 to 1993. During his retirement he substituted in several Weld County school districts. Also, he was the middle school/ high school principal and co-superintendent for the Mescalero Apache Schools in New Mexico. In 1998 Manuel returned to Eaton and began instructing and testing students in English as a Second Language at the Platte Valley School District in Kersey. He finished his career there as High School Principal in 2002 Additionally he served his community as a reserve police officer from 1985 to 1995.

A few of Manuel's lifetime honors include: Selected as one of 30 participants for a National Defense Education Act Spanish Institute at the WI University in Madison; one of 17 Fine Arts Educators as a Fulbright-Hayes Scholarship winner to study art history in Italy, summer, 1972; he was a member of Delta Phi Delta National Art Society; he was selected as "Administrator of the Year" in 1993 by the Eaton School Faculty.

In 1996 he married Mary (Brown) Gibbs and they enjoyed traveling, family times and celebrations. He loved art, practical jokes, goofy presents and dearly loved his family. He is survived by his wife, two daughters, stepson Jim Gibbs, grandchildren, Clair Novi, Sam Krause, Carly Watson, Wendy Watson and great-grandchildren Amerie and Ariel Valenciano and Emmett Schermann; sister Jenny(Tony) Herrera and brother, Sabino (Charlotte) Jimenez and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins. He was preceded in death by his sister Julie Perez, grandson Niklaus Jimenez Krause, and stepson Fred Grant Gibbs.

During his life Manuel was a member of Faith Lutheran Church in Eaton and embraced the word of Jesus in Matthew 25:40 "In as much as you have done it to the least of one of these my brethren you did it to me." His final gift was as a tissue donor. The Best is yet to Come!

A viewing will be held from 1:00 until 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 29, 2019 at the Moser Funeral Service Chapel, 3501 S. 11th Avenue in Evans. A memorial service to celebrate Manuel's life will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, September 30, 2019 at the Eaton Evangelical Free Church, 1325 3rd Street in Eaton.

Memorial gifts may be made to the Manuel Jimenez Memorial Fund to be used for the Eaton High School Scholarship Fund or the Faith Lutheran Church.

Cemetery

Eaton Cemetery

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Events

SEP 29 Visitation 01:00PM - 04:00PM

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Moser Funeral & Cremation Service
3501 S. 11th Avenue, Evans, CO, US, 80620

SEP 30 Celebration of Life 11:00AM

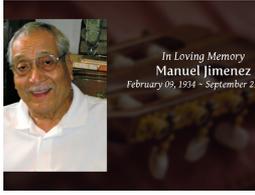
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Evangelical Free Church of Eaton
1325 3rd Street, Eaton, CO, US, 80615

Comments



“ An external video has been added.



Moser Funeral & Cremation Service - September 24, 2019 at 06:54 PM



“ WHAT A BEAUTIFUL VIDEO SUCH MEMORIES YOU HAVE. MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND YOUR FAMILY

BARBARA OVERMYER - September 27, 2019 at 06:59 PM



“ I just saw this today. How sad for all of us. Mr. Jimenez was my art teacher in grade school and Asst. Principal when I was at EHS. He was always there with in impish grin and welcoming heart. He was the same when I would come and visit in Eaton. He will be missed.

Kim Benson Gribble

Kim Gribble - April 18, 2020 at 12:38 PM



“ I 1st met Manuel when I started cutting his hair. We became friends & I bought his beautiful Silver Jewelry. Over the years I married & lost touch with him. It was heartbreaking I never was able to reconnect with him. Heaven has received a truly wonderful man



Jacquelyn Stroud - September 28, 2019 at 03:34 PM



“ i was so saddened to hear of Manuel's passing. he was so thoughtful and caring when Bill was in nursing home. Many times joining in on the many jams held with him. He was a wonderful friend and will be sadly missed. May you find peace and comfort in your time of sadness and may GOD be with you.



BARBARA OVERMYER - September 27, 2019 at 06:56 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Manuel Jimenez.



September 26, 2019 at 10:01 AM



“ I remember him he was a very good person in Eaton high school principal art Eaton had good memories in high school when I was there my prayers go out to the family specialty to mrs. Jimenez

Lance Brown - September 26, 2019 at 08:58 AM



“ He always had a smile. He was a stand up guy, and I admired that. I was glad to have known him. The world is a better place because he was in it.

Kurt Krause - September 26, 2019 at 12:31 AM



“ UNCLE MANUEL, YOU WERE ALWAYS KIND AND RESPECTFUL TO ME. THE WORLD HAS LOST A TRUE HERO. UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN. LOVE AND MISS YOU -JIMMY HERRERA

JAMES HERRERA - September 25, 2019 at 04:25 PM



“ Edward And Lisa Herrera lit a candle in memory of Manuel Jimenez



Edward and Lisa Herrera - September 25, 2019 at 12:55 PM



“ My sympathies to our Colorado family. I always enjoyed the many visits when the Jimenez family came to my parents home in Wisconsin. "Jim" and my Dad would always have a jam session with their guitars and he would always "smuggle" in some Coors Beer when it could only be purchased in Colorado. Many, many good memories!

James A Ray - September 25, 2019 at 09:52 AM



“ “Jimenez” was a true renaissance man. He was an educator, an artist, a musician, a mechanic, a designer, an art collector, an organizer, a social worker, a chef, a storyteller. He could talk to anybody about anything and did. An amazing father to all his family. He appreciated people and life to the max and shared it with everyone, like a religion. Such a talented man. Prayers to his families.

Linda Martin Dahlke - September 24, 2019 at 07:56 PM



“ I have many memories of Uncle Manuel. Such a kind and gentle soul. He had such a great big smile.
Rest in peace and may GOD shine his holy light on you. Love you, always.
Lisa Herrera

Lisa Herrera - September 24, 2019 at 06:31 PM



“ It was always great to run into Manuel ~ he was a great mentor in HS, even when I got into trouble :) he had a lot of students to remember, but I always appreciated that he remembered me. RIP dear friend.

Susan Allard - September 24, 2019 at 06:02 PM



“ Lisa (Penland) Schoepf lit a candle in memory of Manuel Jimenez



Lisa (Penland) Schoepf - September 24, 2019 at 11:42 AM



“ I have a special place in my heart for Mr. Jimenez, my Asst. Principal and for Manuel, my best friends father. I spent many, many days and nights at the Jiminez household. He was a wonderful man who I will always relish the memories I have of him! RIP my mentor!

Jami Dow - September 23, 2019 at 11:52 PM



“ He caught me smoking in high school!he was a great guy, always smiling and so nice.
Great memories.! God bless his familia!

Rose littlefield - September 25, 2019 at 03:23 AM



“ Dale Penland lit a candle in memory of Manuel Jimenez



Dale Penland - September 23, 2019 at 10:14 PM



“ Manuel you will be greatly missed. Your sense of humor will always be remembered. Hearing my kids come home and speak about how ornery you were at family gatherings always made me smile. You were an inspiration to many people and I am glad I got the chance to know you. I will take good care of your great-granddaughters how you always hoped I would. May you rest in peace. -Aaron Valenciano

Aaron Valenciano - September 23, 2019 at 10:09 PM



“ Mr. Jimenez had a huge impact on me in his art visits to Eaton Elementary. Inspired me and gave me extra attention to aspire for better.

stan schroeder - October 07, 2019 at 11:48 AM