



## Joseph "Tom" Martinez

September 10, 2021

Joseph "Tom" Martinez, 74, went to be with the Lord on September 10, 2021. He was preceded in death by his daughter Brandi Martinez; grandson Brandon Martinez; parents Joe F. Martinez, and Emma Vigil; siblings Wilfred Martinez and Cheryl Valdes; father-in-law, Tony Trujillo. He is survived by his wife, Geraldine Martinez; children Stephanie (David) Simpson, Thomas (Racheal) Martinez, Erica (Chris) Manzanares, Deidre Trujillo, and Larry Quintana who Tom referred to as another son. 11 grandchildren, Brianne, Justin, Devon, Adrianna, Alejandra, Elijah, Eliyanna, Izaiah, Sofia, Kenlee and Teagan; numerous great grandchildren; siblings Patricia Martinez, Debbie (Tom) Aichlmayr, Ronald Vigil, Jacqueline (Ted) Vicioso, and Richard (Loretta) Vigil. Mother In law, Bonnie Trujillo, sister-in-law Gloria (Pete) Sanchez, sister-in-law Theresa (James) Vigil, brother-in-law Tony (Debbie) Trujillo, brother-in-law, Fred (Janet) Trujillo, and sister-in-law Brenda (Art) Aranda; godchildren; numerous nephews and nieces; extended family and friends Tom loved his family, and he had a heart for all those who served our country. Tom was a Veteran of the Vietnam War. He served honorably in the Army from 1966-1972 achieving the rank of Sergeant. Tom always talked about how his experience in the Vietnam War taught him the importance of integrity, commitment, discipline, and teamwork, and how these core values provided him with the foundation he would need as a Counselor working with troubled youth for 24 years. He was an avid fan of the Denver Broncos, and the CSU-Pueblo Thunderwolves. He enjoyed fishing, and more than anything he loved

spending time with his grandchildren. He will be forever missed by all those he leaves behind. Funeral Services 10:00am Wednesday, September 22nd, Romero Family Funeral Home. Interment to follow, Roselawn Cemetery. Service may be viewed through live stream on Facebook at Romero Family Funeral Home Pueblo and YouTube at Romero Family Funeral Home Pueblo.

## Cemetery Details

### Roselawn Cemetery

Pueblo, CO

## Previous Events

### Funeral Service

SEP **22**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (MT)

Romero Family Funeral Home  
110 Cleveland St.  
Pueblo, CO 81004  
(719) 583-1313  
romeroffh@live.com

# Tribute Wall

JV

“ Brother,  
Through out the years I would call you and ask you a ton of questions about our childhood. You were always so loving and patient and answered everyone of them. You shared wonderful memories with me and we laughed together about the good ole days! I have one more question for you Brother-  
“ How do you mend a broken heart”? 😞 I Love you Tom with all my heart and then some...

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**Jacqueline Vicioso** - September 25, 2021 at 09:58 PM

CA

“ I will miss you, Tom. I enjoyed our conversations and your words of wisdom. I surely appreciated your call when I lost my beloved Gibby. It meant a lot to me. I hope Geraldine and your family know that many people respected and loved you.

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**Cathy** - September 22, 2021 at 01:15 AM

DA

“ On Friday, September 10, 2021, God called home Joseph (Tom) Martinez, my brother, home. Tom graduated in 1966 and like many in this class, served in the Vietnam War. He was injured physically to include suffering the effect of Agent Orange. Many Vietnam Veterans who served on the ground suffered due to the poison, Agent Orange which attacks the organs. God Bless by brother Tom and all the Vietnam Veterans who bravely served in this war even though they weren't given the respect they should have been given during the war. Hopefully, now we respect the service of all Veterans who served and are serving our country, the United States of America. Veterans do not return from their service as the same teenagers they were right out of high school. They come home wounded. They experience awful events and conditions. These are the men who, did, come back. Many died in service to our country. In addition to being a Vietnam Veteran, my Brother Tom was an awesome athlete. He had an athletic scholarship but he served our country instead of attending college. He was also voted most popular in high school. He will be missed by many. He enjoyed sports, watching the Broncos but also watching or inquiring about the athlete members in the family including my children. We are here on Earth temporarily as citizens but when God calls us, as sons and daughters we are called to be citizens in Heaven. I am grateful for the time God allowed my brother Tom to be on Earth. I am proud to call him my big brother. His tired and wounded body remains here on Earth but his soul, which made him an awesome, caring and loving person returns to God, Our Father Who Art In Heaven. † Eternal rest grant unto him oh Lord and May perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of the faithful departed, through your mercy Lord, Rest In Peace. Amen †  
Love, Debbie 💜🌹

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Debbie Aichlmayr - September 21, 2021 at 08:59 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Joseph "Tom" Martinez.*

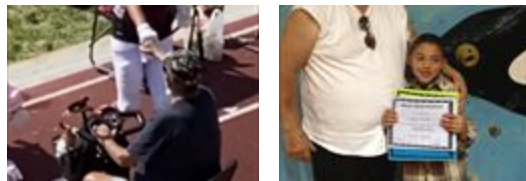


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September 21, 2021 at 03:44 PM



“ *i love you popo and i will never forget afe mementoes together me and you had so many i couldn't even count. the amount of times you made my day it was crazy. you made so many people's days and i will always respect and love you ❤️*



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izaiah trujillo - September 21, 2021 at 03:41 PM



“ *Thank you to my oldest brother for all the guidance, wisdom courage fun times. and uncondition love you have given and shared with me throughout my life. You have always been The BEST and my HERO. I love you and have beautiful memories. Peace My Brother.*

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Patty - September 21, 2021 at 12:39 PM

DS

“ *David Simpson lit a candle in memory of Joseph "Tom" Martinez*



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**David Simpson** - September 21, 2021 at 07:05 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Joseph "Tom" Martinez.*



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September 20, 2021 at 12:09 PM

EL

“ *Ernie Lucero and Family Send our prayers and condolences to all the family through this hard time.*



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**Ernie Lucero** - September 20, 2021 at 12:00 PM

DT

“Dad, I hope you know that every second I got to spend with you were always happy moments for me. You are the best dad in the world. I will always have you in heart and I will remember all our good times and all the life stories you would share with me. You taught me how to be strong and not let my hard times ruin my days. I will always appreciate your support. Thank you so much for being the Hero that I needed. I love you dad.  
Love Dee

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Deidre Trujillo - September 20, 2021 at 01:11 AM

SL

“Dad, there are so many memories I have that I can't point to one. I will always remember everything you've taught me. You taught me how to play sports. How to pick myself up after falling down. How to deal with adversity in life. How to always try my hardest. You've made such an impact on myself, Racheal and the girls, we all miss you so much! Our phone calls just to chat is a big hole in my life. Thank you for always being there. Love you dad.



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Slugger - September 19, 2021 at 09:26 PM



“Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Joseph "Tom" Martinez.



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September 19, 2021 at 07:37 PM

SG

“Dad you know how much I love you. Im gonna miss you. Ill always cherish the memories i have in my heart. The time you drove around like chevy chase "look kids Big Ben" that was so funny. But you would not stop for directions... I know your not suffering and I know your with our Lord. Ill miss you Dad. Ilove you.



Stephanie Garcia - September 19, 2021 at 12:46 PM

AL

“Popo, life is so different without you already. I'm so thankful I had you in my life for the 22 years that I did. You are my bestfriend, I couldn't be more thankful for you and eveything you ever did for me. I know you're watching over me now. You are such a handsome angel now ❤️ I love you ❤️



Alejandra - September 19, 2021 at 12:42 PM

EI

“Edmond Iniguez lit a candle in memory of Joseph "Tom" Martinez



Edmond Iniguez - September 19, 2021 at 02:15 AM

PT

Geraldine and family, please accept our deepest sympathy. There are no words to express our sorrow for your loss. Yvonne and I will always remember meeting Tom in 1997 and our continued friendship through the years. Rest in peace, Tom until we meet again. Love always, Paul & Yvonne Tienda

Paul Tienda - September 21, 2021 at 09:52 PM

AI

“ *Anni Iniguez lit a candle in memory of Joseph "Tom" Martinez*



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**Anni Iniguez** - September 19, 2021 at 01:37 AM

GM

“ *Tom, you are the love of my life and I was so Blessed to be married to you for 30 years! I will always cherish you, and although I have a heavy heart right now, I know that your are in our Father's arms, and that gives me the comfort I need to get through this sorrow.*



*Until we are joined together again, know that I will love your forever,  
"Tommy Martinez"*

*Your loving wife,*

*Geraldine*

*"To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the Heaven"*

*Ecclesiastes 3:1*

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**Geraldine Martinez** - September 18, 2021 at 11:23 PM



“ Sofia and Teagan want you to know they love you and you’re the best grandpa ever.



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**Thomas Martinez** - September 18, 2021 at 11:16 PM



“ With Distinction was purchased for the family of Joseph "Tom" Martinez.



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September 18, 2021 at 09:41 PM



“ Rainbow Reflections Basket was purchased for the family of Joseph "Tom" Martinez.



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September 17, 2021 at 02:17 PM