



## Miguel Lopez Herrera

December 5, 1931 - July 11, 2016

Miguel (Gene) Herrera passed away on July 11, 2016. Miguel was born Dec 5, 1931 to Candido and Celia Herrera in Maxwell, New Mexico, and graduated from Maxwell High School in 1949. He entered the US Navy in 1951, becoming Chief Petty Officer and serving in the Korean War on the USS Bryce Canyon. He was honorably discharged in 1954. He married Viola Archuleta in 1955 and they had six children together. They resided in Sacramento, CA, Albuquerque NM and Pueblo, CO before settling in Weston, CO in 1973. He was a coal miner for 22 years, at the Golden Eagle and New Elk mines in Weston and the York Mine in New Mexico. He is preceded in death by his parents, brothers Candido Jr, David and Emilio; and sister Lucy Andrade. He is survived by his wife Viola, sons Albert, Bernard, Steve (Barbara) Herrera and daughters Evelyn Soliz, Karen Sanchez and Elisa (David) Wilson; 15 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren; and by sisters Annie (Phil) Andrade, Helen Cardenas and Eloisa (Benji) Maes. He had a great sense of humor, loved Mexican music, dancing, God, his family, and hard (and never-ending!) work. A Catholic mass will take place on Friday, July 15, 2016 at 10 am at Sacred Heart Cathedral in Pueblo, CO and interment will follow at 3:45 pm at the Maxwell, NM city cemetery.

## Cemetery Details

### Maxwell Cemetery

Maxwell, NM

## Previous Events

### Mass of the Resurrection

JUL 15. 10:00 AM (MT)

Cathedral of the Sacred Heart  
414 W. 11th Street  
Pueblo, CO 81003

# Tribute Wall

JC

“ *Prima Viola and family,*

*John and I just found out of Gene's passing. Our dearest sympathy to you all. We have fond memories of a dear cousin who was a joy to be around.*

*I remember when you both came to celebrate Mame's 100th and 104th birthdays which was a surprise to her and one she always talked about.*

*He was always ready to lend a helping hand. I remember the time we were threshing the oats and he asked me for a pair of overalls and went out to help the Tio's. He was such a wonderful man.*

*When our parents died (his compadres) he called to say how sorry he was and if he had known, would have accompanied his godson.*

*May he rest in peace and may Our Lord and Savior give you strength and peace also.*

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**John & Theresa Cordova** - July 25, 2016 at 12:03 PM

ES

“ *Daddy...God has truly blessed our family by giving us a wonderful father, grandfather, and great grandfather. Your morals, love, smile, sense of humor, faith in God, joy in dancing, excitement watching a Bronco game, the sound of your voice, will forever be cherished in all who knew you. You are and always will be the Herrera Legend! Love you to eternity Daddy!*

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**Evelyn Herrera Soliz** - July 14, 2016 at 08:10 AM

CM

“ To Steve & The Herrera Family, Sorry To Here About The Passing Of Miguel, May God Comfort All Of The Family In This Difficult Time, I Knew Miguel Threw Steve's Flooring Business, He Was One Hard Worker, Never Wanting To Slow Down, Much Respect To This Man, RIP Mr. Miguel Lopez Herrera

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**Carmel Montoya** - July 13, 2016 at 07:33 PM

LB

“ To my Aunt viola, children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. My sincere condolences for the great loss of your husband, dad and grandfather and MY uncle Eugene whom I loved dearly. He was a great uncle and I shall never forget him. May God help you with your grief and sorrow. All my thoughts, love and prayers are with you at this sad time and may God bless you all. All my love to you Tia viola and family.

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**Lucia Bennett** - July 12, 2016 at 06:41 PM

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*On behalf of all of the Leandro Herrera family from Maxwell. Our love, thoughts and prayers are with you. We loved Tio Gene. Sincerely, Elaine Herrera Chavez.*

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**Elaine Chavez** - July 13, 2016 at 09:59 PM

EM

*To my dear brother Miguel family's, My condolences for the loss of you father. I know how much you meant to him. He was very proud of all of you. His family was his whole life. He will be dearly missed. Love and prayers from the Maes family. Tia Eloisa and Tio Ben.*

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**Eloisa Maes** - July 18, 2016 at 02:23 PM