



Frank Palacio Sr.

August 6, 2022

Frank Palacio, Sr. was a selfless family man and a passionate nurseryman who left this world on August 6th, a week short of his 75th birthday, after a valiant battle with cancer. Our dad was surrounded by his family as he left this world to be with the Lord. Born to Ramon and Ann Palacio in the coal mining camp of Morley, Colorado; he was the youngest of 11 children. Our dad graduated from Trinidad High School, where he met our mom, Shirley Cordova, who was the love of his life. Daddy then served in the Navy Reserves and spent two years at the naval station on Treasure Island in San Francisco Bay. Our parents had five children, all of whom were raised in Pueblo, and daddy spent 19 years in the Wire Mill at the CF&I in Pueblo. Always the entrepreneur, he sold trees to area landscapers on the side to support his growing family. Through hard work and dedication, that side-job grew into one of Southern Colorado's most successful nurseries. Our parents' hard work helped to supply trees and plants to parks, businesses, and homes across the city. While daddy's first legacy is his family, his second will be shade from the thousands of trees that he provided throughout the region. Our dad loved Colorado's outdoors, where our parents spent many nights camping, and many days simply "going for a ride." He also was a skilled carpenter; he built two of his homes and helped his children build homes of their own. Daddy was a great guitarist, and in his younger years he loved to serenade us with his beautiful baritone voice. Our dad was honorable and old-fashioned, and expected others to be the same. Cursing was bad-mannered,

and disrespecting women was even worse. He had no patience for R-Rated movies, but he thoroughly enjoyed old Western films and old time Country Music. He was also, proudly, the undefeated arm-wrestling champion of our family. He was preceded in death by his parents, Ramon and Ann, his father-in-law and mother-in-law, John and Josephine Cordova, his brothers Raymond and Henry, and sisters, Adeline, and Maryann. Frank is survived by his loving wife of 54 years, Shirley, his children Frank Palacio, Tammy Palacio, Julie Palacio, Rick Palacio (Graham Kaltenbach), and Lisa (Randall) Padilla, his grandchildren Savannah, Gabrielle, Anthony, Michael, Daniel, Allie, Brody, Isaac, Breah, and Johnny, and his great grandchildren, Isaiah, Shayna, Kiana, Andrew, Jayda, Noah, and Daniel. He is also survived by his big brothers Sam (Madlyn) Palacio of Longmont, Bobby Palacio of Chowchilla, California, and big sisters Josephine Bralish, Carol (Larry) Santoyo of Denver, Caroline Garcia of Pueblo and Gloria (Chuck) Guillin of Colorado City, as well as numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and countless friends, including his faithful dog of 14 years, Maddie. Our daddy will be greatly missed by all of us, forever. Funeral Service will be 10:30am, Saturday, August 13, 2022 at St. Paul the Apostle in Pueblo West followed by interment at Roselawn Cemetery. Online condolences can be made at roselawnpueblo.org.

Previous Events

Funeral Service

AUG 13. 10:30 AM (MT)

St. Paul the Apostle
1132 West Oro Grande
Pueblo West , CO 81007

Tribute Wall



“ Frank called me and told of his dads passing last week.

Yrs. ago i kind of got my start in the nursery industry because of him. i needed to get rid of some trees growing here near Mora NM. and he bought some and I bought from him. He gave me some much-needed advice. Plant a little of everything he said and that is what i try to do.

Really wished i had seen him a few yrs. ago when i dropped of some trees to the nursery at pueblo west, but he was not available, though we had talked several times through the yrs.

Always a very honest, humble and considerate guy. He told me about tough times moneywise growing up later working at CF& I as well as digging and selling trees on the side etc.

several time we shared a booth at the Denver nursery show as well as a hotel room. one of those times we got a 2 for 1 big mac special and that was dinner...trying to keep costs down u know. Anyway, my condolences to all the palacios for your loss and best to all of U all. Sincerely, dan cassidy, Cleveland, NM

Dan Cassidy - August 15, 2022 at 11:06 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Frank Palacio Sr..*



August 13, 2022 at 01:22 PM

WR

“ God Bless the Palacio family, we are so sorry for your loss of Frank. What a fine gentleman he was. He was my part time employer at one time and a very good friend. He was very well known and liked by many as I learned while delivering trees for him around Pueblo West. He will be greatly missed by us and many others that knew him. "Rest In Peace" Frank you deserve one of the finest mansions in Heaven in the hands of God our Lord.

Wally & Mary Richardson

W& M Richadson - August 13, 2022 at 02:47 AM

KH

“ I am so sad to hear of your loss..what a dear man ..one of the first people I had the pleasure of meeting when I came to Pueblo to practice veterinary medicine. I knew Frank as a kind, hard working family man and a devoted pet lover. May God bless the Palacio family .

Dr. Kathy Harris

Kathleen Harris - August 12, 2022 at 08:03 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Frank Palacio Sr..



August 12, 2022 at 04:47 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Frank Palacio Sr..*



August 12, 2022 at 10:26 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Frank Palacio Sr..*



August 12, 2022 at 01:33 AM



“ *With Deepest Sympathy and Sincere Condolences, I'm truly sorry for the passing of Mr Frank. He was always so very Nice and Helpful when I purchased items from the business. Also all of the Family. I know he will be truly missed. He is with our Heavenly Father GOD ALMIGHTY now. May GOD BLESS and COMFORT the Family. Rest in Peace Mr Frank. With Love, Robert Eaglin*

Robert Eaglin - August 12, 2022 at 12:51 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Frank Palacio Sr..*



August 11, 2022 at 04:27 PM

GG

“ Gloria M Gillem purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Frank Palacio Sr..



Gloria M Gillem - August 11, 2022 at 01:20 PM



“ Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Frank Palacio Sr..



August 11, 2022 at 12:53 PM

SD

“ Such a very beautiful tribute to a wonderful man. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you and I'm so sorry for your loss.

Stephanie R Dionisio - August 11, 2022 at 12:22 AM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Frank Palacio Sr..



August 10, 2022 at 10:12 PM

SB

“ What a beautiful tribute to your father. I send my most heartfelt condolences.

Sudzy Ruzanski Benesch - August 10, 2022 at 09:20 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Frank Palacio Sr..*



August 10, 2022 at 09:10 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Frank Palacio Sr..*



August 10, 2022 at 06:59 PM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Frank Palacio Sr..*



August 10, 2022 at 06:50 PM