



Julian Cortez

February 19, 1928 - May 9, 2022

Julian Cortez, age 94 entered the gates of Heaven on May 9, 2022. He is survived by his sister, Ida Avila; children, Michelle (Chuck) Smead, Mike (Rose) Zabalveitia, Renay (Jerry) Perko, Ron (Sue) Zabalveitia, and Debbie (Donnie) DeYoung; 11 grandchildren; 9 great-grandchildren; 1 great-great-granddaughter; and numerous nieces, nephews, extended family, and friends. He is preceded in death by the love of his life for 39 years, Viola Martinez Cortez; his parents; 5 sisters; and 4 brothers. He will always be remembered for having a kind heart and willingness to help others. He was raised in Gardner, Colorado where he learned many lessons in life. His service to US Army includes being a Para-Jumper as well as serving in the Korean Conflict. He retired from Rock Wool and then worked as a handy man where he was a master of many trades. He was also the family top chef, and his green chili would have won any chili cookoff. He loved to fish and hunt. His greatest love was music and dancing, which is where he met his wife, Viola. Kudos to our sister, Renay whom he called "Mama Renay", and nephew, Dan Martinez. Special thanks to the Pueblo Regent staff, where he resided for the past few years. A Rosary will be held Friday, May 20, 2022 at 10am, with Mass to follow at 11am both at Holy Family Catholic Church. Inurnment and Military honors, Roselawn Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Roselawn Cemetery

1706 Roselawn Rd
Pueblo, CO 81006

Previous Events

Recitation of the Rosary

MAY 20. 10:00 AM (MT)

Holy Family Parish
2827 Lakeview
Pueblo, CO 81005

Mass of Resurrection

MAY 20. 11:00 AM (MT)

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Presentation of Military Honors

MAY 20. 12:30 PM (MT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Oh Julian may you R.I.P..you are now reunited with Viola....when I would work you're stories were the best! I also loved the love story of you and Viola...best times were when I would go to work and u were dancing with you're Mexican music on. Rest well my friend...

Sheena V - June 01, 2022 at 08:26 PM

MC

“ I am so sorry for your loss. My dad Alex Arellano worked with your dad at Rockwool.

Mary Ann Combs - May 14, 2022 at 02:45 PM