



Juan Torres Sr.

November 19, 1941 - April 30, 2020

Mr. Juan Torres passed away peacefully on Thursday, April 30, 2020. He joins his parents, Ezequiel and Juana, brother, Domingo, sisters, Maria Agustina and Antonia, and granddaughter, Kayshla, in eternal life.

Juan was born in Coamo, Puerto Rico on November 19, 1941. He enjoyed music (música jibara), travelling, family outings, dancing, playing different instruments or at least attempting to. He enjoyed bowling, baseball and dominoes.

In 1963 he moved to Milwaukee, WI where he met his soul mate who after six months became his wife, Carmen Torres. They married on November 28, 1964. From their beautiful union four children were born. Juan is survived by his wife, Carmen and four children and their spouses, Elizabeth Torres (Carlos), Juan Torres Jr. (Mirta), Raquel Santiago (Jaime) and Migdalia Caraballo (Jehovel). He has two brothers: Geronimo and Julio (Elba), seven sisters: Olga, Dolores, Eva, Isolina, Rosa (Juan C.), Adela, and Virgen. Juan is further survived by his 10 grandchildren, 12 great grandchildren and one on the way. Also, many nieces, nephews and countless extended family and friends. All held him in the highest regard and loved him dearly.

Juan was a man of his word. He was honest, kind, gentle, loving, and dedicated. He worked for Longview Fibre Co. and International Paper for

many years and was a devout member of St. Francis Parish in Milwaukee, WI and later, St. Thomas of Aquinas in St. Cloud, FL. Many church members remember him playing the role of Jesus during the Passion reenactment.

In 2003 Juan made the decision to relocate to Kissimmee, FL to make that his new stomping ground. His children followed very soon after and made Florida their new home. That is where Juan alongside Carmen dedicated their lives to raising their grandchildren.

Juan was loved by many and will live in our hearts forever.

A Funeral Mass will be held at St Thomas of Aquinas in St. Cloud on May 14, 2020 at 11:30. Masks and social distancing is required.

The Family of Mr. Torres requests, in lieu of flowers, that memorial contributions be made to St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church.

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

MAY 14. 11:30 AM (ET)

St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church
700 Brown Chapel Road
St. Cloud , FL 34769

Tribute Wall

RS

“ I miss seeing those beautiful green eyes. I miss my Pop so much.



Raquel Santiago - May 09, 2020 at 11:33 PM

JD

“ I am not saying goodbye but what I will say until I see you again. The many get togethers the lessons you taught me as young boy living in your home along side with Johnny,Lily and Kelly as a baby Dalia wasn't born yet. Tio you and Tia took me in accepted me as one of your own children with no bias nor ill feelings! Thank you and Tia for some of my life's teachings I will forever be grateful!!! your son/nephew Josito!

Jose Diaz - May 06, 2020 at 10:58 AM

LI

“ All of my memories of Tio Juan included Tia Carmelita. Their relationship goal was something I always looked forward too when I got older. I thank God that that is what I found and to know this true happiness in a marriage is something I knew they had. They were always together. Always had eachothers back. Always put their children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren first. They would do anything for any of them.

One of the many memories I have is when they moved to Florida and I would take my 20 hour drive, Tio would always say I was crazy for doing it year after year. Him and Tia would always be one of the 1st to come see us at mami's house. When I'd tell them I'm stopping by for a quick visit, 6 hours later I'd still be saying it's getting late and they would say Esta bien, si yo no duermo. LOL. I am proud that my children got to experience tio's love. They adored him especially Yazmin who would walk there from mami's house to visit them both.

We love you and will miss you. Give Kayshla a big hug for me. Miss her and love her too.

Lizzy - May 06, 2020 at 09:20 AM

LT

“ Lily Torres lit a candle in memory of Juan Torres Sr.



Lily Torres - May 06, 2020 at 06:56 AM

LT

“ Ay mi papito chulo... que duro esto... you just don't have a clue how many times i've sat in front of my computer and just stared, i've wanted to write a memory there are so many, I don't want to give this nightmare validity, My heart hurts to realize that I no longer can hear your voice either to give us our blessings (Dios te bendiga) or reprimand me, or tell me i'm so angry since my daughter being snatched away from us, or just to sit around and talk about any and everything.

When I first found out that I was pregnant with Kayshla, You didn't judge me or say anything negative although I knew you were a little upset because I had gotten pregnant without being married and because you knew the struggle i'd have as a single parent, but You didn't hesitate to take on the responsibility of her father, she (Kayshla) was the eyes on your face, as they say and in your eyes she could do no wrong, for that my dear father I thank you.. because that was an eye opener love IS blind and non judgemental.

In the recent weeks I became more and more concerned about you because all you spoke about was your deceased granddaughter to me which took me to the grim reality that she was calling you she was yanking you in, and with your weariness and ailments and suffering in pain it is ok... you are not here physically papi.. but I feel your presence and it feels so good. I'm at peace that the gates to heaven opened and God and your granddaughter, who I know has the most beautiful smile on her face elated with happiness received you with opened arms.

The love of your life, our mami, your one and only is sad and rightfully so, but please do not worry about her, we will take care of her she will be fine we will NOT let her out of our sight I promise you that.

I thank you my father for being the best father in the world, I miss your presence. I thank you for my sibling and for being so good to all 4 of us, I thank you for always showing us and giving us the best

you could, I thank you for our upbringing, the morals and values you and mami have instilled in us all... We are united and Will remain that way...

Que papa Dios te tenga en su Santa Gloria y nos veremos ... te amo mi viejito chulo

Lily

Lily Torres - May 06, 2020 at 06:55 AM

JA

“ *Janira Alvarado lit a candle in memory of Juan Torres Sr.*



Janira Alvarado - May 06, 2020 at 04:45 AM

JA

“ My dear grandpa, my heart hurts to know that you are no longer on this earth with us to continue to create memories. I am so very thankful for the memories that we were blessed to share with you. I never realized that you were the only grandpa in my life until Pote said it and now that I think of it, I know exactly why I never realized it. It's because of your presence, your endless love, your interaction, you always being there in my life; is why I never felt the absence of any other grandfather because you filled that and never allowed us to feel that we were ever missing out. I thank you so very much for that! You were such a special man and now a special angel. Heaven is so lucky to have you. Grandpa was a funny man, he always made people laugh. I remember as a kid having sleepovers at grandpa's house and he loved watching Judge Judy and he'd tell boo boo you wanna go to Judge Judy and she was so scared of her and boo would say I don't wanna go to Judge Judy and grandpa would just chuckle. I also remember us kids taking turns to sit in grandpa's lap so he can pretend that our armpits were the strings of a guitar as he tickled us and sung a song as we laughed. When he'd see me down or not smiling, he'd say don't laugh or don't be so happy and immediately that would put a smile on my face. Or he'd ask me tu conoce a lulo. Lulo was not even a real person but he'd still ask cause he knew that it made us laugh. He always wanted to see his family all happy and smiling, and that we did especially in his presence. Man life is so unfair at times and sometimes I question why death occurs but it's only cause I hurt, my heart hurts but I try to be strong and I have faith that I will see you again grandpa. I love you forever and thank you with my whole heart for being the man that you were and continue to be. If only heaven had stairs I'd walk up to give you a big hug and kiss and tell you how thankful I am for you and how much I love you. God bless you grandpa 💔😭



Janira Alvarado - May 06, 2020 at 04:41 AM

DF



Dalia and Family - May 06, 2020 at 08:40 AM

DF

“ Dalia And Family lit a candle in memory of Juan Torres Sr.



Dalia and Family - May 05, 2020 at 07:16 PM

DF

“ Pop I miss you so much already.. This pain is unbearable..😞 I know you are happy now because you are in a better place. You are now my angel standing beside my dear niece Kayshla.. I love you so much. I will forever cherish that beautiful innocent smile of yours.. I am eternally grateful for having you as my father. Thank you for everything you've done for me and my family and for everything you've instilled in all of us.. All my memories with pop were great but one thing that I will never forget is sitting in the garage with you and Jehovel having a beer or two behind Mami's back because she didn't want you to drink because I know it wasn't healthy for him but he enjoyed it. (Sorry Ma).. and pop singing VAMOS PA LA PLAYA A BEBER MEDALLA, (although I know the song didn't go like that) it was his remix and I enjoyed it.. You will never be forgotten and you will always have a special piece of my heart. You are my number one.. the girls and Jehovel send their love and Sheylani sends you a TE AMO PAPA... (I think she thought he didn't know English).. Time to rest now mi papi bello. I LOVE YOU!!!❤️❤️❤️

Dalia and Family - May 05, 2020 at 07:10 PM

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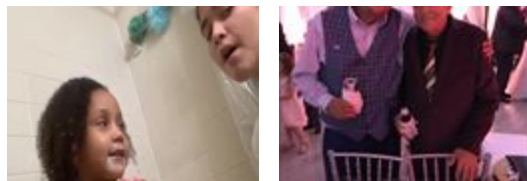
“ *Aurora Reyes lit a candle in memory of Juan Torres Sr.*



Aurora Reyes - May 05, 2020 at 04:42 PM

PI

“ *Juan con el corazón triste te deseo un buen viaje al cielo. Primero que nada gracias por darme el privilegio de ser parte de esta familia y gracias por aprobar y apoyar el matrimonio con tu hija Kelly. Son tantas las memorias que tengo de ti pero las que más voy a extrañar son las que hemos tenido en la noche buena desde que nos mudamos para la Florida no hemos fallado un año asando el marranito de navidad y como olvidar cuando Johnny y yo estábamos bregando con el cerdo y escuchábamos el abrir de la primera cerveza temprano por la mañana y nos decíasque buenas están!!! aunque fuera la única que te tomarás en el día .siempre eras unos de los primeros aquí pendiente a probar el cuerito. ya no van hacer iguales la navidades si tu presencia. Gracias por todas las memorias lindas que llevo grabadas para siempre Descansa en paz suegro hasta que nos volvamos a encontrar*



Pito - May 05, 2020 at 03:20 PM

RS

“ 9 files added to the tribute wall



Raquel Santiago - May 05, 2020 at 01:51 PM

MT

“ I will miss my father in law very much. He was always kind and loving. We have a lot of great memories. He was our rock of the family. Thank you pop for being the best father in law in the world. Love you very much.



Mirta Torres - May 05, 2020 at 01:10 PM

RS

Wonderful memories ❤️

Raquel Santiago - May 05, 2020 at 01:53 PM



“ *Carlos Rivera lit a candle in memory of Juan Torres Sr.*



Carlos Rivera - May 05, 2020 at 12:44 PM



“ *pops gonna miss you we had a lot of great times but no more pain pops now you an angel with your granddaughter watching over us see you on the other side love you pops*

Carlos Rivera - May 05, 2020 at 12:44 PM

RS



Raquel Santiago - May 05, 2020 at 01:53 PM

VC

“ *My dear Juan. I became part of the family back in 1991. He treated me like I was his niece and was the most laid back, calm and nicest man I have ever met! He always had a smile on his face. He always had jokes. In the 20 plus years that I knew him, I never ever saw him angry, sad or in any negative way! That is truly an amazing trade. I have never met anyone like that. I have so many memories from dancing to playing dominoes. He will be truly missed! Thank you for treating me like I was family. I will cherish our memories. Till we meet again! Love you xoxo*

Viviana Crespo - May 05, 2020 at 11:19 AM

RS

Thank you Vivi ❤️

Raquel Santiago - May 05, 2020 at 01:52 PM

RS

“ *Mi querido padrecito, cuanta falta me haces. Tengo el alma en pedazos pero estoy conforme que ya no tienes dolor, que ya no te falta la fuerza, y que ya puedes descansar en paz en la Gloria de Dios junto a los seres queridos que se nos han ido. Love you always, always, always.*



I have lots of beautiful memories with Pop, but one that we shared every year since my family moved down to Florida is Christmas. Pop was the first one to check how much a pound of pork was and asked Pito and me when we were going to place the order to have a pig to roast on Christmas Eve. He'd say, "Ya ordenaron el marranito?" Pop never missed it, and no matter what, he was always here. Even if he was in the hospital he made sure he told the doctors he had to be out by Christmas Eve.

Pop was so excited about the little house we're building. That was going to be his and mami's, and with so much happiness and pride, Pito and I would send Papi text messages with update pictures. I wish we could have finished sooner. We're still at it and we will finish it.

I will always remember going to Echo Bowl to watch him play...he was in the league...he was that good. Pop played softball too and was so strong, and always looked like a movie star with his beautiful green eyes. I remember when we'd go to Pike Lake for family picnics and the way he knew his way around when we traveled. And how he treated my kids. He'd say, "Sashi, you're so beautiful" and he'd talk about how good Alex plays baseball. Papi would chuckle a little every time he'd see kids move bath in the outfield when Alex was up to bat.

OMG! and some of things that would come out of his mouth. I'd even get embarrassed sometimes because he was so brutally honest, but that was him. He said what he felt most of the time unless he was so upset that instead he didn't speak at all. You could

tell just by looking at him that something was up.

Oh and when I first introduced him to "Alexa." I'd call mami and she'd say, "Ahi esta tu padre en el garage con Alexa escuchando musica." He loved listening to music.

Papi was such an amazing role model for me and I am eternally grateful and proud to call Mr. Juan Torres my dad. He was the best of the best and will live in our hearts forever. I felt his love and so did Pito, Alex and Sasha.

Papi, the first man I loved and will continue to love forever and ever. We feel lost without you right now, Papi, but we will be ok. You taught us all so much, you loved us all so much, and we will cherish how you touched our lives until our last breath. Te adoro con todo mi corazon, viejito lindo.

Raquel Santiago - May 05, 2020 at 10:23 AM