



# Andrew Gavin Olguin

April 25, 2002 - September 11, 2024

## In Loving Memory of Andrew Gavin Olguin

Our beautiful son, Andrew Gavin Olguin, graced this earth for 22 precious years. He entered into eternal rest on September 11, 2024, in Glendale, Colorado. Though his time with us was brief, his impact was immeasurable, and his memory will live on in our hearts forever. From the moment Gavin was born, we knew he was destined for greatness. His early years at Bonham Academy and later at Travis Early College were marked by his fierce determination and natural leadership. As Student Council Class President, he inspired his peers with his vision and compassion. Gavin's participation in the Academic Decathlon/ Octathlon and the Science Alliance revealed his boundless curiosity and love for learning. His dedication to the Anti-Bullying Campaign as President showcased his unwavering commitment to justice and kindness. He was also a cherished member of the Debate Team and the National Honor Society, where he fostered a sense of community and mutual respect.

Gavin's academic journey was a testament to his brilliance and perseverance. As a Scholar at the UT Health San Antonio Voelcker Biomedical Research Academy, he delved into crucial research on HPV and cervical cancer health disparities among Hispanic populations. Driven by a desire to make a difference, he often advocated for the underserved and overlooked. His

remarkable ability to balance his high school studies with college courses at San Antonio College allowed him to earn an Associate Degree alongside his High School Diploma, a truly extraordinary achievement. His academic pursuits continued at Texas A&M, where he earned a Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology. Gavin's thirst for knowledge and passion for helping others led him to Baylor University to pursue a Master's degree in Social Work, which he later continued at the University of Colorado, Colorado Springs. His dedication to his studies was matched only by his genuine care for those around him.

While living in Colorado, Gavin enjoyed spending time with his boyfriend Shane, the love of his life, as well as their dogs, Allison and Gustavo. He made time to discover local coffee shops, was always eating fast food, and loved hiking the Rocky Mountains with his permed curly hair blowing in the Colorado wind. His work at Orangetheory Arvada was more than just a job; it was a place where he found friendship and a sense of belonging. His colleagues became his second family, as his warmth and generosity touched everyone he met. Gavin's smile was like sunshine, brightening the lives of those around him. His laughter was a melody that brought joy and comfort. He had a rare gift for making everyone he spoke to feel like they were the center of his universe. Gavin saw no strangers—only friends he had yet to meet. His heart was vast, and his love was deep, embracing everyone in his orbit. He was selfless to the core, always ready to lend a helping hand or offer his jacket to someone in need. His incredible memory meant he never forgot a face or a story, making everyone feel valued and cherished.

From the very first moment Gavin entered this world, he had his older brother Nathan to look up to. For Matthew and Aaron, Gavin was nothing short of inspiring. His accomplishments filled them with such pride that they would eagerly share stories about him with anyone who wanted to listen. When Matthew joined the family, Gavin penned a heartfelt letter to his new sibling, promising his unwavering love and support. With Aaron, Gavin saw a smaller

reflection of himself and thrived on being involved in his daily life. He made it a point to play Monopoly, enjoy pool time, guide them through life's little challenges, and listen intently to their stories.

He embraced his role as their eldest brother with the utmost seriousness and dedication, pouring his heart and soul into it. As a son, Gavin was nothing short of a treasure. He filled our lives with pride and joy, kindness and boundless humor. Even as an adult, he cherished moments lying between Andrew and Gen loving to cuddle and sharing countless hugs that warmed our hearts. Gavin had a knack for giving thoughtful gifts on special occasions, always making us feel cherished and appreciated. We are honored and blessed to be chosen as his parents. Looking back, it turns out as we were raising him, he was teaching us too. Gavin's gentle and loving spirit was a beacon of light in this world, and his presence will be sorely missed. His legacy of kindness, empathy, and compassion will forever be a guiding star for those who knew him. Rest in peace, our Gavin. Your light will continue to shine in our hearts, and you will always be remembered with love and admiration. Forever in our hearts, Gavin. You will never be forgotten.

Andrew Gavin Olguin is preceded in death by his great grandmother, Florinda Acuna Mendoza and grandmother Amelia Barrios Mendoza. Gavin is survived by his father and mother; Andrew and Geneve Olguin, three brothers; Nathan (Lizbet), Matthew, Aaron; paternal grandparents Guadalupe and Juanita Olguin; maternal grandparent Cruz Mendoza, aunts and uncles; Irma and Ralph Mora, Christopher Olguin, Cruz and Petra Mendoza, Gloria and Tim Kaufeldt, Oralia and Johnny Valadez, cousins; Melanie, Benjamin, Kristen, Cruz (Lino), Michael, Jason, Ilyssa, Marissa, Mercedes and nieces; Olivia and Emilia Olguin.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **22.** 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels South, Cemeteries & Crematories  
1700 SE Military Dr  
San Antonio, TX 78214  
(210) 924-4242  
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

## Rosary

SEP **22.** 6:30 PM (CT)

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*~ Services conclude after Rosary ~*

# Tribute Wall

AL

“ I remember growing up with Andrew and he was definitely unforgettable. A great friend in elementary, middle school and even highschool. I will always remember the plays we were in together.

Alexis - December 06, 2024 at 02:32 PM

RC

“ He gave me this book during 7th grade, Rest in peace Mr.Olguin



Ryan Chahine - November 07, 2024 at 07:38 AM

RC

“ Mr.Olguin was my teacher back in 7th, back then I used to think he was a mean teacher that hated me, but now after 2 years I realize that he didn't hate me, his strictness was a way of showing love to me and my other classmate, him being strict was actually him looking out for us and helping us reach great heights.



Ryan Chahine - November 06, 2024 at 06:32 PM

KA

“ he was kind of an opp but like rip

kayla - October 09, 2024 at 04:27 PM

AM

“ *God bless*



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**Alize Morales** - October 09, 2024 at 04:26 PM

AL

“ *he framed me for drawing an offensive drawing even though it wasnt me but like rip*



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**alyssap** - October 09, 2024 at 04:12 PM

KA

*real*

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**kayla** - October 09, 2024 at 04:28 PM

AR

“ *r.i.p champ*



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**arhianna** - October 09, 2024 at 03:02 PM

EO

“May you find peace and tranquility.”  
“With deepest sympathy, may you rest in peace.”  
“Rest easy. ...  
“May the journey ahead bring you peace.”  
“Your legacy will forever be a guiding light. ...  
“In loving memory of a life so beautifully lived.”  
“Gone too soon, but always cherished.”

Elias Ochoa - October 09, 2024 at 03:00 PM

RG

“ 1-0  
Said i wasn't gonna amount to nun

Robert Garza - October 09, 2024 at 02:27 PM

IS

“ God bless



isabella - October 09, 2024 at 02:00 PM

IS

“ This is Noelia and Isabella he was our  
teacher in 7th grade he would always lightening  
up our days always give us food give us advise  
and always there when we needed someone to  
talk to miss you hopefully your in a good hand  
peace and love to the family... God Bless



isabella - October 09, 2024 at 01:59 PM

EM

“ *Emery lit a candle in memory of Andrew Gavin Olguin*



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**Emery** - October 09, 2024 at 12:38 PM

EM

“ *I knew this man when I was in 7th grade, he was a great teacher playing Taylor Swift most days. I will never forget the impact he had on my life in every good aspect. He did have a nice sassy attitude to brighten up every one's mood. God bless.*

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**Emery** - October 09, 2024 at 11:59 AM

AH

“ *My sincere condolences to Gavin's loved ones. I was in class with Gavin at Baylor and worked with him in an internship placement. He was incredibly generous with his time and helped me find my footing while I was learning an online system. Gavin provided intentional care to clients and was truly invested, going above and beyond. He had a gracious presence. May he rest in peace.*

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**aimee h** - October 08, 2024 at 10:04 PM

VC

“ *My heartfelt sympathies to Gavin’s loved ones. I had the pleasure of meeting Gavin as a freshman at Travis ECHS, and from that moment until graduation he radiated joy, kindness and a remarkable enthusiasm for school activities. Among the countless students I’ve encountered over my 35 yrs of substituting in SA and beyond, Gavin shines as a beacon of hope and inspiration. His extraordinary legacy-a harmonious blend of warmth and infectious optimism and impeccable character-will forever hold a sacred place in my heart. Rest easy Gavin...Mrs V Castaneda*

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**Velma Castaneda** - September 24, 2024 at 11:02 PM

## “ God's Lent Child

*I will lend you, for a little time,  
A child of mine, He said.  
For you to love the while he lives,  
And mourn for when he's dead.  
It may be six or seven years,  
Or twenty-two or three.  
But will you, till I call him back,  
Take care of him for Me?  
He'll bring his charms to gladden you,  
And should his stay be brief.  
You'll have his lovely memories,  
As solace for your grief.  
I cannot promise he will stay,  
Since all from earth return.  
But there are lessons taught down there,  
I want this child to learn.  
I've looked the wide world over,  
In search for teachers true.  
And from the throngs that crowd life's lanes,  
I have selected you.  
Now will you give him all your love,  
Nor think the labor vain.  
Nor hate me when I come  
To take him home again?  
I fancied that I heard them say,  
'Dear Lord, Thy will be done!'  
For all the joys Thy child shall bring,  
The risk of grief we'll run.  
We'll shelter him with tenderness,  
We'll love him while we may,  
And for the happiness we've known,  
Forever grateful stay.  
But should the angels call for him,  
Much sooner than we've planned.*

*We'll brave the bitter grief that comes,  
And try to understand.  
Edgar Albert Guest*

*Our hearts and prayers continue for you and your family.*

*Bernie & Anita Aleman*

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**Anita Aleman** - September 24, 2024 at 12:30 PM

UG

“ *It is very hard to accept that I will no longer be able to hug you, play with your hair, call you for IT help and especially sit and chat with you.*

*Uncle Tim & I want to thank you for being so patient with us during our trips to Disney World. You will forever live in our hearts and we will never forget your beautiful soul.*

*God Bless you our sweet Angel.*

*Uncle Tim & Aunt Gloria*

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**Uncle Tim & Aunt Glo'** - September 23, 2024 at 12:09 AM

LE

“ *Andrew was my very first friend at Travis. I'll always remember walking into that cafeteria a scared 14 year old and Andrew sitting with me with the widest smile I've ever seen, asking me everything about myself. His smile was comforting and made you feel so loved. He was such a big part of my most formative years. I will forever be grateful to have known him for the time that I did. He was a great leader and an even better friend. May he rest in peace.*

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**Lexi** - September 22, 2024 at 10:00 PM



“ *Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Andrew Gavin Olguin.*



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September 22, 2024 at 04:51 PM



“ *My years at Bonham Academy was my time with the students making sure they would not go hungry with Andrew help he made sure every class room received their breakfast he was delicate and on top of making sure breakfast was ready to go . He came in the morning happy and with a smile he did this for 5 years and always was ready me and my staff were very fortunate we love Andrew and always made me happy and proud of him*



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**janie mejia** - September 22, 2024 at 03:08 PM

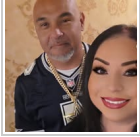


“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Andrew Gavin Olguin.*



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September 22, 2024 at 02:58 PM



“ *Our Condolences to The Olguin Family..Gavin had such a Beautiful soul and will be missed by many. May he RIP.*



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**Sonia Johnny** - September 22, 2024 at 02:22 PM

HW

“ *Hi, I was just getting to know Gavin as I was in his MSW program and carried many of the same classes with him. As stated in the obituary Gavin's smile did light up the entire world around him, his laughter filled rooms and he never once made me feel like a stranger. I am sending all the love I can to his family and close friends and I will carry his memory through out the rest of our graduate program and into my life as a social worker. -HW*

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**hannah w** - September 22, 2024 at 01:35 PM

MH

“ *My Condolences to you cuz and your family. From: The Hernandez Family*

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**Margaret Hernandez** - September 22, 2024 at 01:30 PM

WG

“ *With love- Kim Gray purchased the Serene Reflections Bouquet for the family of Andrew Gavin Olguin.*



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**With love- Kim Gray** - September 22, 2024 at 09:53 AM

JB

“ *What a incredibly beautiful soul Gavin was. We were lucky enough to call him family. Blessed enough to spend time with him growing up. Fortunate enough to watch him grow through all his accomplishments. What an incredible young man. Thank you Olguin family for sharing your beautiful son with the world. We will continue to pray for you all and take comfort in knowing that Gavin will watch over you all in his own way. Love to you all.*

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**Jennifer Byas** - September 22, 2024 at 09:20 AM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Andrew Gavin Olguin.*



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September 22, 2024 at 09:13 AM

BA

“ *Bernie & Anita Aleman purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Andrew Gavin Olguin.*



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**Bernie & Anita Aleman** - September 21, 2024 at 11:22 PM

SC

“ *Stephine cerda purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Andrew Gavin Olguin.*



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**Stephine cerda** - September 21, 2024 at 09:06 PM

YF

“ Your MTB Family purchased the *Enduring Grace* for the family of Andrew Gavin Olguin.



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**Your MTB Family** - September 21, 2024 at 08:21 PM

FF

“ From Esther Miranda & Family. purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Andrew Gavin Olguin.



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**From Esther Miranda & Family.** - September 21, 2024 at 04:00 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Andrew Gavin Olguin.



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September 21, 2024 at 03:04 PM

VF

“ Valdez Family purchased the *Enchanted Cottage* for the family of Andrew Gavin Olguin.



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**Valdez Family** - September 21, 2024 at 01:02 PM

BR

“ Although I met Gavin this semester, he immediately made an impact on everyone, including me. His smile was the brightest, and he exuded excitement and positivity from day one in class. Students told me how thoughtful he was, remembering their names and asking about their day. The first class assignment was to write an introductory discussion post to introduce themselves to everyone and respond to two classmates. Gavin's post and replies were exemplary. As you wrote in Gavin's obituary, he simply shined. His responses to classmates were so thoughtful and opened a discussion dialogue as he genuinely wanted to learn more about people in his class. Gavin's work stood out for several reasons. He was a gifted writer who could express not only who he was but his goals and aspirations. He conveyed in words why he wanted to be a social worker and what he was going to do to change the world. The bottom line is that I knew I had a gifted student in my class, and he would do great things. The world has lost a fantastic man, and he will be missed on our campus and by me as an educator. I have a son who also struggles with suicidal ideation, and I wanted you to know as parents what a beautiful son you had and how he touched all who met him. Warmly, Dr. Billie Ratliff

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**Billie Ratliff** - September 21, 2024 at 10:18 AM

BP

“ Billie Ratliff, Professor purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Andrew Gavin Olguin.



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**Billie Ratliff, Professor** - September 21, 2024 at 10:03 AM

AJ

“ Alfredo and Jessica Jimenez purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Andrew Gavin Olguin.



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**Alfredo and Jessica Jimenez** - September 21, 2024 at 06:18 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Andrew Gavin Olguin.



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September 20, 2024 at 07:42 PM

IM

“ I will miss my nephew for the rest of my life until I see him again in heaven. I will miss your smile, your beautiful eyes and your big heart. I will cherish all our wonderful memories. I will never forget your laugh or your humor. God blessed us with a wonder young man. Twenty-two years was not enough but God needed you back. We are comforted that you are free now. Aunt Irma loves you forever ❤️

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**Irma Mora** - September 20, 2024 at 07:38 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Andrew Gavin Olguin.



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September 20, 2024 at 01:58 PM

WF

“ *With love, Andrew’s Travis ECHS family purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Andrew Gavin Olguin.*



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**With love, Andrew’s Travis ECHS family** - September 20, 2024  
at 01:43 PM

PF

“ *Penny Flores purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Andrew Gavin Olguin.*



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**Penny Flores** - September 20, 2024 at 12:44 PM

BF

“ *Briona & The Vigil Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Andrew Gavin Olguin.*



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**Briona & The Vigil Family** - September 20, 2024 at 12:26 PM

RY

“ I attended high school with this man and every time I saw him, he always had the biggest and brightest smile on his face. Something about him always sparked greatness whether it be within himself or within others. He always greeted me and struck conversation. I did not enjoy my high school as much but he made it tolerable. Watching from a distance the impact he made with others and within his environment always made a difference. I wish I took advantage of the time we've had together even if it was short. Not only was he a great student, but a great leader and an even greater friend. Despite him no longer physically being here, I know his presence is still felt far and wide. May his memories live on and may his soul rest in peace. You are missed, friend.



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**Ryan** - September 20, 2024 at 10:11 AM

MN

“ Mike, sharon, michael Nina, steph nicole purchased the Sweet Sincerity for the family of Andrew Gavin Olguin.



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**Mike, sharon, michael Nina, steph nicole** - September 20, 2024 at 07:19 AM

SY

“ My condolences for the olguin family. There are not enough words or tears to express our sorrow for your family's loss of GAVIN. Just as he was a blessing to your family, he was also blessed to have great parents, brothers and family. We're always here for you ❤️ ❤️ Sylvia Mills and family

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**SylviaMills** - September 19, 2024 at 06:47 PM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Andrew Gavin Olguin.*



September 19, 2024 at 11:41 AM



“ *Mitsie Chaney planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Andrew Gavin Olguin.*

Mitsie Chaney - September 19, 2024 at 11:28 AM



“ *Mitsie Chaney purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Andrew Gavin Olguin.*



Mitsie Chaney - September 19, 2024 at 11:28 AM



“ *You were the person who lit up an entire room with your beautiful smile and loving personality... I hope you knew how much you were loved by your Orange Theory family. I am glad I got to meet you before God decided to call you home.... If there are row machines in Heaven, we will one day have another challenge (smile)*

Vegas Xavi - September 19, 2024 at 10:08 AM

RO

*Amazing, talented, handsome, intelligent and accomplished more in his 22 years than I have in 66 years.*

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**rose** - September 19, 2024 at 10:46 AM

MW

“ *MTB ICU family Maranda, Jessica V, Wanda purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Andrew Gavin Olguin.*



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**MTB ICU family Maranda, Jessica V, Wanda** - September 18, 2024 at 11:14 PM

AK

“ I had the pleasure of working with Gavin in his social work internship at Colorado Legal Services. When he left the room following his interview, the committee and I looked at each other and immediately asked “how long do we have to wait before offering him a position in order to play it cool??” Gavin’s smile was infectious, his laugh beautiful, and being in his presence I always felt instantly comfortable.

On his last day of internship with us, Gavin stayed late in order to join a client’s court hearing with one of our attorneys. He said he didn’t want to miss the opportunity to learn. Thankfully Gavin did stay, because not only did he observe an eviction proceeding, but he jumped in to help our client who was facing the possibility of being unhoused that night by calling multiple hotels until he found one with immediate availability that was willing to let our client stay with his two large dogs. Gavin made a lasting impact on our client’s life in that moment, and we are so proud and thankful that he chose to intern with us.

I am so thankful to have been a part of Gavin’s life, and I only wish I had the opportunity to learn and grow more with him. What a beautiful soul 🤍

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Amy Keckler - September 18, 2024 at 10:11 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Andrew Gavin Olguin.



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September 18, 2024 at 08:46 PM

SV

“ I had the pleasure of having Andrew(Gavin) in the 5th grade at Bonham Academy. He was a brilliant and kind soul, always smiling and laughing. I remember he read the entire Social Studies book and kids wondered why. I knew that was his thirst for knowledge. He was the kind of student that you wanted to clone. Rest in peace Andrew💖🙏

Sheila Vardiman - September 18, 2024 at 07:55 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Andrew Gavin Olguin.



September 18, 2024 at 06:37 PM

RF

“ Ramirez Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Andrew Gavin Olguin.



Ramirez Family - September 18, 2024 at 06:36 PM

OH

“ Ohana planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Andrew Gavin Olguin.

Ohana - September 18, 2024 at 06:05 PM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Andrew Gavin Olguin.* ”



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September 18, 2024 at 06:05 PM