



Joe R. Moran

February 21, 1948 - September 24, 2007

Moran

Joseph Richard Moran, age 59, was called home to be with the Lord on September 24, 2007.

Joe was born in San Antonio and was a graduate of Burbank High School, living here his entire life. As an avid music lover, he also loved making people laugh. One of Joe's favorite past times was baseball. He loved both playing it and watching it. Joe was a bat boy for the Mission Bullets at age 14. A true Spurs fan, in 1978, Joe was a member of the Baseline Bums for the San Antonio Spurs. Here he was known as "Dancin' J.J., the Bums' answer to Fred Astaire.

In addition, Joe was a former member of the steering committee for the Folklife Festival. He was a retired employee for the City of San Antonio, working for the city for 28 years as a Supervisor in the Building Inspections Department.

As a member of St. Francis of Assisi community, Joe was extremely committed to his faith and to his community. He was loved and respected by anyone who ever met him.

Joe was preceded in death by his niece, Jaime Renee Ledezma and by his mother, Carolina Martinez Gonzalez. He is survived by his loving wife, Cheryl

Ann Moran. Daughter Julie Moran, 2 stepdaughters Farrin Crane and KJ Crane, 1 stepson Jimmy Crane, 5 brothers and their wives, Ernest & Catalina, James & Vilma, Danny & Serena, Stan & Lisa and Charles & Carmen; sister, Lois; stepbrother Conrad Jr. and wife Samantha; 4 stepsisters and their husbands; Virginia & Cruz, Julia & Leo, Janie & Mingo and Trinidad & Richard. He is also survived by 4 grandchildren, David Joseph Alvarado, Natalie Alvarado, Roxanne Alvarado & Anissa Alvarado and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family wishes to express their gratitude to Dr. W. Fernando Trigos, at the Diabetes and Glandular Clinic and to Dr. Gary Clayman, Dr. David Schwartz and Dr. Pierong Yu of M.D. Anderson and their wonderful staff for the loving care in the past year and a half of Joe's life.

Visitation will be at Mission Park Funeral Chapels, 3401 Cherry Ridge, San Antonio from 5-9pm on Thursday, September 27, 2007, with the rosary scheduled for 7 pm. A funeral mass will be held on Friday, September 28, 2007 at 9:30 a.m. at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, 4201 DeZavala Road. Interment to immediately follow at Mission North, 20900 IH 10 West exit Camp Bullis Road.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to the Diabetes and Glandular Clinic, 5107 Medical Drive, San Antonio, Texas, 78229 or The University of Texas M. D. Anderson Cancer Center, 1515 Holcombe Blvd, Houston, TX 77030

Tribute Wall

TT

“ Dearest Cheryl and family,
I don't know what to say that will make you all stop hurting over your loss, but I thought that sharing some thoughts with you about Joe might help. I met Joe in 1983 right after I graduated from law school. I got a job at

Tina Tussay-Cooper - October 01, 2007 at 12:00 AM

BV

“ Dear Cheryl and Family,

I learned of Joe's passing this past week while I was travelling throughout the Western United States. Although we have all known of Joe's illness, it was still difficult to recognize that his journey to God was over.

Our Ex

Bruce Vaio - September 29, 2007 at 12:00 AM

EB

“ Cheryl, my thoughts & prayers are for you & family. I grew to love Joe in a short time. When we met in radiation I always looked for you both. When we finished our treatment, we celebrated. I miss him but know he is healthy & comforted now in wonderful wa

Ed Bowman - September 28, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ Cheryl,
I am so sorry that Joe lost his battle against cancer. I remember your ACTS talk and know from that just how much his presence in your life meant. Having just lost my mother I know how we can rejoice that our loved one is with God and no longer

Mary Huebscher - September 28, 2007 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ Cheryl and family:

I'm so sorry to learn of your loss. I remember our waiting times together at MD Anderson. I know Joe is in a better place but it does not make it easy for the ones left behind. Our prayers are with all of you. God Bless you and your

Pam Bowman - September 28, 2007 at 12:00 AM

CV

“ *From the Vasquez/Martinez family we give our deepest sympathy. May you have the strength of the Lord with you.*
Love,
Carolina G. Vasquez and children
Anastasia Martinez-Escamilla
Victor Manuel Martinez Jr.
Marcos Jaime Martinez

Carolina G. Vasquez - September 28, 2007 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ I was saddened to learn of Joe’s passing. I worked with Joe for many years before he retired. I never knew his serious side. He had a funny sense of humor. His joking, smiles, laughs, & sarcasm were endless. He will be missed.
Sincere condolences,

Rachel Rangel - September 28, 2007 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ What a tremendous loss. Joe was one of those rare extraordinary gentlemen you encounter during your life. Always upbeat, full of life, funny, caring, charismatic, and charming. I will sorely miss him and our conversations and banter. He set a high bar

Kevin Burton - September 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ Dear Mrs. Moran,

I consider myself blessed to have met you and Mr. Moran during your time at M. D. Anderson. Through everything, you both approached life with humor and positivity. He clearly understood what amazing family and friends stood with him,

Beth Beadle - September 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ My prayers are with you during this time of loss. I met Joe in 1982 when I began working for the City. Joe called me "Chris" not really sure why but it was just one of those things that stuck during our friendship. I can always remember laughing and sm

Deborah L. Almendarez - September 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ *May the love of family and friends keep Joe's memories alive. God bless.*

Debra Dimando - September 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ *Joe It,s true you never met a stranger.keep up with your singing and with all the wonderful work and help you gave to everyone.Will we meet again in God's Kingdom.*

Rupert H. Garcia - September 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

EL

“ *Cheryl Ann,
I wish we could be there just to hold you close and tell you how sorry we are. I did not know Joe well but I knew he meant the world to you so that was enough for me to know he was a good guy. Sue and I are praying for you daily. We love you!*

Ed and Sue Laird - September 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ *Your were a real pain at times, but you were a great guy. Made my softball days enjoyable & challenging. You will be truly missed.*

Diane Blake DJ

Diane Blake - September 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ Our neighborhood became a source of pride with Joe’s involvement in the HOA. His strength of character made an impression on my daughter, Katie, who dearly loved working as a lifeguard under his guidance this summer. He was a role model for young people i

The Garza Family - September 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

NC

“ He was a good friend for 20 years, he will always be remembered.

Diana Rivera & Nadine Cruz

Nadine Cruz - September 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

PL

“ God bless you all. We will always remember Joe as our Santa. He will always be a part of our LSE family. Love you.

Phyllis Leesman - September 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ Please accept my sincere condolences at the loss of your loved one. I also worked for the City of San Antonio and clearly remember Joe. His smiling face is what stands out in my mind as I remember him. A true professional and great person, he was respe

Margaret Ramirez - September 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ Cheryl, My heart breaks for you and the loss of Joe in your everyday life. But my heart rejoices for Joe knowing he is in heaven able to look down on you with his great loving heart. I will be in Dallas during the services, but know that my love and so

Barbara Morale - September 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ *A sweeter man I never met and since I have been accused of knowing everyone at St. Francis, that is saying something. I will really miss seeing him but know that he will be seeing me often from his seat in heaven.*
Much Love from your Sister in Christ,

Beth Hemmi - September 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ *Cheryl,*
As I read about your husband, Joe, I can't help but think 'no wonder God was ready for him to take his place in Heaven'. He sounds like a wonderful man and now gets to share all that fun and love with others up above. I pray for God to give you

The Unger Family - September 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

TV

“ *Dear Cheryl,*
Please know that we continue to lift you and Joe up in our prayers. I will miss his gentle presence--especially at morning mass on Tues and Thurs. We were so blessed to have him in our lives!
May you feel God's loving arms holding you up

Tammy and Hector Villasenor - September 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ Cheryl
Mere words can not express my compassion and sense of loss I know you have now. I use these words every day after having lost my dearest Lettie last year. They are a consolation. Let them do the same for you.

I used to think of heaven as a

Bill McGarry - September 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ *My prayers are with your family. I briefly worked in the same department Building Inspections - City of San Antonio with Joe. He always made me laugh. May he rest in peace.*

Tiffany Bryson - September 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ *Our deepest and heartfelt condolences to Cheryl, and all the extended Moran family.*

Mr. & Mrs. I. Macias, Jr - September 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *"I can only imagine, what it will be like when I walk by Your side. I can only imagine, what my eyes will see when your face is before me. I can only imagine. Surrounded by Your glory, what will my heart feel, will I dance for You Jesus or in awe of Yo*

Melanie McCracken - September 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ Dear Cheryl and family,
My heart goes out to you and my prayers are that God help you and give you the strength you need at this trying time. I grieve with you, Cheryl. Joe was a wonderful husband and so loving. His memory and heart will forever remain w

Debbie Perkins` - September 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SG

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you. I know your heart is breaking now, but knowing god has your angel up in heaven and he's watching out for all of us down here makes us smile. Blessings to you & your family.

sylvia vasquez & girls - September 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ Moran Family,
Sincerest condolences and deepest sympathy during this difficult time. I work with the City Finance Dept and have known Joe for many years. May God Bless You All and Hold You in His Loving Hands.

Letie Wawrzyniak - September 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Joe was always the most welcoming and hospitable guy at church. Both before he became ill and after, I always saw the room lit up by a bright, big smile, and a big hug. He always seemed to have something humorous to say at just the right moment and he d

Juancho Bierlein - September 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

RN

“ Thank you Joe for being a part of the ACTS Retreat team that ushered me into this wonderful world of ACTS. You will always be Aquila - thank you for "inviting" me to your home.

Rufino Navalta - September 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ May Joe rest in peace. I will dearly miss him. He was my supervisor for years. I used to call him "Joe Mama" quite often. I'll never forget what he did to my son when he was three months. I took my son to work, to introduce him to everyone and Joe got

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Carolina Garcia - September 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SD

“ Dear Cheryl and family,
I am so sorry to hear of your loss. I know he fought hard and it is never easy when your loved one is very sick. I pray that you will find strength from the Lord to carry you through this. Just knowing that he is not sufferin

Sandy Davis - September 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

AG

“ My prayers are with the Moran family. May God bless you always:

A VISION

*An angel sang in the heavens tonight
and welcomed another soul with pure delight*

*A soul that left loved ones behind
And suffers no more, is peaceful of mind*

The angel

Alicia Griego - September 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

LV

“ Leonel and I would like to express our deepest condolences to Cheryl and the family. You will be in our prayers to give you strength at this time of sorrow. Leonel and I will miss Uncle Joe and his great smile and great personality.

Leonel and Beatrice Vasquez - September 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

TR

“ Cheryl and Family,

I am saddened to hear of the loss of a wonderful husband, father, brother, grandfather, uncle, son and child of God. Psalm 34:18-19 tells us The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit. A righteous

Tara Roe - September 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ My prayers and thoughts go out to you and your family DAILY!! You now have an angel looking down from Heaven over yall with a perfectly healthy body...celebrate him!!! hugs, Darcee

Darcee Grivel - September 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

LO

“ I am so sorry to hear about Joe, he was a great man. He always had something funny to say and he kept me laughing. He was a real inspiration to me. I know he will always be with us in our hearts. Life will not be the same without him but we still have our

Lori - September 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

FP

“ Our prayers and thoughts are with the Moran family,

Fernando / Angela Perez - September 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

KA

“ Dear Cheryl and family,
I wanted to let you know how sorry I am about your loss. He sounds like he was a funny, caring and wonderful man. I am sure he will be missed. I know he is being embraced by the Lord and probably making him laugh with a little

Kathy - September 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JV

“ My family's prayers are with your family at this time. I really enjoyed getting to know Joe through the homeowner's association. I appreciated his guidance as an experienced board member to a new member. We are going to miss his caring for the community!

Jenny Vogtlin - September 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

FL

“ I been missing Joe since the day he stop coming by our Development Service Office. Joe always smiling and cracking jokes. He never complaint about us saying not to the issuance of his building permit. I will never forget the great person Joe was.

Fernando J. De Leon - September 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

CA

“ Cheryl, My heart goes out to you and your children. I know this is a hard time, but I also know the Lord is with you always. May his endless love hover over your family as you endure these hard times. Please know that you are in my prayers always. Lov

Connie Acevedo - September 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ I am so sorry for everyones great loss. My heart goes out to you Cheryl most of all.

"I am not sure exactly what heaven will be like, but I don't know that when we die and it comes time for God to judge us, he will NOT ask, How many good things have y

Jacquelyn Hoover - September 25, 2007 at 12:00 AM