



Julian Lee Barrera Sr.

December 29, 1953 - September 19, 2024

Julian Lee Barrera Sr. was born on December 29, 1953, and passed away on September 19, 2024, at the age of 70. Julian was preceded in death by his parents Louis Barrera Sr. and Marie Rivas Castoreno, and stepfather Jesse E. Castoreno; and brother Rudy Gaitan. He is survived by his loving wife of 51 years Maria Morua Barrera; sons Julian L. Barrera Jr (granddaughter Araceli Sol) and Lee A. Barrera (Colette); grandsons Jaden Lee and Liam Anthony; daughter Crystal Barrera Hernandez (Mike); sister Ruby Gaitan Rios (Jesse); brothers Louis Barrera Jr and Eddie Barrera. Julian loved music, dancing, going fishing and working in his yard. He loved to laugh and joke around and was always ready to help others. He loved his grandchildren but most of all loved his family. Julian will be greatly missed.

Cemetery Details

San Jose Burial Park

8235 Mission RD
San Antonio, TX 78214
(210) 923-0272
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **25**. 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/>

Recitation of the Rosary

SEP **25**. 6:00 PM (CT)

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

Holy Mass

SEP **26**. 11:30 AM (CT)

St. Gerard Catholic Church
1523 Iowa St.
San Antonio, TX 78203

Tribute Wall



“ *Mission Park Funeral Chapels & Cemeteries created a Tribute Video in memory of Julian Lee Barrera Sr.*



Mission Park Funeral Chapels & Cemetery - October 17, 2024 at 04:28 PM

ER

“ *My deepest condolences to the Barrera family, Julian was a true friend, always willing to help out , loved to fish and hang with friends, did not have an enemy in the world, truly a good man and a great family man, he will be dearly missed, rest in heaven my friend*

Eli Rios - September 26, 2024 at 11:26 AM

RR

“ I spent a lot of my younger years with Uncle Boy. I remember working as a painter for him during summer breaks from school. I learned how to paint like a pro with expert technique. If I knew someone was painting, I'd show up to help and share the knowledge which was always appreciated. I looked forward to working with him and couldn't wait for the morning routine which involve a cup of coffee and a smoke. We'd talk shop and he always treated me with respect and trusted me to do the job right. It wasn't ALL serious business. There was always music blaring through a boom box and I remember wondering what Cousin Rudy & Uncle Eddie WERE laughing at. It was Uncle Boy dancing gracefully with a mop. 🕺 That was some funny sh!! But, that man could dance! Whether with a mop, Aunt Lupe, Crystal, Daye, etc, he'd stay on that dance floor keeping up with the DJ or the band. I'll never forget one early morning he'd come in to wake me up and wanted to show me something cool outside. Well, it had snowed. I'd never seen snow before and he introduced me to his snowman that he'd just made. I was, I think, around 8 yrs old, half asleep and remember wondering if it was an awesome dream I was having. It was surreal, but it was so real. And, the time I'd learned to drive a truck with a standard transmission...3 on the tree! It was an old yellow Dodge or Plymouth and just to keep straight down the road, I had to turn the steering wheel full right, full left and every place in between. You'd think I was trying to dodge my way out from the middle of a meteor shower. So much fun, laughter and yet another unforgettable happy time. ❤️ OH! Just one more! I promise. Okay. My friend and I, just middle schoolers at the time, thought we'd take drums, a guitar, a couple amps and a microphone and runaway to my aunt's and uncle's house. A cab driver who thought we'd escaped from a mental institution(no joke) asked for \$\$ up front and helped us unload gear at our stop on Highland. The following day while setting microphone levels, Jimi Hendrix's song "Crosstown Traffic" was being played LOUDLY on the drums by Uncle Boy! Not sure if he knew that song or if he was just pounding a beat, but I knew that beat was that song. We(my friend and I) just looked at



each other and knew we both sucked on drums! Glad I brought a guitar. Man! He made up some funny lyrics on the spot while recording with myself on guitar trying to play a polka. I so wish I had that recording, now.

I love you, Uncle Boy and I'm very grateful and thankful for the times we shared. You've play a large role in my life and I know I've contracted some of your quality traits. I'll never forget you. I'll never stop talking highly of you. I know in my heart that we'll laugh together, again. For now, take a load off and Rest in Peace Uncle Boy. ❤️

Rich Rios - September 26, 2024 at 01:55 AM

FC

“ *To our wonderful cousin Julian. Our family was truly blessed to have a cousin like you. You will be missed but not forgotten. Our thoughts and prayers are with your entire family. Love you, Prima Fuzzy Dominguez-Cisner & Family 🙏*

Florence Cisner - September 25, 2024 at 08:33 PM

DF

“ *de la Garza Family purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Julian Lee Barrera Sr..*



de la Garza Family - September 24, 2024 at 10:50 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Julian Lee Barrera Sr..*



September 24, 2024 at 12:13 PM



“ *RIP Joe. I'm sure glad I got a chance to see you when and Maria celebrated your 50th wedding anniversary. Just know you are in a better place. And I ❤️ will always be here for your family. Love always Ms. Claudette V Zeno Love you Maria, Crystal, Julian and Lee.*

Claudette V. Zeno - September 24, 2024 at 01:56 AM



“ *My condolences to the entire Barrera family. Julian was a great and caring friend to our family. He was always willing to lend us a helping hand. He was taken too soon but I guess God must have needed him at this time. He will be missed so much. Hope he is now dancing his heart away in Heaven!*

Ana Maria Rios - September 23, 2024 at 08:03 PM



“ *Condolences to the entire family. Fond memories of a great man. Gone too soon!
Fly high primo... Adrian Dominguez family*

Rosanne Dominguez - September 23, 2024 at 03:56 PM

ML

“ To the Barrera Family -
Mr. Barrera was an amazing man who made
me smile every time I saw him. His legacy of
humor and love for life lives on in Julian,
Crystal, and Lee. “Joe’s” journey is not over...
“for when the earth claims your limbs, then you shall truly dance.”
Looking forward to the time when we will dance together again.
Peace be with the Barreras.



Mona L Lopez - September 23, 2024 at 03:25 PM

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“ Still trying to accept the fact that you're no longer with us. Great
memories of hanging out at your house on the front porch or in our
backyard listening to music and me trying to remember a good joke
to tell you. Rest easy my friend and save us a seat....until we meet
again.

Richard Rios - September 23, 2024 at 02:25 PM