



## Oscar S. Castro

January 15, 1951 - June 1, 2009

Oscar Sandoval Castro, 58 passed away unexpectedly at home on June 2, 2009. He is survived by his wife Susan, children Joseph and Cristina, as well as brothers and sisters Domingo, Hector, Joe Frank, Nacho, Angie, Happy and Irma. He is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews extended family and friends. Oscar was born in Uvalde, TX where he lived until he went to Minnesota to attend Moorhead State University. Growing up Oscar worked as a migrant farm worker and in the late 60's became an early leader and spokesman for the Chicano movement and the Mexican American Youth Organization MAYO. Oscar was involved in some of the early school walkouts for Chicano rights in Uvalde and Crystal City. He fought against discrimination against Chicanos in the Vietnam War draft as well. After college Oscar stayed in Minnesota and made a career with the Minnesota Department of Corrections where he first worked with juveniles and started a winter camping experience for youthful offenders. He later became a counselor/supervisor with the unique Anishinabe Longhouse, a cultural based halfway house for Native American offenders. Oscar spent many years in service to the migrant and Hispanic communities in Minnesota, serving on the Boards of Directors of many community organizations including the Minnesota Migrant Council, Migrants in Action, Neighborhood Justice Center, and Central Legal. After retiring from Corrections, Oscar moved back to Texas with his family in 1993. He spent his time playing pool in the Bexar County "8" Ball Association and expanding his cooking skills, but mostly he enjoyed caring for and loving his

family. He lived his life with wisdom, purpose, passion and with great, great love. He will forever be in the hearts of those who knew and loved him

## SERVICES

A visitation will be held from 6:00 – 9:00 PM at Mission Park Funeral Chapels North on Friday, June 5, 2009 with a Memorial Service to begin at 7:00 PM. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to the Tuberous Sclerosis Alliance, 801 Roeder Rd, Suite 750, Silver Spring, MD 20910 or at [www.tsalliance.org](http://www.tsalliance.org).

# Tribute Wall

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“ To My Sister, Joe & Cristina: I want you all to know that I love all of you very much! Susie, I know that Oscar loved you so very much and he will always watch over you to keep you safe from harm. Joe & Cristina: Your Dad loved you with all of his heart

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**Ann Wenzel Conley** - June 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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“ Extending our heartfelt condolences on the loss of your loved one. Directors & Staff at Mission Park Funeral Chapels North

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**Mission Park Funeral Chapels North** - June 07, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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“ To the Castro family my condolences. Don't think that Oscar has left you, he will always be there in his children, families and friends. Waiting with God until we are all together again.

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**George M Padilla** - June 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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“ Oscar, was always happy and making me laugh. He will truly be missed by all who had the privilege to know him. To Oscar's , family there are no words anyone can say. That will make you, feel better in your heart during these difficult days. My deepest condolences

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**Hector L. Servantes** - June 04, 2009 at 12:00 AM