



## Ralph Canales Jr.

December 28, 1953 - February 5, 2021

Ralph Canales Jr. is survived by his wife Karen; daughters Tina (son-in-law Paul) and Melissa Canales; grandchildren Parker, Payton, and Aimsley; brother Luis (sister-in-law Susan); nephew Taylor; niece Rylie; several aunts, uncles, and cousins; and many friends whom he loved like family.

On February 5th, 2021 after a covid-related heart attack he was reunited with his parents Rafael Canales Sr. and Corina Canales; his brother Javier; and his daughter Amanda.

Ralph lived for the day and packed in two lifetimes worth of memories into his life. His infectious laugh and trademark cough will ring in our hearts forever. He loved helping others and being there for his friends and family. He never forgot a face and always had a story to share. He was an amazing father who loved his children with all his heart. Whether it was through Indian Princesses (a father/daughter program), coaching his kids' soccer teams, or cooking out at the park he loved spending time with his daughters and grandchildren.

He loved traveling the world, riding bikes, sipping coffee on the porch in the morning, and gardening with Karen. The 20 years they spent together were full of love and joy. He was also an avid bike rider and participated in several cycling events. His favorite was the Hotter in Hell in which he rode with his brothers, best friends, and wife Karen. He also looked forward to going

hunting with his uncles and cousins every year.

The number of people whose lives he touched is astounding. He never met a stranger; many of his patients became close personal friends. He was always willing to help those less fortunate, whether donating hearing aids to an orphanage in Ukraine, or finding a “deal” for a patient who couldn’t afford the hearing aid they really needed. He greeted everyone with a genuine hug and welcoming smile and many considered Ralph their best friend.

He will be missed by many and never forgotten. We know he is with Amanda and his friends and family telling wild stories while drinking Coca Cola, eating Doritos and Oreos and watching the Cowboys almost make the playoffs.

The Celebration of Life for Ralph will be on May 21st at 3:00 at Mission Park North on 3401 Cherry Ridge SA, TX 78230. We will also be streaming the service on the Mission Park Website; just search for Ralph Canales Jr. on their site at <https://www.missionparks.com/obituaries>.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

MAY 21. 3:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels Cherry Ridge  
3401 Cherry Ridge Dr  
San Antonio, TX 78230  
(210) 349-1414  
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mission Park Funeral Chapels & Cemeteries created a Webcast in memory of Ralph Canales Jr.*



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**Mission Park Funeral Chapels & Cemetery** - May 21, 2021 at 03:54 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



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**Mission Park Funeral Chapels & Cemetery** - May 21, 2021 at 07:45 PM

KC

“ *We were office neighbors at 1901 NW Military Hwy and then later he "followed me" up the street to 2161 NW Military Hwy to be office neighbors again. We shared a common bond as Cowboy fans. When I saw Ralph, he was usually smiling. May family and friends find comfort in their grief. - Kent Copeland*

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**Kent Copeland** - May 21, 2021 at 06:11 PM



“ *Sweet Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Ralph Canales Jr..*



May 21, 2021 at 10:20 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ralph Canales Jr..*



May 20, 2021 at 08:46 PM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Ralph Canales Jr..*



May 20, 2021 at 10:49 AM



“ *Butch, Hedy & Nic Jouffray purchased the A New Sunrise Spray for the family of Ralph Canales Jr..*



**Butch, Hedy & Nic Jouffray** - May 19, 2021 at 06:00 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Ralph Canales Jr..*



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May 18, 2021 at 03:47 PM



“ *Mike lit a candle in memory of Ralph Canales Jr.*



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**Mike** - May 18, 2021 at 12:26 PM



“ *I love you Dad. I miss you everyday.*



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**Melissa Canales** - May 18, 2021 at 09:12 AM