



Robert "Bobby" Edward Garza

September 19, 1953 - July 12, 2020

It is with great sadness that the family of Robert "Bobby" Edward Garza announces his unexpected passing on Sunday, July 12, 2020 at the age of 66. Bobby will be lovingly remembered by his wife of 40 years, Melinda and his children, Nathaniel (Clarissa) and Ruby. He will also be fondly remembered by his two grandchildren, Audrey and Michael, who were the loves of his life. Bobby was born September 19, 1953 in Mission, Texas where he grew up and graduated from Mission High School in 1971. In 1978, he and Mel relocated to San Antonio where he began his career as an electrician and eventually in 2005, they started an electrical contracting business, BG Electric. BG Electric's success and growth was largely due to sheer word-of-mouth referrals -- a true tribute to Bobby's skills and knowledge of the trade, charismatic personality and overall hard work and efforts. He was well known in the field as "Bobby G."

Fishing and hunting were Bobby's passion, especially with his brother, friends and family. Bobby was a true die-hard sports fan. His favorite teams were the San Antonio Spurs and the Dallas Cowboys. More than anything, he wanted both teams to win their sixth ring. He never faltered even during the losing seasons for the teams. His motto was, "Win, Lose or Tie, I'm a Fan 'til I Die"... and he was. Maybe now he can serve as their spirit guide to those championships. He was also an avid music lover and a collector of Beatles music and memorabilia. He considered the Beatles the greatest musical group of all time and knew the lyrics to most of their songs.

Bobby had health issues. He had Type 1 diabetes for 25 years and cancer for two years. He did everything possible to prolong life and took great care of himself. He was a fighter and a true warrior when it came to battling those diseases and was determined to live life to its fullest. And that he did—'til his time ran out.

Bob was preceded in death by his father, Eddie and mother, Grace. They had eight children and Bobby was number four and the first male child. Life was never dull in that household. He is survived by six sisters and one brother: Gloria (Gutierrez) and Linda (Alaniz) from San Antonio, Cynthia (Tom) Weber from Corpus Christi, Iris (Moises) Iglesias from Mission, Richard from Corpus Christi, Mary (Ray) Flores from Sharyland and Christine from Corpus Christi. He is also survived by numerous cousins, nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews living throughout the country. He will also be greatly missed by his many friends from Texas Ice where he was a loyal and daily patron for many years. A Celebration of Life service and luncheon will be held on Saturday, Sept. 19, at 11:00 a.m. at St. Gregory's Catholic Church Parish Hall, 700 Dewhurst, San Antonio, Texas.

Details will be posted on missionparks.com and shared on Facebook.

Previous Events

Celebration of His Life

SEP **19**. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Gregory the Great Catholic Church Fellowship Hall
San Antonio, TX

Tribute Wall

MS

“ To Melinda and All The Garza Family, Frank and I would ask you to accept our heartfelt condolences at this time of great loss. Bobby thank you for your laughter and friendship. You had a heart of Kindness that made us feel so blessed to call you friend. Rest In Peace. You will be greatly missed .



Mr.&Mrs.Frank and Joan Simoncelli - July 30, 2020 at 01:01 PM

YF

“ I am deeply honored and blessed to have known Bobby. I hope you can take some comfort in knowing he was a lovable and kind person and a great guy. I will forever carry him in my heart.
My favorite memory of Bobby would be his James Brown Impersonation.
“A person that departs from this earth never truly leaves, for they are still alive in our hearts and minds, through us, they live on.”
My deepest sympathies go out to Melinda, Ruby, Nate and the Garza family during this difficult period. May you find the comfort and peace that you seek and may the soul of Bobby rest in peace.



Yvette Hester, a family friend - July 29, 2020 at 11:43 AM

DH

“ Dearest Bobbie, you will be missed.

Diane Holden - July 28, 2020 at 09:49 PM

BR

“ Prayers to the family



Beverley Randow - July 27, 2020 at 04:50 PM

DH

“ Our hearts sank at The Texas Ice house when we all heard and shared the loss of Bobby. What a kind soul with such a warm smile. He was always so kind and helpful...from us needing electrical needs to just letting people “bend his ear in conversation”. It’s still hard to believe...we all wish he could just walk back to life out of his pictures. We thank the Garza family for sharing him with us at the Texas Ice house family. God bless each of you during this time. I pray that your memories will sustain and comfort each of you.
Debbie Newman at Texas Ice House

Debbie Newman from Texas Ice House - July 26, 2020 at 02:05 PM

SB

So very sorry. He was a good and kind soul. Thoughts and prayers to all the family and friends.

Susan Alexander and sister and bella - July 26, 2020 at 05:34 PM

DS

“ Bobby you will be missed..rest in peace Susan Tx Ice

Debbie Newman from susan schoefeld - July 26, 2020 at 02:00 PM

DN

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Debbie Newman - July 26, 2020 at 01:55 PM

HS

“ Bobby we all loved you dearly and are saddened at your passing. We are reminded in real time that life is but a vapor and we should cherish every moment we have. You left behind my sister Mel, who deeply grieves your loss as well as my niece Rubinski and nephew Naches (as we would lovingly call them). Years past you learned the electrical trade from our father, Heron Longoria. I hope you have found each other in heaven and are saying prayers for us who are left behind to mourn your loss. Rest in Peace Bobby. Love, Hilda.

Hilda Longoria Solis - July 22, 2020 at 03:07 PM

MD

“ 3 files added to the album Memories Album



Maria Davis - July 20, 2020 at 07:04 PM

MD

“ *Condolences to Mel, Ruby, Nat and the Garza family. May Bobby Rest in Peace. Sharing the wonderful memories we had while taking a break from Softball to watch the Dallas Cowboys in Houston. Robert West, Maria Davis and the Davis Boys.*



Maria Davis - July 20, 2020 at 07:02 PM



Condolences from the De Luna Family

Jimmy De Luna Sr. - July 23, 2020 at 04:53 PM

IV

“ *Installing Pioneer speakers to back of my Dodge Duster!!!! Bobby somehow just just knew how to do that without reading directions!!!*

Ivy - July 20, 2020 at 09:00 AM

JG

“ *Our condolences to the Garza family. Bobby was a great man thank you for all your hard work you did for our entire family, no one to replace you. May you Rest In Peace.*

Gonzales, Alvarado and Hemphill families

joann gonzales - July 19, 2020 at 11:58 PM

ID

“ My condolences to all family members. What a beautiful obituary. Mel, I'm so sorry to hear of the news. I didn't know Bobby but it sounds like he had a great active life. What a journey - I know that living all those wonderful years with a wonderful family doesn't make it any easier to say goodbye. It's probably a lot harder for that matter. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family as you mourn and celebrate his life.

Irma Davila - July 19, 2020 at 11:24 PM

MT

“ Thanks Bobby Garza for always being a genuine guy to my dad, Bobby Tijerina. He was always ecstatic to see you. He would hype you up so much before you would visit, he had me thinking you were some sort of celebrity. May you Rest In Peace. My condolences to the Garza family.

Marco Tijerina - July 19, 2020 at 10:38 PM

EG

“ Sorry to hear of your loss i new bobby for many years may he rest in peace eliseo (eli) garza

Eliseo eli garza - July 19, 2020 at 06:37 PM

LG

“ it is with great sadness that I say goodbye to Bobby, life partner to Mel and father. I was a guest in their home several times and he was always generous and kind. My heartfelt condolences go out to Bobby's family and friends. Mel, Ruby and Nate a big virtual hug and know that you are all being prayed for. God Bless. Abrazos fuertes. Lisha



Lisha Garcia - July 19, 2020 at 11:40 AM