



Simon Galindo III

April 11, 1986 - November 2, 2008

Simon Galindo III, born April 11, 1986, joined his Father in Heaven on November 2, 2008. Simon is the beloved son of Simon and Deborah Galindo and the nephew of his devoted and cherished aunt, Mary Gonzales. He is survived by his brothers, Hector Hernandez and Richard Rendon Jr. Melissa, sisters Margaret Hernandez, Janis Herrera Gilbert, Tracy Hernandez, and Amber Rose Galindo, grandmother, Josefina M. Gonzales, uncles, Joe Galindo Florinda, Raymond C. Gonzalez, Jr. Carmen Bennett, mother, Sylvia Hernandez Martinez, and his aunts, uncles, and cousins of the Aranda family. Simon graduated from Holmes High School and worked as a data entry clerk at USAA, CareMark, and the Texas Dept. of Transportation. Simon's passion was dancing and traveling with the Scikotics Car Club, whose members will serve as pallbearers. Throughout his courageous battle with leukemia, he was surrounded by the many, many friends and family members whose lives he touched and whom he blessed with his grace, his kindness, and his love of life. To know Simon was to love him. The family extends their deepest gratitude to the entire medical staff on the 6th floor of the University Hospital for their unrelenting efforts and exceptional care throughout his illness. Visitation will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 5 from 5-7 p.m. at Mission Park North, 3401 Cherry Ridge; Rosary at 7:00 p.m. Procession for the funeral will depart from Mission Park North on Thursday, Nov. 6 at 9:30 a.m. Mass will be at St. Paul's Catholic Church, 350 Sutton Drive at 10:00 a.m. Interment will follow at San Fernando Cemetery III.

Signed with Love

The father jumps up as soon as he sees the doctor come out of the operating room. He asks the doctor, 'How is my little boy? Is he going to be all right? When can I go and see him?'

The doctor answers, 'I'm sorry. We did all we could, but your boy didn't make it.' The father with tears in his eyes turns around and cries out, 'Why do little children get cancer? Doesn't God care any more? Where were you, God, when my son needed you?'

The doctor asked, 'Would you like some time alone with your son? One of the nurses will be out in a few minutes before he's transported to the University Hospital. The nurse comes out and takes him to his son's room where the father touches his head and runs his fingers lovingly through his hair. 'Would you like a lock of his hair? The father nods his head to say yes. The nurse cuts a lock of the boy's hair and puts it in a plastic bag and hands it to the father. The father with trembling words manages to say, 'It was Jimmy's idea to donate his body to the University Hospital for study. He said it might help somebody else'. I said no at first, but Jimmy said, 'Dad, I won't be using it after I die. Maybe it will help some other little boy spend one more day with his dad.' He went on, 'My Jimmy had a heart of gold. Always thinking of someone else. Always wanting to help others if he could.'

The father walked out of Children's Mercy Hospital for the last time, after spending most of the last six months there. He put the bag with Jimmy's belongings on the seat beside him in the car.

The drive home was difficult. It was even harder to enter the empty house. He carried Jimmy's belongings and the plastic bag with the lock of his hair to his son's room. He started placing the model cars and other personal things back in his room exactly where he had always kept them. He lay down across his bed and hugging his pillow he cried himself to sleep.

It was around midnight when he wakes up and lying beside him on the bed was a folded letter and the letter read as follows:

Dear Dad,

I know you're going to miss me; but don't think that I will ever forget you, or stop loving you, just 'cause I'm not around to say 'I Love You'. I will always love you, dad, even more with each passing day. Someday we will see each other again.

Until then, if you want to adopt a little boy so you won't be so lonely, that's okay with me. He can even have my room and old stuff to play with.

Don't be sad thinking about me. This really is a neat place. Grandma and grandpa met me as soon as I got here and showed me around some, but it will take a long time to see everything. The angels are so cool. I love to watch them fly around.

And, you know what, Dad? Jesus doesn't even look like any of the pictures I have seen of Him before. Yet, when I saw Him, I knew it was Him. Jesus Himself took me to see God! And guess what, dad? I got to sit on God's knee and talk to Him, like I was somebody important.

That's when I told Him that I wanted to write you a letter, to tell you good bye and everything. But I already knew that wasn't allowed. Well, you know what dad? God handed me some paper and His own personal pen to write you this letter and I think Gabriel is the name of the angel who is going to drop this letter off to you.

Hey dad, God said for me to give you the answer to one of the questions, you asked Him when I died at the hospital. "Where was God when I needed Him? God said He was in the same place with me dad, as when His Son, Jesus died on the Cross. He was right there as He always is with all His children. Oh, by the way, dad, no one else can see what I've written except you. To everyone else this is just a blank piece of paper. Isn't that cool? I have to give God His pen back now, He needs it to write some more names in the Book of Life.

Guess what dad, tonight I get to sit at the table with Jesus for supper. I'm sure the food will be great. Oh, I almost forgot to tell you. I don't hurt anymore the

cancer is all gone. I'm glad because I couldn't stand that pain anymore and God couldn't stand to see me hurt so much, either. That's when He sent The Angel of Mercy to come get me. The angel said I was a Special Delivery! How about that dad!?

Signed with Love from God, Jesus and Me!

Tribute Wall

DG

“ Little Simon, We celebrated your 24th birthday with you in spirit. I want you to know that I miss you and I know you are well now. But I am having a hard time living without you. One of my comforts is that I know we will see each other one day. You are

Debbie Galindo - April 15, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ Baby! Is what I always called you when you were here with us. I think about you everyday. I miss you so much. The wonderful memories of the good times we shared is what keeps me going everyday. You and I shared something special and I will always cherish i

Deborah Galindo - April 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ To the families of "Little Simon."
May God continue to bring much comfort and healing during this difficult time. The "Little Angel" that was sent to you for awhile always fly back up to Heaven.

2 Corinthians 1:3 - "Thank God the Father of our Lord Je

Grace Lujano - December 06, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SJ

“ Simon it's been 1 month since you left us, but to me it feels like it was yesterday. The pain that I feel everyday is so overwhelming that I just go thru the motions to keep me going. When you passed away Poppy a large part of me died with you. I will never

Simon Galindo Jr. - December 02, 2008 at 12:00 AM

AR

“ Want some Cranberry Juice? : Aw Simon thank you for such great memories and hilarious jokes you shared with us. Even on our wrost days you always managed to turn a frown upside down! You are greatly missed. It was an honor to have met you and your family

Andrea, RN and Rosanna, RN - November 17, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ God bless the Family.

Debbie Harris - November 06, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ What can I say other than awesome, thats what you are. You accepted as a friend from the start. We had some good times, and I'm glad it was with you. I'm proud to say that I was apart of your life. I miss you roomie."Simone" dance in peace.

Matthew Rodriguez - November 06, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CA

“ Simon
You are the brightest star ever made in the Heavens. The boys and I will truly miss your jokes, laughter, kindness and love.
As I always whispered to you...
I love-love love you Sci...
Keep on dancing Love!

Carmen Marie Aranda - November 05, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ Dearest Simon,

I will forever miss you! You always brought joy to those around you. To have half the heart you did will be a goal I will forever strive for. Keep on dancing!

Always,

--Cory--

Cory Lime - November 05, 2008 at 12:00 AM

EJ

“ R.I.P. BAM BAM

Edward DeLuna Pena Jr. - November 05, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TR

“ *I will truly miss dancing with you, my friend. But I know we will dance together again, someday. I've always loved your great attitude, and your fun-loving spirit. You will be dearly missed, and NEVER forgotten. Thank you, Simon, for allowing me the p*

Tommie Robinson - November 05, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ *Lil Brother,*

I couldn't ask for anything better than you. You always made sure I was good before yourself. If things weren't wright you changed it for me always. I would not know how to repay you for all your kindness. I'm glad I was able to take

Janis Herrera - November 05, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ You will always be in our thoughts and hearts Simon..And for those of us who knew you,we were the ones truly blessed 2 have you in our lives..

Marisol Perez - November 05, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ TO MY THIRD SON SIMON.I WILL MISS YOUR LAUGH YOUR JOKES AND YOUR FITS.BUT MOST OF ALL I ENJOYED YOUR PATIENTS,HELP AND DIDN'T EVER JUDGE MY ADVICE TO YOU .YOU WERE A GOOD LISTENER.BUT MOST OF ALL I WILL MISS SEEING YOUR SCION COMING UP THE ROAD LOVE FORE

CHRISTINA PENA - November 05, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Dearest Nephew: How will we live without you, without your smile, your happiness, your never-ending positive attitude. You made each and everyone of us feel like we were the most special person you ever met. In actuality, you were the most special pers

Mary Barrera - November 05, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ Simon, Debbie & Family: Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. May you gather strength from the spirit of your loved one and from our Lord.
Peace & Prayers,
Carmen Weston & Family

Carmen Weston - November 05, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LT

“ LIKE MANY OTHERS THAT KNEW SIMON THERE IS SIMPLY ONE WORD TO DESCRIBE HIM; VIBARNT. EVEN THROUGHOUT HIS STRUGGLES HE MANAGED TO KEEP A SMILE ON HIS FACE AND THAT'S HOW I WILL REMEMBER HIM, AS WILL MANY OTHERS. YOU WILL FOREVER BE IN OUR MINDS AND YOUR ENE

Liddo Hernandez A.K.A. TECKNO-boy - November 05, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ For Simon...I am deeply sadden but understand that you are in a better place now. You always have been and will always be a little brother to me and Hannah. You are one of those rare individuals who come along much too seldom. I feel blessed to have ha

Jaxs - November 05, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ R.I.P Simon
Even signing this i still can't believe that you are gone. it brings tears to my eyes knowing there is one less amazingly great person missing from this hell we called earth..guess you seem lucky in heaven : you always taught me never to take

Chelsea - November 05, 2008 at 12:00 AM

VA

“ i didn't know you but i knew you thru myspace! and i know that the times i would talk to and i was sick you would always tell me to leave it in the lord's hands! never once did you complain you were sick, and i felt sad when i heard you died! thank you so

valeria - November 05, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MG

“ *...the will of GOD will never take you....where the Grace of GOD can not protect you...my deepest sympathy to debbie and family...*

madelene garza - November 05, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ *We knew you as "Little Simon"...I knew you as Little Simon with the big smile and a big heart.You brought so much joy and laughter to those around you.You will be missed dearly, but we must live with the faith that we will all someday be together.Untill t*

James Aranda - November 05, 2008 at 12:00 AM

AR

“ *I'm grateful I had the privelige of calling Simon my friend. He brought a lot of joy to my life. He helped me be a better person. He will be missed but never forgotten. My prayers are with you. God bless.*

Andrea Rios - November 05, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ *Simon was one in million he will be missed by many and he will never be forgotten. I was glad to a part of his family and he will always have a special place in my heart.*

Marcella Barrera - November 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM