



Carlos Efrain Buenfil

April 5, 1990 - June 4, 2025

Efrain Buenfil, affectionately known as "Los" or "Bro," passed away on June 4, 2025, in Weslaco, Texas, at the age of 35. Born in Pontiac, Michigan, on April 5, 1990, Carlos left an indelible mark on the lives of those he loved, blessing them daily with his compassion, playfulness, and unwavering faith.

He pursued higher education, earning a bachelor's degree in marketing and a minor in English from the University of Texas Pan American. Carlos also proudly served his country in the U.S. Navy, embodying dedication and courage throughout his time in service.

Beyond these accomplishments, what many admired most about Carlos was the depth of his heart beneath a seemingly tough exterior. Those privileged to truly know him experienced his playful, silly side—a joy reserved only for those closest to him.

Carlos had an exceptional talent for making others feel special, carefully learning the little details of what brought joy to each loved one's life. His love for his parents, Mia and Miguel Zuniga; siblings Nichole Aguilera and George Buenfil and Christopher Zuniga; his grandmother, Sue Ruelas; and his grandfather, Juan Ruelas, reflected the breadth of Carlos' affection and kindness.

Carlos is survived by his loving family and his wife, Zabrina Buenfil and his 5 Children Leo Rodriguez, Ebony Rodriguez, Diego Rodriguez, Jayden Landeros, and Riot Buenfil.

Above all else, Carlos treasured his relationship with God, consistently

expressing gratitude and acknowledging the grace bestowed upon him. His faith guided and transformed him; he once was lost, but through faith, he became found.

In his free time, Carlos passionately supported his favorite football team, the Detroit Lions. It was through sports that he found joy, camaraderie, and excitement, enthusiastically cheering them on season after season.

Though he has left this earth, the legacy of his generous spirit and faith-inspired life endures in the hearts of those he touched. As Carlos himself wisely said, "Don't let your yesterday's faults dictate the outcome of today's results." These words continue to inspire strength and resilience in each of us as we cherish and remember his remarkable life. Visitation will be held on Thursday, June 12, 2025, from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. with a chapel service at 7:00 p.m. In respect to Efrain's wishes this concludes all funeral services. Funeral services are under the direction and care of Rudy Garza Funeral Home of Mercedes Texas.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUN 12. 1:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

Rudy Garza Funeral Home
236 S. Ohio Ave.
Mercedes, Texas, TX 78570
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Chapel Service

JUN 12. 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

BN

“ RIP CB. Appreciate the late night conversations and daily bible verses. Rest easy, brother. Much love. One pride loves you.

Bobby Nuggets - June 24, 2025 at 05:36 PM

LA

“ I didn't know Carlos personally but I saw his love for his nieces and his worship to God at church. I will continue looking towards his usual spot and picture him worshiping in heaven. I continue to say my prayers for his family and friends. I'm so sorry for your loss.

Liz Ayala - June 13, 2025 at 09:44 PM

CE

“ Carlitos, like his dad George Buenfil used to call him.. you were always shy when you came around and it was our weekend to have you all..look at you, hiding behind one of boys.. I knew you since you were about 8yrs old i believe. You were always special. That smile tho was incredible. You will always be in my heart ❤️ and I will always pray for your family. My hearts aches to learn of your passing, but now you can celebrate with your Dad and your loved ones. I'm beyond grateful that you had God in your heart. We made lots of memories together, with Nicole And Georgie, and my 2 sons Jon & Michael. Rest easy Carlitos. You are missed already, but forever remembered. So proud of you. Until we see you again.. love you. Cynthia ❤️



Cynthia Espinosa - June 12, 2025 at 08:55 PM

UD

“ UTRGV Revenue Cycle Department purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Carlos Efrain Buenfil.



UTRGV Revenue Cycle Department - June 11, 2025 at 06:40 PM

A.

“ Carlos... my heart is broken to learn of your passing. You were such a beautiful light in this world. I was thinking back to the first time we met in 6th grade and how amazing our friendship turned out to be from then on. I miss your laugh so much..it was infectious and so joyful. I will miss you forever my friend.. please watch over us down here. Love you!

A.G. - June 11, 2025 at 03:48 AM

RG

“ I will always remember Carlos as a very proper and polite young man who sat up front at church, his face beaming as he worshipped with all his heart. We express our most sincere condolences to the family and are praying for God's comfort and strength. We will miss seeing him worship and caring for his nieces. You're in our thoughts and prayers.

Humberto and Rosie González

Rose Cavazos Gonzalez - June 10, 2025 at 05:17 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Carlos Efrain Buenfil.*



June 10, 2025 at 08:58 AM



“ *A great friend. Always wished him the best in life! Loved him as a brother. My deepest condolences, praying for his family. Rest is peace my dear friend. You will be missed so much.*

an old friend - June 09, 2025 at 09:36 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Carlos Efrain Buenfil.*



June 09, 2025 at 12:29 PM



“ *Renea Sylvena Henry purchased the Care and Compassion Spray for the family of Carlos Efrain Buenfil.*



Renea Sylvena Henry - June 07, 2025 at 03:12 PM

RH

“ Renea Sylvena Henry planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carlos Efrain Buenfil.

Renea Sylvena Henry - June 07, 2025 at 03:12 PM