



## Rafael Noe Saldivar Jr.

July 7, 1960 - January 5, 2023

7/7/1960-1/5/2023

Rafael Noe Saldivar, Jr., 62, of Harlingen, Texas, went into eternal rest on Thursday, January 5, 2023. Rafael was born in San Benito, Texas on July 7, 1960, to parents, Rafael Noe Saldivar, Sr., and Jesusa Trevino. Rafael is preceded in death by his parents, two sisters, Maria Victoria Resendez and Monica A. Saldivar, one brother, Baldemar Saldivar, and one nephew, Roque O. Saldivar, Jr. Rafael is survived by five siblings: Minnie S. Medellin, Juan Manuel Saldivar, Ricardo Saldivar (Tammy), Roque Saldivar (Lisa), Veronica Saldivar, one brother-in-law, Joel Resendez, and Jessica, whom he loved like a daughter. Rafael is also survived by his nephews, Pedro "PJ" Medellin (Adriana), Juan Rafael "Jr" Medellin (Yvonne), Denver A. Saldivar, Ricky Saldivar, Alex Saldivar, Randy O. Saldivar, Gabriel Saldivar, Baldemar Saldivar, Jr., and Joel Resendez, Jr. Rafael is also survived by his nieces, Laura Saldivar, Ashley Saldivar, Isabella Saldivar, Rebecca Zamora and Johanna R. Ziemer. Also surviving Rafael are his great nieces and nephews, Aiden, Aleena, Johnathan, Hailey, and Lexi.

Rafael graduated from San Benito High School and was a clarinet and bass clarinet player for the marching band. Upon graduating from college in Wisconsin, Rafael earned his degree in Sign Language. Rafael will always be remembered as one who demonstrated the importance in lending a helping hand. One such example of this is when he worked with special needs

children during his time with the Texas Migrant Headstart Program in Wisconsin. Rafael was a family service worker with Neighbors In Need of Services (N.I.N.O.S Inc Headstart) from 1994 to 2001. Rafael also assisted special needs children during his time with the South Texas School District and EduCare. Rafael was currently employed with Valley Family Limited, where he was a Caregiver.

A proud San Benito High School graduate, Rafael is remembered for confidently exclaiming "ONCE A GREYHOUND, ALWAYS A GREYHOUND." A true lover of football, it was no secret that Rafael was also a huge Greenbay Packers football fan!

Rafael's memory will undoubtedly be carried on and he will be greatly missed by his friends and family.

Visitation services will be held on Tuesday, January 10, 2023, from 12:00 PM to 9:00 PM with a Rosary at 7:00 PM. Funeral procession will depart on Wednesday, January 11, 2023 at 9:30 AM, for 10:00 AM Mass at Queen of Peace Catholic Church. Burial will follow at Mont Meta Memorial Park Cemetery. Serving as Pallbearers are, P.J., J.R., B.J., Mario Holley, Johnathan Gonzalez, and Galvin Gaona. Serving as Honorary Pallbearers are, Juan Manuel Saldivar (Brother), Ricardo Saldivar (Brother), Roque Oswaldo Saldivar (Brother), Tony Morales, and Aiden Daniel Medellin (Nephew). Services are under the care and direction of Rudy Garza Funeral Home in Harlingen, Texas.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 10. 12:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

Rudy Garza Funeral Home - Harlingen  
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## Rosary

JAN 10. 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *My deepest condolences to the Saldivar families for this devastating loss . I shared many laughs and memories with Ralph he was a great person I will for ever remember him may he rest in peace*



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**martha ibarra** - August 29, 2024 at 02:45 AM

MG

“ *Our sincere condolences Minnie to and your family Ralph was the sweetest caring person may he rest in enteral peace*



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**Mariana and Enrique Garza** - January 10, 2023 at 02:31 PM

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“ *My deepest condolences to all the family. Ralf was a great person with a kindred spirit .. May he RIP*❤️

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**Servanda Solis** - January 10, 2023 at 09:22 AM

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“ *My deepest heartfelt condolences to the family. Ralph touched my heart and of many others. RIP*

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**Elizabeth Tamayo** - January 10, 2023 at 09:16 AM



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**Rudy Garza Funeral Home** - January 09, 2023 at 04:39 PM