



# Mario "Popo" Martinez

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**O**n Sunday, May 21, 2023, our beloved Mario “Popo” Martinez of Pasadena, TX took a one-way flight into the sky at the age of 53. Mario was born on February 2, 1970 in Houston, TX to Martin and Mary Martinez. He is survived by the love of his life and soul mate of 33 years, Yolanda Martinez. His favorite place in the world was by her side and he never wasted an opportunity to be with her. Mario had a joyous nature that was contagious, there was never a dull moment when he was around. He was a father and a friend to many; he leaves behind a legacy of endless laughter, kindness and generosity that will live on forever in the hearts of those who loved him. To his loved ones, he was Popo: a lover of Pepsi, Rocky Road ice cream and his wife’s lasagna. Popo loved fishing, camping and shopping on Amazon but above all, he loved being with his friends and family. He had a heart of gold that knew no limits; he loved unconditionally and wholeheartedly.

Popo’s memory will live on for generations through the children and grandchildren he raised and loved: his daughter Betty, son-in-law Fortino and their 5 children; his daughter Gracie, son-in-law Candelario and their 3 children; his son JR, daughter-in-law Jacqueline and their 4 children; his daughter Iris, son-in-law Arturo and their 3 children; his daughter Matty, son-in-law Geoffrey and their 2 children; and his daughter Maryann, son-in-law JM and their 2 children. His departure has left a deafening silence where there once was laughter and nothing will ever fill that void. He taught us to live in the moment, to never take anything too seriously and to never take anything for granted. We will honor his memory through all the things he loved and when the pain becomes too much to bear, we will smile through the tears because we know he would have it no other way. This is not a goodbye but a “layyy- terrr!... Know what I’m talking ‘bout?”



## Tribute Wall

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LG

**Luis Garcia** lit a candle in honor of Mario.

The world is a lesser place now. There were so many lessons you taught me. Lessons I now get pass on to my son your grandson and for that I am eternally grateful. Some of my foundest memories are with you working on my cars and going on the late night taco runs to Jack in Box and you asking to speak to the Hamburgler, and who can forget the fishing trips they were always a blast. You will forever be missed. Rest easy SEXY and may our ever loving God welcome you home with open arms.

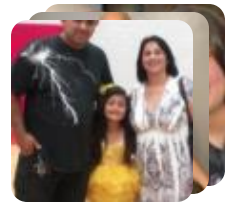


June 6 at 5:53 PM

JO

**Jocelyne** shared 3 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

There was never a dull moment with you popo you always made me laugh and would tell me silly jokes. I remember when you would take me fishing with you and momo and we would just laugh and laugh. I remember when I was little and when ever I would lose a tooth you would tell me you would hold it for me and give it to the tooth fairy for me you made everything so much fun. I'm gonna miss you coming home and being all silly when you would walk through the door.... But I'm glad you got to see me grow up and I'm glad I was able to have such an amazing grandpa like you even though your not here anymore I know you will always be with me and looking over me. I love you forever popo ☐



June 6 at 9:07 AM

IF

**Ivan Fabela** posted:

There was never a dull moment for Mario. He was a spark of life. He didn't care about what was thought of him or anything of sorts. He was an outstanding man that supported his household with no exceptions. He is a good man. I'll always have him in my heart. He gave me an understanding of what a real man and a husband should be. He will be greatly missed. Life isn't fair but Mario didn't care. Mario did what he had to do in all aspects of life. Forever and always will you be missed my dear friend.

June 6 at 4:24 PM



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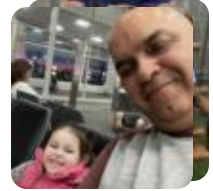
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MA

**Matty** shared 2 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Blue CandleWell daddy , at least before you decided to leave us, you were able to take pj on an airplane . Her very first airplane ride was with you and mom . I remember seeing this picture when you sent it to me and all I could do was cry because I was so scared yet so excited that my baby girl was going to get to experience this with my best friend. Daddy, I miss you more than you can ever imagine .. Maryann and i will continue to talk about you even if that means a little dark humor gets involved lol. Because I'm sure you're up there laughing at us and how crazy we are.. i'll see you one day, don't forget about me up there.



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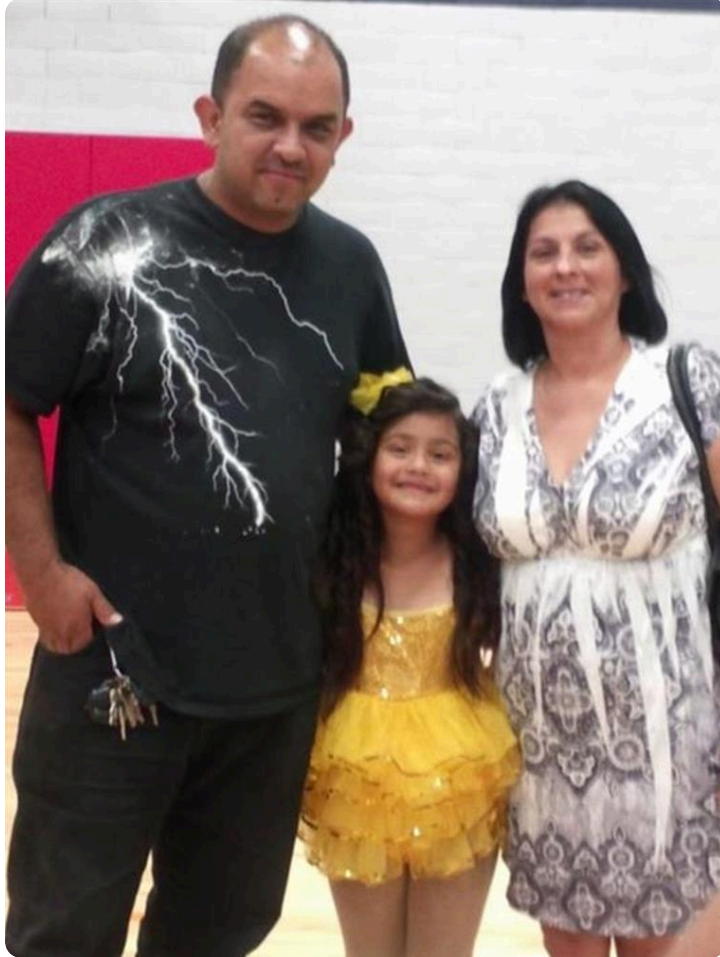
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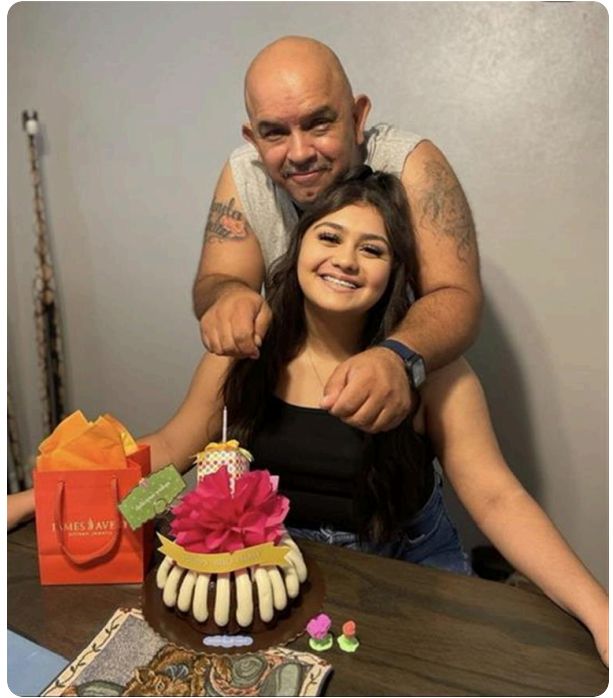


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