



Abel Meza Rivera

August 8, 1935 - May 21, 2016

ABEL MEZA-RIVERA

Abel Meza-Rivera, 80, of Kansas City, KS, passed away peacefully Saturday, May 21, 2016, surrounded by his family and friends. Abel was born in Vicente Guerrero, Durango, Mexico to Santos Meza and Francisca Rivera. Abel loved his family and dedicated his life serving as a living example of his faith.

Abel lived a life that was full of pride, joy, and happiness. His generosity, work ethic, humility and selflessness are all qualities that gained him admiration from his family and friends. He demonstrated these traits again and again through his career and through his work as a Jehovah's Witness.

Abel was kind, caring and compassionate. He fully accepted his illness and taught us strength and humility with his motivation to do everything to the best of his ability, always with a gentle heart and a soft smile. Even as he neared the end of his journey, he found the strength and energy to comfort those he loved. We will always remember and cherish his memory as we continue to pass on his legacy.

Abel is preceded in death by his wife Elisa Meza-Chavez and his sister Abelina Meza-Rivera. Abel was a loving, proud father and is survived by his children and their spouses, Baltazar and Mayela Meza, Manuel and Irma Meza, Maria and Tony Peña, Leticia and Marc Lopez, Patricia Meza, Jorge and Elisa Meza, Jaime Meza, Amparo Meza, Veronica and Tony Arellano, and Roberto Meza. Abel was also a proud grandfather and is survived by 23 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren. He was the oldest of ten children

and is survived by seven brothers and three sisters and many loving nieces, nephews and extended family.

The family will receive friends on Friday, May 27 from 5 to 8pm at Maple Hill Funeral Home, 3300 Shawnee Dr. Kansas City KS, 66106. A Memorial Service will follow on Saturday, May 28 at 4 pm at The Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 1113 South Ridgeview Rd. Olathe, KS. 66062.

In Lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made in Abel's name to the University of Kansas Hospital.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 27. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Maple Hill Funeral Home
3300 Shawnee Dr
Kansas City, KS 66106
(913) 831-3345
info@maplehillfuneralhome.com
<https://maplehillfuneralhome.com>

Memorial Service

MAY 28. 4:00 PM (CT)

The Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses
1113 S. Ridgeview Road
Olathe, KS 66062

Tribute Wall



“ *Maple Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery created a Tribute Video in memory of Abel Meza Rivera*



Maple Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery - May 24, 2016 at 12:17 PM

MM

What beautiful memories.. I will always miss my viejito!

Manuel Meza - May 24, 2016 at 06:42 PM

MS

Beautiful, thank you

Maria Segura - May 24, 2016 at 06:56 PM

LS

I never had the privilege of meeting Mr. Rivera, however, what I do know, is I have had the great honor to meet and love his family members. His beautiful granddaughter, Elisa Marie Meza, (my future daughter-in law) has brought our family much love and grace. She is a blessing to us and has taught us so much about the culture and the bonds that tie. Rest in peace Mr. Rivera, and know the legacy you left behind is one of that any man would be proud of. Love and peace, Lori Shockley

Lori Shockley - May 27, 2016 at 09:54 AM



“ *Abel Meza Rivera*

October 08, 2023 at 10:59 AM



“ *Abel Meza Rivera*

September 17, 2022 at 08:24 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Abel Meza Rivera.*



May 27, 2016 at 10:42 AM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Abel Meza Rivera.*



May 25, 2016 at 05:35 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Abel Meza Rivera.*



May 24, 2016 at 11:39 PM



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