



## Anthony (Tony) Villegas

April 20, 1940 - October 18, 2020

Anthony (Tony) Villegas, Sr. 80, a loving and devoted husband, father, and grandfather, passed away on October 18, 2020 at Advent Shawnee Mission Medical Center. Tony was born on April 20th, 1940 from Aquilino and Tomasa Villegas. He is survived by his wife of 61yrs Mary C. Villegas; 2 sons Anthony Jr. (Sharron) and Aquilino Villegas; daughter Mary Kay Villegas-Alitz (John); grandchildren; Katherine Vega, Brittany Villegas, Christopher Ebert and Claire Villegas and 6 great grandchildren.

Tony retired from the Board of Public Utilities after 25 years of service. He was both civic and community minded. He served on multiple boards and committees giving of his time and talent. He was appointed to the Kansas Human Rights Commission by Governors Kathleen Sebelius and Sam Brownback for 8 years. He was appointed to the Wyandotte County Ethics Commission He was a member of Hispanic Media Association Scholarship Fund 15 years. He served as Commissioner of the Kansas City, Kansas Housing authority 8 years, Board member of El Centro 4 years, the 2nd Vice President for El Centro 4 years, Board Member of Bishop Ward High School 6 years, and Committee Member for the Board of Public Utilities United Way Campaign. He served on the Parish Council, Altar Society and Knights of Columbus for St. John the Evangelist/Divine.

Tony is survived by his siblings Katherine Villegas, Rose Martinez, Teresa Pedroza and Ralph Villegas plus many nieces and nephews whom he fondly referred to each one present with him as his "favorite".

Tony will be missed by all as he was a bright light when he walked into any room!

There will be a visitation on Monday, November 2, 2020 at St John's Evangelist from 10-11 A.M. with a Funeral Mass starting at 11 A.M. and a private burial will follow. The family request in lieu of flowers please make a donation to El Centro, Inc. in his honour.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 2. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. John Evangelist  
2910 Strong Avenue  
Kansas City, KS

## Catholic Mass

NOV 2. 11:00 AM (CT)

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2910 Strong Avenue  
Kansas City, KS

# Tribute Wall



“ *Maple Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery created a Tribute Video in memory of Anthony (Tony) Villegas*



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**Maple Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery** - October 29, 2020 at 11:13 AM



“ *Anthony (Tony) Villegas*

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October 08, 2023 at 10:59 AM



“ *Anthony (Tony) Villegas*

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September 17, 2022 at 08:24 PM

IC

“ Tony was a part of the El Centro family. He was a great board member, officer and fund raiser. He just finished a 6 year term on our board and we thank the family for sharing him with us. We will truly miss him, his laugh, kind heart and beautiful smile. We send all our love, thoughts and prayers to the family.



*With much sympathy,*

*Irene Caudillo and his El Centro Family- Board and Staff*

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**Irene Caudillo** - November 01, 2020 at 05:49 PM

FS

“ Condolences to Tony's family. I remember him from the Hispanic Media Association, working for scholarships at Latino Summerfest.  
*Freda Mendez Smith*

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**Freda Mendez Smith** - October 31, 2020 at 07:08 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Anthony (Tony) Villegas.



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October 31, 2020 at 02:25 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Anthony (Tony) Villegas.*

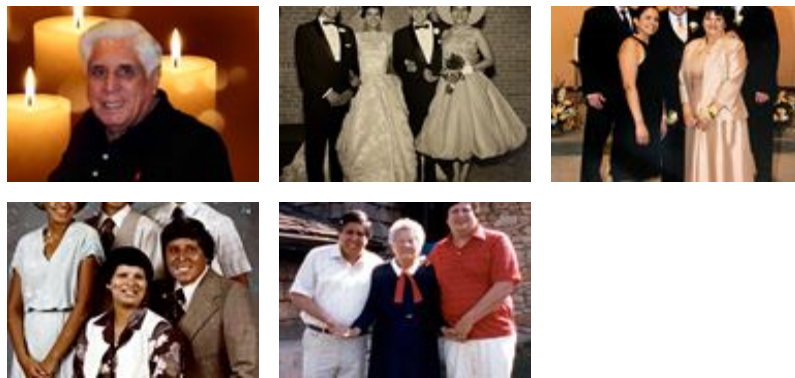


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October 31, 2020 at 01:04 PM



“ *24 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**Maple Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery** - October 30, 2020 at 11:15 AM



“ *Uncle Bully, I love this pic, it reminds me of all the trouble we would get into, we had so many laughs. I still can't believe you're gone. All the family celebrations & Vegas trips will always be some of my best fun memories. I love & miss you, be good & have lots of fun laughs in heaven. Your Tónge!!* ❤️🙏



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**Angela Villegas** - October 29, 2020 at 11:26 PM



“ 38 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



**Maple Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery** - October 29, 2020 at 11:12 AM

MH

“ *Tony was a wonderful man who I feel fortunate to have known. He has been a member of the University of Central Missouri's Cesar E. Chavez Scholarship Committee for many years, and has touched the lives of many of our students. My deepest condolences to his family.*

**Monica Huffman** - October 28, 2020 at 11:54 AM

AP

“ *Anna Prunty lit a candle in memory of Anthony (Tony) Villegas*



**Anna Prunty** - October 28, 2020 at 11:37 AM

JL

“ Heartfelt condolences to Cruzie, Boolie"s (that's how I heard his nickname from the old-timers) children, and to the Villegas siblings that I personally knew; Katy, Rosie, Blondie, and Red.  
Rest in peace, "Boolie".



*Jeannie (Lopez) Loya*

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**Jeannie Loya** - October 27, 2020 at 11:25 AM

JO

“ I'm so sorry to hear of Tony's passing. I worked with Tony and he always asked "How you doing Ohmes, how's your Dad"? Most often he would follow that with a joke. I remember Tony always had a smile on his face, he will be missed.

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**Jerry Ohmes** - October 27, 2020 at 11:00 AM

RR

“ To our Uncle Bully. Words can't express how much we will miss you and see you and my dad together. You always made us laugh and crack jokes. I will always remember you saying "Easy Patunia" and wanting us to scratch your wing. Lol. Not only did you tell all of us that we were your favorite niece or nephew, but you also gave us nick names from the Spanish novela Leonela. You were so proud of all of us. We love you Uncle and will miss you. Renée & Mike Ramirez and family.

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**Renee Ramirez** - October 26, 2020 at 10:15 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Anthony (Tony) Villegas.*



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October 26, 2020 at 07:27 PM



“ *Our love to you all - The Robert Arellano Family purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Anthony (Tony) Villegas.*



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**Our love to you all - The Robert Arellano Family** - October 26, 2020 at 06:57 PM



“ *Memories of Tony are woven in the tapestry of my life. A beloved friend of my parents, Pancho and Christina Madrigal. The father of my dearest childhood friend Mary Kay. Our families shared picnics, parties, making tamales for Christmas. Tony, I'm sure mom and dad were waiting to give you a hug and possibly a refreshment. My deepest condolences and love to Cruzie, Anthony, AJ and Mary Kay.*

*Christy Madrigal Rivera*

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**Christy Rivera** - October 26, 2020 at 05:35 PM

YR

*Sorry to hear of the death of this sainted man. Always ready for a hi Hondo,how are you doing.I never saw him in a mood*

*Tony,I will keep an eye on Anthony for you,AJ is smart enough to take care of himself. My prayers for Cruzie,the boys and Mary Kay.*

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**Yolanda Rocha** - October 27, 2020 at 10:00 PM