



Mr. Dino Gonzalez

October 16, 1966 - October 21, 2013

Galvarino "Dino" Gonzalez

On the evening of October 21, 2013, Dino passed way peacefully at Florida Hospital South, surrounded by his children, wife, brother and friends. At the time of passing, Dino was 47 years young.

Dino Gonzalez was born on October 16, 1966 in Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico. He was the second son of Salo and Zetna Gonzalez.

Dino's childhood was spent in Bayamon, Puerto Rico. While still a child, his family relocated to New York City. When he was ready for high school, Dino relocated to Orlando, Florida where he lived with his "abuelita." He spent most of his adult life in the Central Florida area.

Dino graduated from Evans High School in 1984. Immediately after, he attended Valencia Community College. He also spent time in Mississippi with his brother, Sal Gonzalez. Dino was a valued member of the Orlando Sentinel team for many years. In 1991, Dino met his future wife who he married in 1994. Dino had three amazing children, Giovannii Cesar Gonzalez, Ginelle Mikaella Gonzalez and Austin Johnson.

In 1998, Dino began his career in law enforcement as a Correctional Officer

with Orange County. His passion and goal was to become a police officer. In 2001, he relocated to Aspen, Colorado where he continued to pursue his dream. He worked for TSA, Snowmass Village and Garfield County Corrections. Dino pursued his dream and spent a few years in the Florida Keys, Weston, and Cooper City before attending Colorado Mountain College and becoming certified as a police officer. Dino realized his dream when he became a police officer for the City of Basalt, Colorado.

In 2009, Dino and his family returned to Orlando. A full circle journey. Between 2009 and 2013, Dino returned to school and received his Associate's Degree from Florida Technical College and was pursuing his Bachelor's degree. Dino was a valued team member of McEwan, Martinez & Dukes, PA.

Dino was preceded in death by his mother, Zetna Gonzalez and his father, Salo Gonzalez.

Dino is survived by his son, Giovannii Cesar Gonzalez, his daughter, Ginelle Mikaella Gonzalez, his son, Austin Johnson, his wife, Happy Fuentes, his brother, Sal Gonzalez and his village of friends from all across the United States.

Special thanks to Jesse, Ashley, Judy, Melissa, Allison, Kerri, Lissandra, Kareen and the entire 11th floor Neuro Team from Florida Hospital South.

Arrangements are entrusted to DeGusipe Funeral Home & Crematory, 9001 N. Orlando Avenue, Maitland, Florida 32751. (407) 695-CARE(2273).

Previous Events

Memorial Service

OCT **26**. 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

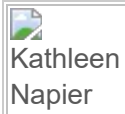
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Reception

OCT **26**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Dino sweet Dino gonna miss every part of you. Your wisdom, friendship, your jokes and your love. I know we will meet again on day. Love you my friend*

Kathleen Napier - October 27, 2013 at 05:58 PM

SP

“ *Sandra Potter lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez*



Sandra Potter - October 26, 2013 at 05:26 PM

JR

“ *Janet Rodriguez sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez*



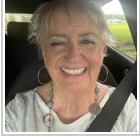
Janet Rodriguez - October 26, 2013 at 11:37 AM

JR

“ *Janet Rodriguez lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez*



Janet Rodriguez - October 26, 2013 at 11:35 AM



“ Karen Noyes lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez



Karen Noyes - October 26, 2013 at 07:26 AM



“ Peaceful Wishes was purchased for the family of Mr. Dino Gonzalez.



October 26, 2013 at 07:23 AM



“ 3 files added to the album Good Times



Rosina Soto - October 26, 2013 at 07:02 AM



“ 3 files added to the album good times



rosina - October 26, 2013 at 06:32 AM

AM

“ *Dino*
You were always such a joy to speak with when we saw you. I wish that you weren't taken so soon. We hope for peace in your family and that they be comforted by all of your special memories.
Ashley and Salece Miller

Ashley Miller - October 25, 2013 at 04:43 PM

JK

“ *Jason Kaiser lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez*



Jason Kaiser - October 25, 2013 at 02:35 PM

DG

“ *Dino you were always a Happy person and I am sure that you are smiling now from above. It's sad that you had to leave us so soon but you were needed above to have a better view over us all. Continue to shine through your family and Be Blessed until we meet again Dear Friend.*



Devon Green - October 25, 2013 at 11:59 AM

CB

“ *Chuck, Alison, Connor & Isabelle Barresi purchased the White Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Mr. Dino Gonzalez.*



Chuck, Alison, Connor & Isabelle Barresi - October 25, 2013 at 10:44 AM

TF

“ *The Hentz Family purchased the Classic Sympathy Dish Garden for the family of Mr. Dino Gonzalez.*



The Hentz Family - October 25, 2013 at 09:55 AM

MA

“ *To Happy and family, my condolences and pray that GOD comforts your heart in this time of need. Dino, keep dancing my friend, that's what I remember you loved to do !!!!!*

marcy - October 25, 2013 at 09:38 AM

DI

“ *Dina lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez*



Dina - October 25, 2013 at 08:03 AM

LS

“ *I can't even begin to put into words how much you have meant to me the past 25 years or so. You have been there for me so many times, our talks mean so much to me you have no idea. I am going to trust you know now. You are a true example of a "good man". You are so loved Dino, and so very missed. Be at peace my friend, stay dancing, stay smiling and stay close. I love you Dino. Always.*

leslie Smith - October 25, 2013 at 03:14 AM



“ *Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Mr. Dino Gonzalez.*



October 24, 2013 at 02:08 PM



“ *Blue & White Sympathy Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Dino Gonzalez.*

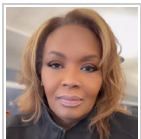


October 24, 2013 at 12:57 PM



“ *Sending my condolences and prayers to Happy and the children and family... May God bring you comfort and peace through this most difficult time in your lives... RIParadise Dino... You are greatly missed, but we will meet again!*

Kimberly Collins - October 24, 2013 at 09:12 AM



“ *Kimberly Collins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez*



Kimberly Collins - October 24, 2013 at 09:08 AM

Rosa
Cruz

“ *Rosa Cruz lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez*



Rosa Cruz - October 23, 2013 at 07:57 PM

PA

“ *My prayers and condolences for Happy and you family. Patty Alfonso*

Patty Alfonso - October 23, 2013 at 06:58 PM

MP

“ *Dino, even though we had 1 class together, i will remember your smile and how you would lit up a room with it. i wished we could of had more time to chat, but god sent you home with him. monday god recieved another one of his angels to watch over loved ones and may they forever be in the hearts of those who you have touched. to the gonzalez family may your journey forever lead you to places with his love and memories. happi...please know that you and your family will always be in alot of peoples hearts, and may god help you through this time. molly pitts and family*

molly pitts - October 23, 2013 at 06:50 PM

MC

“ *Maria D. Cardenas-Vazquez lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez*



Maria D. Cardenas-Vazquez - October 23, 2013 at 05:21 PM

MC

Rest in peace Dino Gonzalez!

Maria D. Cardenas-Vazquez - October 23, 2013 at 05:25 PM

GR

“ You were a great guy to work with, always smiling!



Georgia Ray - October 23, 2013 at 04:06 PM

SS

“ Scott Selvaggi lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez



Scott Selvaggi - October 23, 2013 at 03:22 PM

RF

“ Rachel Feiner lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez



Rachel Feiner - October 23, 2013 at 03:17 PM

CH

“ You were a wonderful friend and Uncle to Mackenzie! You were and always will be very special to her and me as well. So many memories I remember, but the one that stands out the most is the day you met your wife, so glad I was apart of that. I knew you would be together forever....Hap and I had planned itwe burned your little black book. You will never be forgotten. I promise to always be there for Hap and the kids when they need me as you were there for us. See you again....this is not where it ends!

Christi Bellizzi Coty

Christi - October 23, 2013 at 03:07 PM

RO

“ Ruth Osborne lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez



Ruth Osborne - October 23, 2013 at 02:49 PM

JR

“ 1 file added to the album Fun times with awesome friends!! <3



Jessie Rosario - October 23, 2013 at 02:31 PM

GB

“ 1 file added to the album *Pancreatic Cancer Walk - Gail's Monarchs*



Gayle Bouterse - October 23, 2013 at 01:53 PM

JU

Sweet

Julie - October 23, 2013 at 04:44 PM

SA

“ *Sonia Alvarez lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez*



Sonia Alvarez - October 23, 2013 at 01:08 PM

RT

“ *Raquel Thomas lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez*



Raquel Thomas - October 23, 2013 at 01:00 PM

SO

“ *Dino you were always there for us at MMD. I just saw a side of you I never knew. I immensely enjoyed watching the dance off. I smiled and cried at the same time. You will be greatly missed. Sonia*

Sonia - October 23, 2013 at 12:47 PM

LM

“ *Lizette Montilla lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez*



Lizette Montilla - October 23, 2013 at 10:33 AM

EM

“ *Dino, although I did not work with you long, I did know from the day I met you that you were one of those good souls. You were so involved with your family and just had a great attitude towards life and others. May you rest in peace and may the memories your family has of you help them get through this very difficult time.*

Ellen McKaig - October 23, 2013 at 10:24 AM

YP

“ *Your friends at McEwan, Martinez & Dukes, PA purchased the White Sympathy Standing Spray for the family of Mr. Dino Gonzalez.*



Your friends at McEwan, Martinez & Dukes, PA - October 23, 2013 at 09:55 AM

TL

“ Tessa Lemke lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez



Tessa Lemke - October 23, 2013 at 09:35 AM

SW

“ Dino was a good friend to many and a good man. His love for his family was obvious and his energy and joy of life made him so much fun to be around. He was always smiling and if you weren't you would be by the time it was over. I will miss our cookouts and BBQ's at Jetty. Especially our Father's day one...My brother had just survived a Double Brain Aneurysm and drove down from North Carolina. Dino & Ralphie (the 2 were always together) made him feel so welcome we had a cookout at the beach & at Ralphie's. He left a lasting impression on everyone he met...My prayers are with his family I know he will watch over and protect you. He is your Guardian Angel now...

Shappelle White - October 23, 2013 at 09:24 AM

SW

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Shappelle White - October 23, 2013 at 09:15 AM

SW

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Shappelle White - October 23, 2013 at 09:14 AM

SW

“ *Shappelle White lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez*



Shappelle White - October 23, 2013 at 09:12 AM

PC

“ *Pam Costello lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez*



Pam Costello - October 23, 2013 at 08:51 AM

JR

“ *Janet Rodriguez lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez*



Janet Rodriguez - October 23, 2013 at 08:33 AM



“ *Multicolor Bright Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Dino Gonzalez.* ”



October 23, 2013 at 08:17 AM



“ *Tonya Harrell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez* ”



Tonya Harrell - October 23, 2013 at 08:08 AM



“ *The Payumo Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez* ”



The Payumo Family - October 23, 2013 at 08:05 AM



“ *Rhonda VanZant lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez* ”



Rhonda VanZant - October 23, 2013 at 07:47 AM

AJ

“ *Austin Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez*



Austin Johnson - October 23, 2013 at 07:44 AM

BJ

“ *Brigette Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez*



Brigette Johnson - October 23, 2013 at 07:44 AM

PF

“ *Pat Fraker lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez*



Pat Fraker - October 23, 2013 at 07:30 AM

CH

“ *Chris lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez*



Chris - October 23, 2013 at 07:15 AM

LL

“ *Liz Lindsey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez*



Liz Lindsey - October 23, 2013 at 06:46 AM

YS

“ *Yvette Soto lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez*



Yvette Soto - October 23, 2013 at 06:31 AM

YV

“ *Yvette lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez*



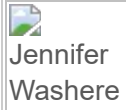
Yvette - October 23, 2013 at 06:30 AM



“ *Dino...God has called you to his home. My thoughts and prayers go out to your family.*



Maria Tirado - October 22, 2013 at 11:33 PM



Jennifer Washere

“ Jennifer Washere lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez



Jennifer Washere - October 22, 2013 at 10:46 PM



“ Ivelisse T. Irizarry sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez



Ivelisse T. Irizarry - October 22, 2013 at 10:42 PM



“ Ivelisse T. Irizarry sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez



Ivelisse T. Irizarry - October 22, 2013 at 10:40 PM



LY

“ Lynette lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez



lynette - October 22, 2013 at 10:39 PM

Lisel
Laslie

“ *Lisel Laslie lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez*



Lisel Laslie - October 22, 2013 at 10:38 PM

II

“ *Ivelisse T. Irizarry lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez*



Ivelisse T. Irizarry - October 22, 2013 at 10:36 PM

JR

“ *Jessie Rosario lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez*



Jessie Rosario - October 22, 2013 at 10:04 PM

TV

“ *1 file added to the album New Album Name*



Tito Velazquez - October 22, 2013 at 09:48 PM

Aouda
Gamez

“ so sorry to hear about Dino. I haven't seen him in over 20 years. We met doing karate. We held a nice relationship with him and my sister. We went to Tennessee together for a tournament and since my sister and I were young he took us under his wing which made my parents very happy to know that. They trusted him and he was loved by my family. My condolences to all his family from the Gamez family. God bless his soul.

Aouda Gamez - October 22, 2013 at 09:36 PM



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Azuree Gibbs - October 22, 2013 at 09:20 PM

Michelle
Smith

“ I will never forget Dino dancing in the Daddy dance off at competition. He won and did a awesome job. My condolences to the family.

Michelle Smith - October 22, 2013 at 08:52 PM

RS

“ Rosina Soto lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez



Rosina Soto - October 22, 2013 at 08:37 PM



“ Rita lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez



Rita - October 22, 2013 at 08:27 PM



“ Lori Tupper lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez



Lori Tupper - October 22, 2013 at 08:18 PM



Yellow to symbolize your return and that we will be reunited as our Savior promises.

Lori Tupper - October 22, 2013 at 08:22 PM



“ Lori Tupper sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez



Lori Tupper - October 22, 2013 at 08:17 PM

Lori
Tupper

“ Lori Tupper sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez



Lori Tupper - October 22, 2013 at 08:17 PM

OF

“ Olivera Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez



Olivera family - October 22, 2013 at 08:07 PM



“ Linda Labella lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez



Linda Labella - October 22, 2013 at 07:57 PM

LF

“ Lily Fredda lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez



Lily Fredda - October 22, 2013 at 07:54 PM

TB

“ *Tammy Beckstead lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez*



tammy beckstead - October 22, 2013 at 07:43 PM



“ *Azuree Gibbs lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dino Gonzalez*



Azuree Gibbs - October 22, 2013 at 07:13 PM



“ *Today another angel earned his wings. A friend to everyone, Dino Gonzalez was a loving husband and father. His smile was contagious and good nature infectious. We will carry his spirit on in our memories and hearts. I will remember the cheer competitions that bonded us and all of the times he tried corralling up the old "Nations" crew to go skating. Dino was always down for a good time and keeping his friends connected. The Lord has a bigger purpose for you my friend that is not for us to understand right now. Godspeed and help your family find the light in the darkness.*

Azuree Gibbs - October 22, 2013 at 07:13 PM

BE

“ *Dino and Ted.... we laughed....*

Belinda - October 22, 2013 at 06:39 PM

BE

“ *Dino and Gio spent the Holiday's with us when Happy was working in Texas and Natasha asked him to teach her to dance salsa.....*

Belinda - October 22, 2013 at 06:38 PM

AC

“ *1 file added to the album New Album Name*



Anthony Carrasquillo - October 22, 2013 at 06:16 PM

JG

“ *Rest in peace Dino, you will be missed.
Janet*

Janet Garmont - October 22, 2013 at 05:50 PM

LF

“ *Amazing friend and father, you will be truly missed! Your watching over your family from heaven. We are blessed knowing you !*



Lily Fredda - October 22, 2013 at 05:42 PM



“ *Boobie, what an incredible 22 year journey we've had together. I will carry you and our beautiful memories in my heart forever. Your legacy lives on with our amazing children. In this life and the next, you will forever be my LIFER and best friend. I love you my Boobie. I'll see you in my dreams and when you greet me at the Pearly Gates. 459 FOREVER!!! Now, Always & Forever, Toitita <3*

Happy Fuentes - October 22, 2013 at 05:07 PM



“ *Thank you Daddy for always being by my side when I needed you the most, whether it was something huge and important or small and dumb. I am so proud of everything you accomplished and everything you began to accomplish. I love you so so so much. More than you'll ever know. Rest well Daddy. <3*

Gio Gonzalez - October 22, 2013 at 04:57 PM