



Jorge Eduardo Fernandez

November 11, 2021

Jorge Eduardo Fernandez was born May 1, 1956, in Santa Clara, Cuba. He fled Cuba with his family when he was six years old. They eventually settled in the Tampa Bay Area.

Jorge graduated from Clearwater Central Catholic High School in 1974. He was a welder by trade and co-owned the Treasures of the Caribbean with his brothers for many years. Most recently he worked at the Meilus Muscular Therapy Clinic.

However, Jorge's true calling was as a master craftsman. Jorge used his artistic ability to create beautiful handmade wood furniture. He built his projects with careful attention to detail and with loving hands. Jorge left his distinctive mark on everything he touched.

Jorge will always be remembered for his calm and patient demeanor. He was a man of few words, but a great observer of people. When he did comment, he would often share an inciteful perspective that others hadn't considered.

When Jorge wasn't woodworking, he enjoyed boating. He was an excellent sailor and even hand made a wooden sailboat, "Mamey". He also enjoyed cruising the local waterways on his powerboat, "Betsea".

Besides his artistic talent, Jorge was very musical. For many years, he played

drums in a band called the “Hip Replacements”. They met every Thursday night and he looked forward to those evenings of keeping the beat with his friends.

Jorge came from a very close and loving extended family. He had a rare bond with his siblings throughout his entire life and he was fortunate to have a wonderful and supportive wife.

He leaves behind his wife, Sue; his son, Erick; stepdaughter, Ashlee; grandson, Cameron; siblings, Humberto and Yolanda; and many nieces, a nephew, and cousins.

Jorge’s life was cut short by brain cancer. He will be sorely missed and live forever in the hearts of the many friends and family members who loved him.

Memorial Mass will be celebrated Friday, November 26, 2021 at the Light of Christ Catholic Church 2176 Marilyn Street, Clearwater, Florida 33765 at 10:30 am.

Tribute Wall

JA

“ James posted a condolence Jorge Edward Vasquez-Fernandez was my best man at my wedding in 1981. I thank Colleen and Mary Clare for introducing him to me. Jorge and I go way back - back before most people reading this knew him perhaps. We sailed together, partied together and contemplated what our lives would be like in the future through the years we knew we wouldn't be able to see one another on a frequent basis.

Going too fast, he spun out on a sharp corner driving in my E-Type one night in the Timberlane area - we both thought we were going to die, but he recovered beautifully as a true sportsman would.

The small vault Jorge welded together for me back in 1979 is still in use, the letters "JK-B" stamped on its door.

Before the place burnt down and the authorities found rifles being black-marketed out to places unknown, Jorge and I spend most Friday nights in 1980 having dinner at Dervish Brothers Steakhouse in downtown Clearwater before we'd press on to imbibe and trip the light fantastic at Webster's in St Pete, Crawdaddy's then the Stable at University Mall in Tampa. Jorge and I grew up from carefree teenagers into young responsible men through those years.

The last time I saw Jorge he was with Sue I believe, a long time ago at a Thai restaurant on Madeira Beach. I tried to tag up with him years ago before I moved away, but time and distance weakened those efforts and of a repeat search for him since my return in 2015.

Jorge was a gentle man, kind, considerate, patient with most people. He was a better man than me. I loved the guy. He will forever remain in my mind, my heart, my soul. I should've tried harder to get back in touch with him to rekindle some old times, one of us would've had bail money?

Regards to his family, and Yolanda especially.

I miss you Jorge, truly do.

James K-B

James - February 15, 2022 at 12:00 AM



“ Amy Maloney and 5 others have purchased flowers for the family of Jorge Fernandez. Send Flowers Guaranteed hand delivery by a local florist

January 19, 2022 at 10:25 AM



“ Amy Maloney purchased flowers Amy Maloney purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet and planted a memorial tree for the family of Jorge Fernandez. Send Flowers

Amy Maloney - November 23, 2021 at 12:00 AM



“ Steve posted a condolence Sending healing vibes to Jorge's entire Family. My best memory was when Jorge jammed with me at the Katiki. He was such an excellent percussionist . He always had a smile for me. Sure am going to miss you Amigo

Steve - November 22, 2021 at 12:00 AM



“ Tony Vaudo posted a condolence My most heartfelt condolences to Sue, Humberto and Yoany and the entire family. Jorge was a very special man, with a beautiful smile and a welcome hello every time I saw hm. I'm honored and grateful that he was in my life. Love you Jorge.

Tony Vaudo - November 21, 2021 at 12:00 AM



“ *The Murphys planted a tree in memory of Jorge Fernandez With deepest sympathy, our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Love, The Murphy family Join in honoring their life - plant a memorial tree*

November 21, 2021 at 12:00 AM



“ *Vivian uploaded photo(s)*

Vivian - November 21, 2021 at 12:00 AM



“ *A tree was planted in memory of Jorge Fernandez Please accept my sympathy for your loss, and, know that my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this time. Love, Robbie Vaudo Join in honoring their life - plant a memorial tree*

November 20, 2021 at 12:00 AM



“ *Vivian, Leyla and Orlando purchased flowers Vivian, Leyla and Orlando purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Jorge Fernandez. Send Flowers*

Vivian, Leyla and Orlando - November 19, 2021 at 12:00 AM



“ *Vivian, Leyla and Orlando purchased flowers Vivian, Leyla and Orlando purchased the Your Light Shines for the family of Jorge Fernandez. Send Flowers*

Vivian, Leyla and Orlando - November 19, 2021 at 12:00 AM



“ Vivian, Leyla and Orlando purchased flowers Vivian, Leyla and Orlando purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Jorge Fernandez. Send Flowers

Vivian, Leyla and Orlando - November 19, 2021 at 12:00 AM



“ Andrew Rawicki purchased flowers Andrew Rawicki purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Jorge Fernandez. Send Flowers

Andrew Rawicki - November 19, 2021 at 12:00 AM



“ Tribute Store Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Jorge Fernandez. Send Flowers

November 19, 2021 at 12:00 AM



“ Bonnie Lurie and Family planted 3 trees in memory of Jorge Fernandez 3 trees were planted in memory of Jorge Eduardo Fernandez Sending our thoughts and condolences. Jorge was a great man! Join in honoring their life - plant a memorial tree

November 17, 2021 at 12:00 AM

GC

“ Gerald Cavallaro posted a condolence I went to school with Jorge from 7th grade thru 12th grade and then, unfortunately, never saw him again. While I was not George’s best friend in school we were good friends and I’ve always remembered him for his easy going manner and good humor. I’d always hoped that I would run into Jorge somewhere, now I know where it will be. RIP dear Jorge and may God bless your soul and family.

Gerald Cavallaro - November 16, 2021 at 12:00 AM

GB

“ George Billias lit a candle I am sorry for your loss. Hoping the good times and pleasant memories remain a constant source of comfort. Peace be with all of you!

George Billias - November 15, 2021 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ Bonnie Shontz posted a condolence Sue So sorry to hear this news. Thoughts and prayers for the family at this time. Memories help to heal. Bonnie Shontz

Bonnie Shontz - November 14, 2021 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Janie Finck posted a condolence Sue, Bob & I are so sorry for your loss of Jorge. He sounds like a very special man. So sorry we never got to meet him. We send our deepest sympathy & love to you & your whole fsmily. Janie & Bob Finck

Janie Finck - November 14, 2021 at 12:00 AM



“ *The family of Jorge Eduardo Fernandez uploaded a photo*

November 14, 2021 at 12:00 AM



“ *A Memorial Tree was planted for Jorge Fernandez We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ the staff at R. Lee Williams & Son Funeral Home and Crematory Join in honoring their life - plant a memorial tree*

November 13, 2021 at 12:00 AM