



Salvador Mercado

June 23, 1934 - August 7, 2017

Salvador Mercado (affectionately known by family and friends as Salva or Sal) 83, passed away on August 7, 2017 in Winter Garden, FL. He is survived by his wife Raquel Mercado, his daughters Maria Mercado, Jeannette Mercado, Caridad Mercado, his sons Angel Jimenez and Jason Mercado, his grandchildren Kathy Jimenez, Madeline Jimenez, Myrna Pena, Jose Aguayo, Raquel Lynn Jimenez, Destiny Aguayo, Crystal Williams, Joshua Aguayo and Aiden Williams.

He was born in San German, Puerto Rico on June 23, 1934 to Carmen Acosta and Alphonso Mercado. He relocated to Brooklyn, NY where he met his sweetheart Raquel in the early 1960's and started a family. In 1991, they relocated to Sanford, FL where they decided to retire.

Salvador was a devoted family man & extreme boxing fanatic who found the funny in almost everything. He was a self-proclaimed comedian who never missed the opportunity to tell a joke, even if he told it 50 times before. Anytime he stepped out of the house it became routine to make a Publix run for two free cups of coffee. He would say "one for here, and one for the road" He loved children, music, singing (especially for the church), spicy food, hot dogs and talking about current events in Venezuela.

Rather than mourn the death of Salvador, he wanted his family and friends to

celebrate his life. Please join us as we remember all of the happy times he shared with those he loved.

Previous Events

Funeral Service

AUG 12. 6:00 PM (ET)

DeGusipe Funeral Home & Crematory Maitland Chapel
9001 N. Orlando Ave
Maitland, FL 32751
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Public Visitation for Family and Friends

AUG 12. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ My grandfather you will always be & in my heart you will always remain, all I can remember is how you always wanted me to eat because I was so skinny you would tell grandma Raquel, we need to feed Kathy she too skinny & than you would say I guess not even inflating her will she gain wait, when you came the last time to NY you seen me & said Oh wow & told grandma Raquel & the family she gained weight I never thought I see this day, we all laughed, grandpa I love you, my regret is I did promise I go to Florida & didn't but you are in my heart no matter what, 🥺🙏🥹



Kathy Jimenez , Granddaughter! - August 12, 2017 at 07:57 PM

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“ I met Sal back in March 2015, and what a meeting that was, our conversation was gear up to our hometown, San German, PR. Two different eras talking about the people we knew, sure enough he knew my two grandfather's, and a lot of my family, amazing, he commented that he had visited most them, because there was a Promesa there, and he loved to sing. He loved sports, but boxing was his forte, he was a boxer himself, and of course we talk about our local basket team, Atletico de San German. The great players of his era and mine. Great memories, great human being, you will be missed. RIP Sal, now you sing with the Angels.

Noel Martinez - August 12, 2017 at 04:00 PM

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“ *Sal was not just my Father-in-law, he was a friend. He would tell me his life story on our way to appointments, or coffee. His favorite phrase was "Me cago en diez!!, and CHACHHH. Sal was a very "street smart" person. His joking was either contagious or a nuisance. He lived a good life, took care of his family and loved his boxing!*

Love you Sal!

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Ferdinand Ramos - August 12, 2017 at 01:29 PM

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Ferdinand Ramos - August 12, 2017 at 01:22 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Salvador Mercado.*



August 11, 2017 at 06:20 PM



“ *Myrna Florat lit a candle in memory of Salvador Mercado*



Myrna Florat - August 10, 2017 at 11:49 PM



“ *My grandfather raised me from 9 years old up until I enlisted into the Air Force. I feel like I've lost a father. There are countless things I will miss about my grandfather, his long hugs, his smile, his love for coffee because that meant I also got to have another cup with him. I will miss him madly. You will always be in our hearts papi!*

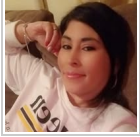


Myrna Florat - August 10, 2017 at 11:47 PM

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He looks so adorable in this picture! He looked so happy.

Caridad Mercado - August 11, 2017 at 08:40 PM



“ A poem for Grandpa,



*I know we are all feeling a little bit sad,
That we've lost our Grandpa, our friend and
our dad
Together we have cried an ocean of tears
As we feel so empty and hold many fears*

*But Grandpa would want us to know he's in a good place
And that he watching us all with a smile on his face
As we have made him so proud, as proud as can be
That he has raised such a beautiful and special family*

*Thinking back now I really must say
I feel lucky and privileged to have known Grandpa to this day
For in my life, you have played a special part
The memories I will treasure and keep close to my heart*

*For me, I am glad my boys he got to meet
And for all of us, be grateful, his life is now complete
To each one of us he has loved and cared
And a family, be thankful for the good times we shared*

*Although he has gone, we will always be together
And his spirit will live on in each one of us forever
When you look to the sky, look for the brightest star
As that will be Grandpa looking down on us from afar*

*And now I would like to thank the good Lord above
For blessing us with our Grandpa, with his kindness and love
Dear God, if it is not too much fuss
Take extra special care of our Grandpa, for he is very dear to us*

*Grandpa, if you are listening, say a prayer for us every day
Be sure to protect us and guide us on our way
We know when God called you, you had to go*

But we want you to know Grandpa we miss you and love you so

Te quiero mucho

Love always your granddaughter Madeline xoxo

Madeline Jimenez - August 10, 2017 at 09:31 PM



“ *Oh man what to say about my handsome grandfather theirs just so much about him he had so much light and life in him i never seen him mad always made everyone laugh. Ill miss the silly jokes and boxing stories ill remember the cent of the cologn he wore and at every family dinner he would always want his cup of coffee lol he loved my girls and they loved him he will truly be missed love you grandpa*

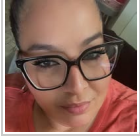


Destiny Aguayo - August 10, 2017 at 05:03 PM

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“ *The things I will miss the most about my dad are some of the annoying things he did. Like when he poked my shoulder to tell me something while saying "mira, mira, mira", or when he called out everyone else's name before he got to mine "Cachita" to get my attention. But the most annoying thing was when he walked into the house, no hello, with his request "dame cafe" drove me nuts. He always wanted to take over the remote and watch the Spanish news not caring what we were watching or what we were doing. It would not be him if he didn't do that every time he came over. When I was a little girl every day I waited for him to come home with a bag of wise crunchy cheese doodles for me, he never failed. I will miss him madly. I love you papi! You will forever be in my heart!💔*

Caridad Mercado - August 10, 2017 at 03:05 PM



“ I've been in the family for 8 years and the first time I met sal he welcomed me with open arms and started talking about his boxing like he always does with everybody lol. he was so great to be around Always had you laughing and always smiling . Sal Will be missed always but never forgotten may he rest in paradise.



Jackie Aguayo - August 10, 2017 at 12:23 PM



“ The day before my dad passed away my mom and I were feeding him some peaches and we started to sing to him his favorite song "Mas All Del Sol" which reads in English "Beyond The Sun" where he will have a sweet home with Jesus. I would never forget his reaction. He started moving his hands in the air and trying to sing with us with his mumbling words, but it brought a smile to his face and he tried to sing it with us. This will stay with me forever. Its a video picture that constantly plays in my mind. I'm going to miss you dearly papi.

Maria Mercado - August 10, 2017 at 10:27 AM



“ *Maria Mercado lit a candle in memory of Salvador Mercado*



Maria Mercado - August 10, 2017 at 10:19 AM