



Avilio G. "Lefty" Otero

May 28, 1931 - January 17, 2015

1931-2015

Avilio G. "Lefty" Otero, age 83, a resident of Los Lunas, NM passed away in the early morning on Saturday, January 17, 2015 with his family at his side. His family lovingly called him "Tata". Avilio proudly served in the United States Navy, was a professional boxer, and professional baseball player. In 2002, he was nominated for Citizen of the Year by the Valencia County News-Bulletin. He was an avid golfer, hunter, and fisherman, but most of all a godly man. He was the owner of "Lefty's Electric" for more than 30 years and continued to run several businesses with his wife. He was a member of Grace Fellowship. Avilio's final words were to his wife, "I love you." He was preceded in death by his son, Marvin Otero; parents, Manuel and Josefita Moya Otero; his in-laws, Arturo and Vivianita Cordova; brothers, Alferes and Flavio; several in-laws including his special sister-in-law and friend, Ruth Padilla; and brother-in-law, Vivian Cordova. Avilio is survived by his loving wife of 61 years, Edna Otero; children, Teresa and husband, Michael Ogas, Marty and wife, Valerie Otero, and Camille and husband, Leroy Chavez. He is also survived by his grandchildren, Lyndsi and husband, Jake Alderete, Jason and wife, Vanessa Chavez, Miguel and wife, Abigail Ogas, Isaiah Otero, Talysa Ogas, Zachary Otero, Taylor Otero, and Dalton Otero; four great-grandchildren, Eliyah, Eliana and Israel Alderete, and Judah Chavez; brothers, Johnny and wife, Maggie Otero, and Nino and wife, Lorance Otero; loving in-laws, nieces, nephews and many long-time friends. A Viewing will be held on Thursday, January 22nd at

Grace Fellowship, 3384 Hwy 47 in Los Lunas at 10:00 a.m. with a Funeral Service following at 11:00 a.m. Interment will be held at Our Lady of Belen Memorial Gardens at 3:00 p.m. Pallbearers will be Leroy Chavez, Jake Alderete, Jason Chavez, Isaiah Otero, Talysa Ogas, Taylor Otero, Zachary Otero, and Dalton Otero. Honorary Pallbearers will be Eliyah, Eliana, and Israel Alderete and Judah Chavez. Sign Avilio's online tribute at www.romerofuneralhomenm.com Romero Funeral Home, 609 N. Main Street, Belen, NM

Cemetery Details

Our Lady of Belen Memorial Gardens

101 N. 10th Street
Belen, NM 87002

Previous Events

Viewing

JAN 22. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (MT)

Grace Fellowship Church
3384 New Mexico 47,
Los Lunas, NM 87031

Funeral Service

JAN 22. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (MT)

Grace Fellowship Church
3384 New Mexico 47,
Los Lunas, NM 87031

Tribute Wall

MC

“ So very sorry to hear about Uncle Avilo's passing. Know that you all are on our thoughts and prayers during this hard time. May God show you all peace as each day passes.

*The Cordova Family
Michael, Kates, and Mikaila*

Michael Cordova - February 10, 2015 at 01:36 PM

JO

“ We are so sorry to hear about Uncle Avilio. You are all in our thoughts and prayers. May God grant you peace at this time and the days to follow.

*The Owens Family
Lucky, Julie Cordova-Owens, Ashley and Austin*



Julie Owens - February 10, 2015 at 10:07 AM

PL

“ Dear Edna, Teresa, Marty, Camille, and family: I am so sorry to hear of Lefty's passing, I have been out of town and learned of his death upon my return.

Know that my thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this time, also knowing that you are a family of great faith, which will help each of you get through this difficult time.

I know Lefty loved his family, and I know each of you have many wonderful memories of him, keep them close to your heart, they will ease your pain and your loss.

Many Blessings to each of you, Paul T. Luna.

Paul T. Luna - January 29, 2015 at 02:19 AM

RC

“ Sorry to hear Mr Otero has passed, growing up in that area, Mr Otero was always some one to look up to. Sincery Randy Castillo

Randy Castillo - January 28, 2015 at 03:34 PM

ST

“ Dear Aunt Edna and Family,

I am so sorry to hear about Uncle Avilio. I have so many great childhood memories of him that were spent at your house across the street from mine. I wish I could have been there to attend his services today. Sending my thoughts and prayers to all of you. He will be greatly missed.

Love,
Stephanie Otero Cook

Stephanie - January 22, 2015 at 06:46 PM



LP

“ Dear Otero Family,

I am so sorry to hear of the loss of Lefty, he will be missed by all who knew him. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. Please know that I am with you in spirit today during his services.

God Bless you all,
Liz Ann & Eddie Perea and Family

Liz Ann Perea - January 22, 2015 at 01:04 PM



GL

“ *Ginger Oskins And Nicholas Lance lit a candle in memory of Avilio G. "Lefty" Otero*



Ginger Oskins and Nicholas Lance - January 22, 2015 at 11:25 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Avilio G. "Lefty" Otero .*



January 21, 2015 at 05:47 PM

DO

“ *I remember the times Tata shared with my father, sister, and I. One time, we were at his farm back when he had goats. Little did we know those little goats could jump pretty dang high. One jumped over a fence and nearly clipped Tata's head. So many memories have come about that I had forgotten about, but with the passing of my grandfather, they all came swarming back as if they were sent by him. We all love and miss you dearly Tata.*

Dalton Otero - January 21, 2015 at 04:35 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Avilio G. "Lefty" Otero .*



January 21, 2015 at 09:48 AM

PO

“ *Heaven is even more beautiful now with the entrance of my beloved Uncle and Godfather, Avilio. We'll forever miss your beautiful, handsome smile and your kind and gentle way of treating everyone. Thank you for always being so good to me and to my entire family. We miss you already...*

*Love,
Phyllis Padilla Owens*



Phyllis Padilla Owens - January 20, 2015 at 07:11 PM

RA

“ *Roberta C. Archuleta lit a candle in memory of Avilio G. "Lefty" Otero*



Roberta C. Archuleta - January 20, 2015 at 03:45 PM

BS

“ *Bernardine Baca Spiers lit a candle in memory of Avilio G. "Lefty" Otero*



Bernardine Baca Spiers - January 20, 2015 at 03:02 PM

TC

“ Teresa Cota lit a candle in memory of Avilio G. "Lefty" Otero



Teresa Cota - January 20, 2015 at 07:28 AM

Bebe
Martinez

“ How lucky heaven is to have such a beautiful new angel! We love you Lefty. Mahalo for your kindness and love. Aloha Oe' ♡♡



Bebe Martinez - January 19, 2015 at 11:38 PM

GC

“ To the Otero Family, Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. God Bless you at this time. Gene & Peggy Carabajal



Gene Carabajal - January 19, 2015 at 11:31 PM

GF

“ Dear Otero Family and Friends,
I wasn't privileged with the remarkable acquaintance of Mr. Otero as you were, but it saddens me to read of your loss. Please accept my family's sincere condolences. Many are comforted in knowing that our Creator assures us in the Bible that soon death and mourning will be no more. May you have peace.

Greene Family - January 19, 2015 at 01:52 PM

KG

“ Teresa, Mike and the Otero Family,
On behalf of the members of the Advisory Council of the School of
Dreams Academy,
Our thoughts and prayers are with you.
Kenny G.

Kenneth Griego - January 19, 2015 at 10:38 AM

MA

“ I spent a lot of time trying to come up with the words that would
even begin to summarize just how much this man meant to each
and every one of us. There are simply no words in the English
language or otherwise that can even begin to explain how special
he was; the simple touch of his hand, his smile, that sparkle in his
eyes, and a face that glowed every time he was with family. That
special God given gift that made everyone in his presence feel like
they were the only ones that mattered.

Oh how he loved his family! There is no question in our minds and
in our hearts we had the perfect husband, father, grandfather and
great grandfather. Above all; he was the greatest example of how
each one of us should walk with Christ.

Thank you Father in Heaven for lending us this Great Man and for
leaving us with so many cherished memories that will live in our
hearts forever!

LOVE YOU DAD!

Marty - January 19, 2015 at 07:14 AM



Marty,

I was so saddened to hear about the passing of your Dad. He was one the most kind and loving people I have ever had the priveldge of knowing.

I hope knowing how much your friends and loved ones are thinking of you, and praying for you, will help you feel peace.

I will never forget Lefty, and will keep him close to my heart always...

Love,

Bebe 💕💕

Bebe Martinez - January 19, 2015 at 11:34 PM

OR

“ Edna & Family,

You are ever in our thoughts as you labor over the loss of Lefty. In keeping with Lefty's faith, his soul has opened the gate to eternity and will be resurrected in this world once again. So let him come into your dreams for then the night will reward more than any hopeless longing in the day. The unconquered spirit and open heart with which Lefty lived spoke clearly that you continue enjoying a full life.

We regret we cannot be with you. May time bring solace to your hearts. Please accept our sincere condolences on behalf of us and our family.

Oscar & Sue Ramirez

Oscar S. Ramirez - January 19, 2015 at 12:21 AM



DR

“ Dicky And Suzanne Romero lit a candle in memory of Avilio G. "Lefty" Otero



Dicky and Suzanne Romero - January 18, 2015 at 11:19 AM

DF

Dear Edna & Family, My heart and prayers are with you all at this time. May God grant you the peace that only he can give you at a time like this. May He bless you now and always! Dylia Castillo and family.

Dylia Castillo & Family - January 19, 2015 at 04:45 PM

VT

Theresa, Mike and Otero Family, It saddened me to hear about your Dad's passing. My thoughts and Prayers are with you. Love, Vangie Tafoya

Vangie Tafoya - January 20, 2015 at 03:02 PM