



## Christopher John Olivas

February 9, 1980 - April 12, 2024

1980-2024

Christopher John Olivas, age 44, a resident of Belen, NM, passed away April 12, 2024. Services will be held at Romero Funeral Home on Wednesday, April 24, 2024, beginning with Visitation at 10:00 a.m. followed by a Celebration of Life at 11:00 a.m. Chris is survived by his beloved children, Melina and Micah; parents, Errmilo and Pat Herrera Olivas; brother, Adrian Olivas (Shana); nieces and nephew, Caiya, Cati, Calina, Amaia, and Benjamin Olivas; grandparents, Alejandro and Juana Olivas; numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins; and his cherished dog Kobe and cat Cosmo. Chris was preceded in death by his grandparents, Luis and Geneva Herrera; and his brother Jacob Olivas. Chris was a loving man who loved his children and family. He was very proud of Melina and Micah, whether it was academically or in sports. Chris would always keep Grandpa Milo and Grandma Pat updated on all their activities and accomplishments. He enjoyed watching sports on TV, especially when they involved his Dallas Cowboys, Los Angeles Lakers, New York Yankees, Nebraska Cornhuskers, or Tottenham Hotspurs. Chris attended high school in Artesia, NM, and was an integral part of two state football championships and one state track championship. He went on to play football for the New Mexico Military Institute and Eastern New Mexico University, where he obtained a degree in criminal justice. He later received a Master's Degree in education. When Chris visited Artesia from his home in Los Lunas or Belen, it would take him about five hours to get there because he would

take the "scenic route" between Vaughn and Roswell and would never drive over the speed limit. Chris is now with his beloved baby brother and his Grandma and Grandpa. Our dad, son, brother, grandson, nephew, and uncle will be greatly missed and we will never forget him and the many memories he has given us. Please sign Chris's online tribute at [www.romerofuneralhomenm.com](http://www.romerofuneralhomenm.com) Romero Funeral Home, 609 N. Main St., Belen, NM.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **24**. 10:00 AM (MT)

Romero Funeral Home Chapel  
609 N. Main St.  
Belen, NM 87002  
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## Celebration of Life

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# Tribute Wall

CB

“ I was shocked to read this just now! Chris was always such a polite, respectful kid that I enjoyed watching in all his sports activities at school. Pat & Milo and the rest of the family, I am so sorry for your loss! It is so hard to lose your children, no matter what their age is!! Hugs and Prayers for you all!!💔🙏🙏🙏

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**Connie Baker** - May 10, 2024 at 01:36 PM

PM

“ I was saddened to hear of Chris’s passing. He was such a nice guy but had a warrior’s heart. No matter the sport, Chris was one of the best. I still remember his little league days when he crushed them over left field as a pull hitter. He dominated in track, especially the 400. My best memories are of him running the football. He hit the hole fast and was tough as nails. Much love to the Olivas family.  
Paul Maupin

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**Paul Maupin** - April 23, 2024 at 02:38 PM

PA

“ My heart is broken to learn the sad news of Chris passing away. He and my son Trey Allen were buddies especially I think in football. I recall Chris mostly as a track athlete and running relays. He was lightning fast. Coaching guys like that is really fun. I will hold his family in my prayers. Coach Pam Allen, retired.

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**Pam S Allen** - April 20, 2024 at 09:42 PM

EB

“ *Melina and Micah, so sorry for your loss. May God's promises bring you peace and your memories of your dad bring you comfort.*  
*Love you*  
*Grandma Baca*



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**Ermelinda Baca** - April 18, 2024 at 07:08 PM

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*My sincerest condolences to you for the loss of your son Chris.*  
*Thoughts and Prayers to all your family 🙏❤️🙏*

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**Olivia Haines** - April 23, 2024 at 10:59 AM