



Emily Aurora Ortiz

February 4, 2007 - October 17, 2023

2007-2023

Emily (Em) Aurora Ortiz, age 16, entered into peaceful rest on Tuesday, October 17 with her devoted parents by her side. She was born on February 4, 2007. Em was a feisty, young lady with a strong will to live. She not only lived but she lived with a lot of tenacity and toughness. Em had a contagious smile and infectious laugh that illuminated everything around her. She was a student at Infinity High School where she was expected to graduate in 2026. Em was thriving in school and loved time with her friends. She was a member of the Los Lunas Seventh-day Adventist church where she found a true love of her faith and belief in Jesus. Em enjoyed laughing and playing with other teens but also enjoyed her time of solitude. She had a magnetic personality towards young kids and they always seemed to gravitate toward her. Em loved listening to music and “just chillin”. Her siblings had a true love for their sister and their lives were enriched because of her. They all shared something special about their sister.

“My favorite thing about Emily is that she was never afraid to dish it back to me. She always let me have it right back when I would poke fun at her, and we could always have a good laugh about it. Love you Em “Emily always loved to laugh, and I loved that about her. My favorite memory was seeing her after her kidney transplant, she was so happy. I will always remember it.” – Alejandro (Son)

“My favorite thing about Emily was her love for music. She never did anything

without it playing. She always had a good song on!" – Olivia

"I love playing with you Emily. I love you!" - Raymeus

"I love you Emily!" - Dino

"Em was very sassy, sometimes too sassy but that was one of the things I loved about her. She always had a way to make me laugh. I couldn't have asked for a better sister" – Allie

Em is preceded in death by maternal great-grandfather, Fermin Ulibarri; maternal great-grandmother, Betty Cassano; maternal aunt, Jermaine Ulibarri; paternal great-grandparents, Tereso and Senida Rodriguez; and paternal aunt, Anamaria Ortiz. Em is survived by her parents, Alex and Andrea Ortiz of Veguita; sisters, Andie, Olivia, and Allie; and brothers, Alejandro, Raymeus, and Turay (Dino); grandparents, Andy and Annette Saiz and Ramon and Maria Ortiz; great grandmother, Elfa Ulibarri; and many aunts, uncles, cousins, family and friends. The family would like to extend sincere thanks to the exceptional doctors and nurses who cared for Emily throughout the years. The doctors and nurses at UNM PICU worked around the clock to give her the best care during her last days. The family would like to express their deepest gratitude to Dr. Craig Wong, Roseann Jacks, MSN RN, Valerie Prando, RN, and Donna Naclerio. A visitation will be held on Saturday, October 21, 2023, at 1:30 p.m. Celebration of Life following at 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. All services will be held at Los Lunas Seventh-day Adventist Church, 12 Thomas Road, Los Lunas NM 87031. Please sign Emily's online tribute at www.romerofuneralhomenm.com Romero Funeral Home, 609 N. Main St., Belen, NM.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **21**. 1:30 PM (MT)

* 7th Day Adventist Church
12 Thomas Rd
Los Lunas , NM 87031

Celebration of Life

OCT **21**. 2:00 PM (MT)

* 7th Day Adventist Church
12 Thomas Rd
Los Lunas , NM 87031

Reception

OCT **21**. 3:00 PM (MT)

Alex's and Andrea's
295 Jaramillo Loop
Veguita , NM 87062

Tribute Wall

MJ

“ Our condolences on your loss, may God Bless & comfort your family during this difficult time & the years ahead. Cherish all the memories you were able to share together, she will always be with you in your heart, on your mind, & watching over you. Prayers for your family.
Marty & Beatrice Jojola



Marty & Beatrice Jojola - October 21, 2023 at 07:15 PM

EO

“ Andrea and Alex I am so sorry for your loss I didn't know Emily but I know she was loved dearly.
Ester Ortega and Family



Ester L Ortega - October 21, 2023 at 04:07 PM

MS

“ May Emily have eternal rest and peace. My deepest condolences to the family, may God Bless you all with the strength to stay strong throughout this difficult time.
My kids were fellow students at IHS with Emily.



Mrs Sanchez-Wills - October 21, 2023 at 12:18 PM

SG

“ Oh Em! Thinking of your sassy lil attitude, your soulful eyes, and your smile that lit up the room. I was so blessed to have been your teacher. May your star shine bright always!



Stephanie Gutierrez - October 20, 2023 at 10:21 PM

FS

“ Frances Silva lit a candle in memory of Emily Aurora Ortiz



Frances Silva - October 20, 2023 at 08:55 PM

SH

“ Our deepest condolences. Emily always lit up a room when she was present!



Saada Howard - October 20, 2023 at 11:19 AM

AE

“ We love you Em. Over and over in my mind I can see your sweet smile. And I will forever keep that in my heart. And I will keep that memory in my heart until I see you again one day. Thank you for showing us the true meaning of strength. We love you our sweet Em! Uncle Felix and Auntie Weezie.

Amanda Espinoza - October 20, 2023 at 10:48 AM



“ *My deepest condolences, Lo siento mucho* ”

Jimmy Perea - October 19, 2023 at 10:07 PM



“ *My sincere condolences to Emily's family. I will keep all of you in my prayers.* ”



Corine Trujeque - October 19, 2023 at 04:44 PM



“ *Emily was an incredibly talented artist and a beautiful soul. She absolutely loved drawing in art class and I enjoyed discussing artistic techniques in class with her. Emily was always up for a challenge with her artwork to develop her own art style. My deepest condolences, she will be missed -Ms Termini, Belen Middle School* ”



Camellia Termini - October 19, 2023 at 04:23 PM



“ *I'm so sorry for your family's loss.* ”



Dolores Parrott - October 19, 2023 at 03:15 PM

MS

“ *Ms. Romero BMS Counselor*



Ms.Romero - October 19, 2023 at 01:48 PM

AS

“ *Alane Stanton lit a candle in memory of Emily Aurora Ortiz*



Alane Stanton - October 19, 2023 at 01:35 PM

BM

“ *Emily never felt more loved than when she became an Ortiz. I never felt more loved than when Emily, after telling me to leave her alone many times, came running and hugged my leg and asked when I could come and see her again! She was a beautiful child who found a loving home. We pray for Andrea and Alex and the kids, some of the nicest people I ever met. We love you and miss you, Em. Bob and Karin Martin*

Bob and Karin Martin - October 19, 2023 at 01:25 PM

BG

“ *Emily has left us, but she will never be forgotten. Her positive attitude towards life and in everything she did at school will always give us a reason to (do what matters most; do what makes you feel alive and happy).*



Barbara Garcia - October 19, 2023 at 12:57 PM

DJ

“ David Jimenez lit a candle in memory of Emily Aurora Ortiz



David Jimenez - October 19, 2023 at 11:35 AM

K&

“ Emily you will be so missed you were such a good little girl!!! You were Kaiden’s best friend and he will never ever forget you!!! RIP beautiful angel ☐ Kaiden and family!



Kaiden Garcia &family - October 19, 2023 at 09:36 AM

TF

“ I had Emily in my Life Skills class last year and she always had a smile on her face. Before school let out last May, she gave me a note that said " to Mrs. Frettem thank you for being a hard working teacher this year. You deserve some candy". She drew a smiley face. She did give me some candy. This note has been on my refrigerator ever since. Rest in peace Em!
Mrs. Frettem

Tambra Frettem - October 19, 2023 at 08:41 AM

BB

“ We will miss you Em. Paisley will always hold a special place for you in her heart. You were always so kind to her and we love you so much!

Brittney Baca - October 19, 2023 at 08:21 AM

AL

“ I will miss Emily Aurora Ortiz I couldn't have asked for a better sister



Allie - October 19, 2023 at 12:45 AM

MK

“ Marilyn Kaneshiro lit a candle in memory of Emily Aurora Ortiz



Marilyn Kaneshiro - October 18, 2023 at 10:46 PM

DN

“ Donna Naclerio lit a candle in memory of Emily Aurora Ortiz



Donna Naclerio - October 18, 2023 at 09:28 PM

DN

Oh my sweet Emily, you were such a bright light that has touched so many lives. I am honored to have known you.

Donna Naclerio - October 18, 2023 at 09:32 PM

AR

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. Emily was a wonderful girl and will be missed.



Amanda Rankin - October 18, 2023 at 08:59 PM

BC

“ Emily you will be missed hita❤️ you touched a lot of lives with your sweetness and caring. My heart breaks for your mommy and daddy and your siblings but one day you will all be reunited with Jesus❤️

Betty Carpenter - October 18, 2023 at 08:54 PM

AM

“ Aubriana Martinez lit a candle in memory of Emily Aurora Ortiz



Aubriana Martinez - October 18, 2023 at 07:05 PM

RT

“ Raquel Torres lit a candle in memory of Emily Aurora Ortiz



raquel torres - October 18, 2023 at 06:57 PM

AR

“ I’m so sorry for your loss.
Aurora and Don Rollin



Aurora Rollin - October 18, 2023 at 06:51 PM

JR

“ Joylynn Rael lit a candle in memory of Emily
Aurora Ortiz



Joylynn rael - October 18, 2023 at 06:04 PM

HC

“ Our sincere condolences. May Emily Rest In
Peace 🕊️



Henry Mary Chavira - October 18, 2023 at 05:56 PM

HC

Henry & Mary

Henry Mary Chavira - October 18, 2023 at 05:56 PM

HM

So sorry for your loss 🙏

Henry Mary - October 18, 2023 at 05:57 PM

EG

“ Evelyn Griego lit a candle in memory of Emily Aurora Ortiz



Evelyn Griego - October 18, 2023 at 05:39 PM

EG

“ Emma Griego lit a candle in memory of Emily Aurora Ortiz



Emma Griego - October 18, 2023 at 05:39 PM

JM

“ Julie Marquez lit a candle in memory of Emily Aurora Ortiz



Julie Marquez - October 18, 2023 at 05:33 PM



“ Klaudia Sanchez lit a candle in memory of Emily Aurora Ortiz



Klaudia Sanchez - October 18, 2023 at 05:29 PM

AS

“ Antonio Sedillo lit a candle in memory of
Emily Aurora Ortiz



Antonio Sedillo - October 18, 2023 at 05:24 PM

RS

“ Raquel M Silva lit a candle in memory of
Emily Aurora Ortiz



Raquel M Silva - October 18, 2023 at 05:21 PM