



Gino F. Sanchez

July 28, 1964 - July 8, 2013

1964-2013

Gino Francis Sanchez, age 48, passed away suddenly on Monday, July 8, 2013. Gino was a Belen native, born on July 28, 1964 and attended St. Mary's Elementary School and Belen Junior High before going to NMMI where he graduated with honors. He received a bachelor's degree from Purdue University in Construction Management. Gino worked in the Chicago area, Puerto Rico and Brazil for Turner Construction Company. He also worked for Motorola as head of real estate and construction for Latin America before beginning his own construction and waste management company in Brazil. Gino has been living and working in Brazil for the past 17 years. Most recently he was contracted by Swift to work in Angola on a natural gas project. Gino was a man who knew no stranger. He touched the lives of all who met him. He was preceded in death by his father, Nick Sanchez. Gino is survived by his wife of 16 years, Minna McKimmey Sanchez; three children, Philip, Thomas, and Marisol; his mother, Juanita Otero Sanchez; his four brothers, John, Nicholas, James and Carlo as well as his two sisters, Consuelo Fossati, and Maria Elena Seager; six nieces and nephews. All services will be held at Our Lady of Belen Catholic Church, beginning with a viewing on Friday, July 12, at 6:00 p.m. with a rosary to be recited at 7:00 p.m. A final viewng will be held on Saturday, July 13, at 9:30 a.m. with a Funeral Mass to be celebrated at 10:00 a.m. Interment will follow at Our Lady of Belen Memorial Gardens. Sign Gino's online register book at www.romerofuneralhomenm.com. Romero Funeral Home, 609 N. Main St., Belen, NM

Cemetery Details

Our Lady of Belen Memorial Gardens

101 N. 10th Street
Belen, NM 87002

Previous Events

Viewing

JUL 12. 6:00 PM (MT)

Our Lady of Belen Catholic Church
101 N. 10th Street
Belen, NM 87002

Rosary

JUL 12. 7:00 PM (MT)

Our Lady of Belen Catholic Church
101 N. 10th Street
Belen, NM 87002

Final Viewing and Mass

JUL 13. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (MT)

Our Lady of Belen Catholic Church
101 N. 10th Street
Belen, NM 87002

Tribute Wall

CM

“ *I am chocked with I just learned. Super sad and my sincere condolences to the family and specially to Minna and the kids.*

Cecilia Marchi - November 11, 2015 at 08:58 AM

LE

“ *We all lost a great man on this day. Be strong. Call me when you feel up to it. My cell ids 281-210-70082, or my email is Lesha.Ervin@gmail.com.
I love and care F
for y 'all so.*

Lesha Ervin - July 25, 2013 at 07:41 PM



“ *Minna;
O que podemos dizer? Nos conhecemos à pouco tempo, e temos admiração tão grande por vocês...pela história linda de amor, família, trabalho e amigos, muitos amigos. Que Deus conforte a todos e dê forças para continuarem essa linda história, agora de uma forma diferente. Que Gino seja a inspiração de todos e que seu exemplo continue vivo em cada um de nós. Que Deus abençoe todos vocês...abraço apertado em todos, com carinho Amanda, Marcos, Giovanna, Luigi e Giulio.*

Amanda Amaral - July 22, 2013 at 04:05 PM

AL

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ANGOLA LNG - July 19, 2013 at 05:12 AM

“ Philip and Thomas,

Seems like such a short time ago, but it isn't, that a wonderful, vibrant, loving couple were looking for someone to share their lives. After waiting and waiting, almost all hope was gone. So, they had a trip to the States planned, when God, who knows, intervened, and your father was hospitalized with appendices, seems awful, no. Christmas ruined.

But what a New Year, a call. And a plane ride and lots of emotions and two wonderful boys. what an appendix can do. What God can do. Huh?

My Lord, were they ever happy, maybe thrilled, is the word. They scrambled for everything for you guys, we had a wonderful party at my chacara, everyone was so excited, you were the two most adorable guys around.

He watch every move you made, every word you spoke and every smile you smiled and comforted every hurt you had. He rejoiced in you, he lived for you, he loved you, and still does.

People will tell you that you are the men of the family, you are not You are the boys of the family. You have to now be a stronger part of the family, but your father is still the man of the family, he is watching every moment, taking care of every moment, he is in everyone you meet, family, friends, teacher, even people on the street..... look for him.... he is there.

HE WILL ALWAYS BE THERE WHEN YOU NEED HIM

Your job? Be honest to yourself and to him, do your best for him and for you and your mom. Understand that being sad is fine and healthy (I am still sad) But you Dad wants only the very best for you.... so go and get it. Be brave, Be good, Love each other, Be there foe each other, because when your are with each other, you are with him.

you know, you have all my love.

Tia Rosanne

RH

“ Oh, how we remember the smile, the laugh, the compassion and the always willingness to give a hand, and of course, have fun. What a wonderful guy. We will miss him, but always remember him at every bbq, with every leaky faucet that he fixed and every mood he lightened. A smile that was contagious, a soul that was pure and a love for all things.
He leaves a beautiful family that he helped create and will continue to look after and protect, because he is Gino, and can do no less. I would say, rest in peace, but you still have a lot of work ahead of you.. may God, as the Irish say, hold you in the palm of his hand, and until we meet again.

Rosanne Hogan - July 17, 2013 at 01:09 PM

BN

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Buddy N. - July 15, 2013 at 11:45 AM

MI

Thank you for sharing this picture. It's nice to get a glimpse of this life Gino had away from us. I hope all of you know that he did enjoy his time in Angola, his new adventure and the professional challenges.

Minna - July 16, 2013 at 09:15 AM

BN

“ It was been a pleasure working with you Chief Gino, for a short period of time here at Soyo you've touch and inspired me in different ways. For sure you are happy where you are now.

Our deep condolence and prayers

Thanks for all

*Buddy Nagpala
Angola LNG Team*

Buddy N. - July 15, 2013 at 10:04 AM

EC

“ *Our Father, Who art in heaven
Hallowed be Thy Name;
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. Amen.*

Gino, I thank God for the opportunity he gave me to cross paths with someone as passionate about life, carefree and family orientated as you.

God has a reason for everything he does, so im not going to question why. As for your wife and children, the will of the Lord will not take you where his grace will not protect you!

My deepest and sincere condolences

Que sua alma descanse em paz

*Eugenia Carlos
Soyo, Angola*

Eugenia Carlos - July 15, 2013 at 05:19 AM

DI

“ *Gino vai fazer muita falta em nossas vidas! Era uma pessoal maravilhosa!*

Minna e crianças estamos com vocês em pensamento...

Gino obrigado por tudo!

Júnior, Diana, Nicolas e Luana

Diana - July 14, 2013 at 07:52 PM

DI

“ *1 file added to the album Gino em nossas vidas*



Diana - July 14, 2013 at 07:47 PM

MI

Que linda Diana. Obrigada para ter feita isso para nos. Bjs

Minna - July 16, 2013 at 09:18 AM

RD

“ *OK Gino, we know you are up there listening to us. You were truly a family guy who loved and was loved by your family and friends. I am going to miss our talks about american football during rugby games. If I am luck I'll meet you there eventually.*

Ronaldo Dias - July 14, 2013 at 08:04 AM

BH

“ *Gino was someone Steve and I bonded with very quickly--perhaps due to our shared love of New Mexico and of course, green and red chile. He will be remembered for his easy-going ways, friendliness, and the love he showed for his family. I will do my best to help keep his wonderful memory alive and am holding him, Minna, and the kids close to my heart today.*

Bridget Herrera - July 14, 2013 at 06:23 AM

AD

“ *I have no words express my sadness over the loss of Gina so I take some words from others to try and express my sorrow.*

"It takes a minute to find a special person, an hour to appreciate them, and a day to love them, but it takes an entire lifetime to forget them".

Gino

"You and I will meet again

When we're least expecting it

One day in some far off place

I will recognize your face

I won't say goodbye my friend

For you and I will meet again".

My thoughts and prayers are with you Minna, Thomas, Phillip and Marisol.

Annabel Donald

Annabel Donald - July 14, 2013 at 06:07 AM

SD

“ Gino, you were always a great friend of mine and we shared many fun moments together. I really enjoyed your company in Brazil and have enjoyed keeping in touch since we left. I think we could relate to each other given we were trying to run our own businesses in Brazil after spells with multi-nationals and we shared many trials and tribulations in an often difficult environment. Its hard to meet someone with such a warm heart and such generosity towards friends and colleagues. You never had a bad word to say about anyone and always looked on the bright side of things, and always with a smile on your face. I'll never forget the times we had watching rugby together, even though you never had the same appreciation of the game as some of us, you were there to be with your mates and for a beer and a picanha!.

I really want to say thanks for being a friend to myself and to the Donald family, and be assured we will continue the friendship with Minna, Thomas, Phillip and Marisol.

Stuart, Annabel, Ben, Oliver & Harry Donald



Stuart Donald - July 14, 2013 at 03:52 AM

S(

“ We're so sorry to learn about Gino's passing; he was a wonderful man and great father. Ann, we hope the wonderful memories you have of Gino will help you get through the difficult times ahead. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Don & Susie (Ward) Hamilton

Sue Hamilton (Ward) - July 13, 2013 at 07:59 PM

JM

“ John Maynard purchased the Heart's Companion Bouquet for the family of Gino F. Sanchez.



John Maynard - July 13, 2013 at 10:11 AM

JM

“ Gino: I've been remembering all week the great trips our families shared to Uba Tuba, Parati and Fazenda Bela Vista. You were a dear friend always with a good story, laugh, support and of course a good caipirinha. I'll miss you, buddy. My heart and prayers are with Minna, Philip, Thomas and Marisol. John Maynard

John Maynard - July 13, 2013 at 09:59 AM

AB

“ We got to know Gino as an extremely gentle person, caring for and sharing with others, no matter what. The world was a better place with him. We will miss him. Michaela, Simon & Franz Kron

Andy Bays - July 13, 2013 at 08:13 AM

MM

“ Thank you for the great conversas, the laughter and smiles. Minna, Phillip, Thomas and Marisol are in our hearts and thoughts. Gabi and I lit a candle inside Saint-Germaine du Pres for you. May lots of light and love surround all the Sanchez family. Abraços !!! Mariana

mariana sanford maynard - July 13, 2013 at 05:05 AM

DC

“ You made people's life easy when everybody trying to find common sense way. At this time you are being missed... Let God protect Gino's family... From:David COsta

David da Costa - July 13, 2013 at 12:52 AM

AS

“ Anne Sole lit a candle in memory of Gino F. Sanchez



Anne Sole - July 12, 2013 at 08:32 PM

AS

“ Dear Minna, Philip, Thomas and Marisol,
We are so sad to hear about Gino. We always remember the wonderful farewell dinner we had with you in Holambra when we left Brazil and always wished we had had more time together. We remember Gino as always smiling, always helping. So loving. So positive. Our thoughts are with you now and always.
Anne and Jorge

Anne Sole - July 12, 2013 at 08:31 PM



“ Gino. I wish that we had known each other a lot better. I know now that you became the great man that I always thought you would become. The world is a much emptier place now without you. I'm glad you touched my life. Rest in peace my friend. 'will keep family in my thoughts and prayers.
Cadet John Dawes, Class of 1982

John Dawes - July 12, 2013 at 06:53 PM

LU

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Lucia - July 12, 2013 at 05:40 PM

MP

Que a sua alma descansa em paz, deixaste uma falta enorme no grupo MOB.

mpanzu - July 14, 2013 at 12:57 AM

AK

“ Gino partiu deixando a imagem de uma personalidade corajosa, tenaz e carinhosa, marcada por uma presença sempre sorridente e feliz.
Nossas preces para Minna e filhos neste momento tão difícil.
Forte e carinhoso abraço. Milton, Adriana e Noemi

Adriana Kayama - July 12, 2013 at 04:59 PM

JM

“ Gino, you will be greatly missed, I have known Gino for over 36 years, My family moved to Belen in 1975 then I attended NMMI starting in 1977, Gino and I became freinds when he came to NMMI, we shared the bond of being from the same hometown, he was one of the most caring and honerable human beings that anyone could ever meet, he excelled in everything that he set out to do, our world was a better place with him in it. Gino always had a smile for you to make your day a better one. My prayers are with all of Gino's family...God bless and Rest in Peace my Friend... Bob McNamara, Salem, Oregon



Joseph Bob McNamara - July 12, 2013 at 03:05 PM

MA

“ Myra Armijo-Caster lit a candle in memory of Gino F. Sanchez



Myra Armijo-Caster - July 12, 2013 at 02:26 PM

CR

“ Gino, we'll miss you. My heart and prayers are with you and your family.

Craig



Craig Romero - July 12, 2013 at 01:45 PM

DM

“ I do not know where to begin. Gino was like a brother. A group of us left our homes at the age of 13 or 14 to attend NMMI. All we had were each other. What a bond we built. We all had each others backs. We were and still are very tight. It would long times before we would all get back together, but when we did it was like we had never been apart. It was so good getting to see Gino at our 30 year reunion this last fall in Roswell. As many have said, Gino never met a stranger, was always in a great mood and always made you feel special. I am going to miss you my brother, but thank you for the great memories. Danny Monette NMMI 1982HS

Danny Monette - July 12, 2013 at 01:26 PM

LU

“ Quando conheci Gino e Minna á mais de 15 anos atrás no Brasil , foi visível o amor que Gino sentia por Minna e logo vieram os filhos Thomas , Felipe e Marisol , para complementar a união .

Para o Gino os filhos sempre foi o maior orgulho e alegria , foi um pai atencioso , amoroso , brincalhão . Era muito gostoso conversar com Gino , sempre tinha uma tranquilidade interior ,uma esperança de dias melhores , sempre um desafio bom pela frente e um entusiasmo cativante . Gino muito obrigada por nossas conversas nas festas do EAC e no churrasquinho em casa , vai ficar na minha memória.

*I will miss you Gino at EAC party , you saying “ Hi Lucy, how are you doing “ ?
Tears Gino Tears*

Lucia Helena Ramos Kuczynski

Lucia - July 12, 2013 at 01:03 PM

MI

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I met and worked with Gino when he came to Soyo (Angola). He was always upbeat, friendly, and kind. He had a gentle spirit that brightened everybody's attitude!!! His smile was absolutely contagious!

My thoughts and prayers are with you and the family!

*Mike Thomas
(Gino called me, 'The Hound Dog!')*

Mikey - July 12, 2013 at 09:58 AM

JE

“Gino and I were roommates at NMMI and swam on the swim team together. He was my closest and dearest friend. Our paths crossed many times over the years and Gino always kept in touch. At times, I'd be caught up in the daily grind and feeling pretty antisocial when the phone would ring. I'd pick it up and I'd hear, “Hey Catman! Sam Whiteman here.” Instantly, I was transformed.

Gino used to call from Brazil. He'd make a drink, I'd make a drink, and we'd talk. We'd talk about the old days, we'd get caught up on each other families, we'd dream about the future, we'd talk until Gino started to nod off. One night we had a great talk and after saying “goodnight” I ended the call with, “I love you.” I hung up the phone and immediately I thought: oh crap; one thing we didn't do at the Institute was go around telling each other, “I love you.” The next morning, I emailed Gino and told him I knew it was a little weird ending the call like that and that it wasn't like I didn't love him but... It was awkward; I was all confused. Gino responded to my email right away. He said, “No problem. I love you too.” Gino was way ahead of me.

Gino loved everyone, unconditionally. He touched so many people. The world is a much better place because of Gino.

James, Lesha, and Jamie

James Ervin - July 12, 2013 at 09:58 AM

EV

“Even though it was not very often i remember playing up at the papalote, where all you boys had to prove you were better than girls. My thoughts and prayers are with you and all your family.

Deep Condolence, Evangeline "Denise" Carrillo

Evangeline.Carrillo - July 12, 2013 at 09:22 AM

FB

“We started working together in 1997 at the Motorola Project and since then became friends. I remember Minna's first trip to Brasil, Gino invited us to meet her and did one of those marvelous brazilians barbecues we shared here and there, with caipirinhas etc. Later we became partners at Vasta and when we split our partnership, our friendship prevaled. I will allways remember you as a very special guy. We shared lots of good moments and difficulties at work. I will miss you a lot. Rest in peace...May Lord watch over Minna, Philip, Thomas and Marisol.

Our condolences to all Sanchez family.

Sincerely, Flávio Barreira

Flávio Barreira - July 12, 2013 at 08:25 AM

PD

“ Gino was a sweet and caring man. When my son , Zack Deery, came to Sao Paulo to go to the university, Gino was wonderful in helping him be introduced to the city and to the Sanchez family. They all made Zack feel very welcomed. Ted, Alison, Zack & I also shared in this hospitality, when we visited during Carnivale, a few years ago. What a lovely man, I am sure he will be missed. Love to the family & friends.

Sincerely, Pam Deery

Pam Deery - July 12, 2013 at 06:53 AM

GB

“ A great leader, but also a great friend. He loved to help people and I can say that it helped a lot of people. I would take one minute more with him to be able to thank you with all my heart all he did for me. Sometimes I forget he was my boss and saw as a father, a friend. He was always smiling! And the love he had for his children and his wife was something wonderful. All he did was thinking in his family. I have helped and where he is, I'm sure he is watching over us all. Thank you, Gino! My affection for you is forever! Minna and children, Gino was a great man! A great, good and dear man! I send here my embrace stronger!

Gabi Bueno - July 12, 2013 at 05:45 AM

JB

“ I've never seen Gino without a smile on his face. Working or chilling with friends, always smiling and always getting others to smile with him. We will miss seeing you coming to visit Estancia and seeing you at barbecues and parties, but you will always be with us in our wonderful memories of you. Rest in peace, Gino. We are and always will be thinking of you.

Jamie Bays - July 12, 2013 at 04:55 AM

CB

“ Dear Gino, a wonderful husband, father and friend. Always cheerful, always ready to help. From the big things; the construction of our wonderful stables and house, to the small things; the only guy who always helped to wash the dishes at a churrasco. Such great company, he always livened up any party. You will be sorely missed! Our thoughts are with your wonderful family.
Claire

Claire Bays - July 12, 2013 at 04:29 AM

RD

“ Ricardo Van de Groes and Jon Dockter purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Gino F. Sanchez.



Ricardo Van de Groes and Jon Dockter - July 12, 2013 at 02:05 AM

DO

“ Gino and I used to clang heads as kids. We met again after high school, knockin a couple down at a some bar. We had such a good time that night. He had developed a travel bug as had I. We both also shared our love for language. He laughed that when I talked, I didnt have a white accent. I remember he said, "youre the first whiteboy I've talked to in spanish that sounds chicano". It was the old Belen word prior to everyone using latino. I didnt see him for quite sometime when we met up again. He had been working at what I thought was Dominica but I guess it was Puerto Rico. We talked about our mutual desire for going to South America. He beat me there! After that, for someone from Belen like me, it seemed attainable. I looked him up on facebook a couple times and it was so nice to see him looking so happy with his beautiful family. Not completely, but in some part due to our talking, I have been to Brazil and other parts of South America. This is a bit of a shock as I always thought we would meet up both married to Brasileiras at some time in the future. I am very sorry we never got to meet up again at another bar somewhere and laugh about our dreaming at some other old bar so many, many years before. May God Bless Gino, his beautiful family and Nick.

Sincerest Regards

Donnie Stewart (formerly Tiley)

Que Deus abençoe ele e toda sua familia!

Donnie - July 12, 2013 at 12:49 AM

TF

“ The Harada, Caven, McKimmey, & Catalan Families purchased the A New Sunrise Spray for the family of Gino F. Sanchez.




The Harada, Caven, McKimmey, & Catalan Families - July 11, 2013 at 10:50 PM

RP

“ Gino's lively spirit will always be with us. Our love and prayers go to all his family. We comfort ourselves with the knowledge that someday we will once again be with him in the beautiful home God has prepared for us all and Gino now embraces.

Johnny and Ramona Peña and family

Ramona Peña - July 11, 2013 at 10:48 PM


Ramona
Hillstrand

“ May your hearts be warmed with happy memories of Gino. My prayers and thoughts are with the entire Sanchez family.



Ramona Hillstrand - July 11, 2013 at 10:08 PM

NA

“ Gino was a man of honor, great integrity and above all a great friend to all who knew him. I was blessed to have known Gino and treasure the memories from our days at NMMI. You will be missed my friend but never forgotten.

*Cpt. Nicholas Archuleta
SAC BNSF RR Police*

Nicholas Archuleta - July 11, 2013 at 09:13 PM

CG

“ Minna, Philip, Thomas and Marisol-
I am so deeply sorry for the loss of Gino. Right now, its hard to even try to say how much he will be missed by me, and by so many people. There are so many memories of so many good and exciting times. Gino was truly a remarkable man and I will greatly miss one of my dearest friends in the world. My deepest sympathies to you Minna, Philip, Thomas, Marisol and the entire Sanchez family!
Charles, Kim, Nicole and Drew Gabaldon

Charles Gabaldon - July 11, 2013 at 09:06 PM

SM

“ Sue And Tony Monteiro lit a candle in memory of Gino F. Sanchez



Sue and Tony Monteiro - July 11, 2013 at 09:01 PM

SM

We met Gino in 1996 when he first went down to Brazil with Turner to work on the Motorola project with Tony. We watched him fall in love with Brazil...and then with Minna.. He poured optimism and enthusiasm into everything he focused on. We are heart broken with the news. We send our love and prayers to Minna and the children.

Sue and Tony Monteiro - July 11, 2013 at 09:08 PM

MS

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Minna Sanchez - July 11, 2013 at 06:37 PM

BR

“ My deepest condolences to the family.

Barbara H. Romero

Barbara Romero - July 11, 2013 at 06:01 PM

KM

“ Where do you start! Gino was one of a kind who would do anything for anybody without blinking an eye. I have many fond memories of Gino and am saddened that he has been taken before his time. You will be truly missed, but never forgotten.

Kyle Murr

Kyle Murr - July 11, 2013 at 05:51 PM

LU

“ Gino, so came to Brazil, I had the pleasure to meet you, cultivate a friendship, we could have been more together, more walks of life, from overwork, separate us. With my children and with their life gave us another chance and returned to relate that good.

See how much has always been a loving father and a sincere friend.

May God enlighten their paths and the paths of his family.

I'm still here, do not know how long, but while you're here what your family needs, you can count on me.

Lucas, Adriana, Rafael and Thiago

Lucas - July 11, 2013 at 05:40 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Gino F. Sanchez.



July 11, 2013 at 05:35 PM



“ Dearest Minna, we are so so sorry to hear about Gino, and find it hard to believe it all. He was a very special person to so many people, most especially to you and the children, and I just wanted you to know that our thoughts and prayers are with you. It was so nice to have been able to spend some time in your company last September when we got to visit Brazil, and have the fondest, and fun, memories of you, Gino, The Bays, and Luci in a happy house that Gino was still working on to make sure there was light, running water, and a few nails in the walls. Thinking of you. Lots of love, Anne, Vincent, and family.



Anne Sweeney - July 11, 2013 at 03:31 PM

BM

“ Minna and kids, our heart is with you and all Gino's relatives! We can't believe that!

Signs: Maria Beatriz, Artur, Laura and Luisa, MBeatriz's parents brothers and sisters.

Bia Mundim - July 11, 2013 at 12:06 PM

JA

“ *Wij zijn heel blij dat we Gino en zijn familie Mina en de kinderen hebben leren kennen in Brazilië,
Gino Rust zacht en Mina heel veel sterkte met die grote verlies,tot ziens in Brazil
beijos*

Jans Antonis - July 11, 2013 at 11:14 AM



“ *Tranquil Seas was purchased for the family of Gino F.
Sanchez.*



July 11, 2013 at 10:38 AM

AK

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Axel Kreuels - July 11, 2013 at 10:29 AM

AK

As an Expat in many countries, I'm used to people going in and out of my life as I move from one job to another, and from one country to another. However, in 1996 Gino's and my "circle of Life" intersected by accident at a language school in Campinas where we were both taking Portuguese classes. It was Gino who help me get my first job in Brazil with Turner only three month after I arrived in Brazil. Over the next 17 years, both our lives changed significantly but, we always managed to stay in touch and visit every chance we got. In 2009 we moved back to Brazil and Gino and I picked up right where we left off seven years earlier as if only several months had passed. Gino was one of my oldest and best friends, because we were so much alike in many ways, especially the way we valued our families, integrity, work ethic etc. He was very easy to talk to, and one of the kindest and most generous men I've ever know, and we will miss him dearly. When we all got together for one of his famous BBQ's, it was more like getting together with family rather than just friends.

with Love from the Kreuels family

Axel Kreuels - July 12, 2013 at 11:46 AM

 Ziza
Cenamo

Dear Axel and Alexandra, we have to stick together in the future. A big hug from Ziza.

Ziza Cenamo - July 15, 2013 at 06:06 PM

EH

“ I had the privilege of meeting Gino at NMMI and then the luck of going to Purdue with him for 4 more years. I hold many fond memories of a Thanksgiving break road trip in a nasty ice storm to Minnesota to visit Jim Ervin. I have always thought that our paths would cross again and am very sad to hear this news. My very best to Gino's family at senseless moment.

Eric de la Harpe

Eric de la Harpe - July 11, 2013 at 10:27 AM

SR

“ Queridos Minna, Phillpe, Thomas e Marisol, sinto muito pela perda do amado Gino. Que Deus, Nosso Senhor possa confortar-lhes nesse momento de dor e tristeza. Mas GINO, está nos braços de Deus alegrando o Céu, com seu sorriso franco e sincero. Bjs no coração de cada um de vocês. Sandra Rigatto (Campinas, Brasil)

sandra rigatto - July 11, 2013 at 09:50 AM



“ There is so much I could say about my friend and pal... I will remember him as a fun loving person who could make the best out of any situation. He was wholly committed to his friends and family... He loved life and was the hardest worker I was ever around. I remember hauling alfalfa with him at the fields up by Belen High School when we were both in Jr. High together... I also remember the great times we had together laughing and just being kids... I will miss you... Say hello to you Dad from me....

Robert Chavez - July 11, 2013 at 09:26 AM

JB

“ Gino, you and your family always felt like a part of our family. We shared so many special and fun times together. I always felt like you were our "older brother" - you fit the role of caring older "sibling" so well and took such good care of your friends and family, but at the same time you knew how to have fun with us - lots of fun! Thanks for all the wonderful memories and never forget how special all of those moments together were and how much we care about your family. Peace...

(Jennifer Bertram)

Jennifer Bertram - July 11, 2013 at 08:41 AM

JB

“ Gino was one of the first people my late husband and I met when we went to Brasil when George was working with Turner. He was the greatest to be around and it was my pleasure to have shared so many great times with he and Minna. My heart breaks for Minna and the children and his family to have lost this dear man at such an early age. I'm sure he would tell me to "lighten up" as I shed tears over his passing.

JudithAnn Belz - July 11, 2013 at 08:31 AM

JE

“ Jennifer lit a candle in memory of Gino F. Sanchez



Jennifer - July 11, 2013 at 08:28 AM

AB

“ Gino, you were a truly special guy! Such a family man who I know will be so missed by Minna, Philip, Thomas and Marisol. Apart from family you always had time for all your friends and I am proud and privileged to have been counted as one. While working with you building the stables then more recently our house your skill and inventiveness was beyond explanation. In short you always had a solution!!!! Apart from that working with you on those projects was always a pleasurable time to be looked forward to often including a cold one (or two). Everywhere I look at home I remember you. It is with such sadness to know that you are no longer with us but the fond memories of you will live on forever.

Go well my friend and smile down on us all. We will miss you.

Andy Bays - July 11, 2013 at 08:26 AM

CB

“ Gino, words can't describe how you will be missed by the Bays family. Who were a special man with an amazing family!!! We owe so much to you for all the help you have given us throughout the years. Not to mention your friendship and company in special occasions, Christmas and New Years for example!!! Lots of love!!! We only have fond memories of you! You will never be forgotten!!!!

Charlie Bays - July 11, 2013 at 07:11 AM

SB

“ Gino, you were a great friend of the Bays family and every time you came around you had a big smile on your face and consequently you put a smile on everyone elses! You will be missed by all and we will never forget what a kind, generous and loving person you were! Thank you for everything you have done for us!!! my condolences to all of the Sanchez family.
Sean Bays

Sean Bays - July 11, 2013 at 07:03 AM

Ziza
Cenamo

“ I met Gino in Jaguariúna, Brasil, 1996. He had just arrived to Brasil and was on a Coffe shop trying to make himself understood in amixture of spanish and english. I offered help and exactly at that moment was borned one of the most fantastic relationships of my life. We kept on that night, going to other places, drinking and having a great time. We did not split away anymore, I worked with him at Motorola´s construction and after that we built our familys, always very close meeting in his house in Jaguariúna and Holambra, at JR´s farm or in Paraty at our place by the shore.
Minna, Thomas, Filip and Marisol, we are wayting for you in Brasil.

Ziza Cenamo - July 11, 2013 at 07:01 AM

CS

“ Gino was a good man he touched so many people he could brighten anyone's day with his presence and his laughter my dear friend you will be missed. Prayers go out to his family lord watch over his family guide & carry them there time of morning !

clay spears - July 11, 2013 at 06:58 AM

Ziza
Cenamo

“ Ziza Cenamo lit a candle in memory of Gino F. Sanchez



Ziza Cenamo - July 11, 2013 at 06:48 AM

MB

“ I will always remember Gino as an incredible role model to those of us who grew up with him around. He was the first person that I ever met who was currently in college and patiently answered my questions about it. This made a great impact on a simple kid from Belen, sowing the seeds for my own future education. I wish to offer my deepest sympathy to all of the Sanchez family and regret that I cannot offer it in person at this time.

Matthew Bridger

Matthew Bridger - July 11, 2013 at 02:27 AM

JS

“ Gino Sanchez was always a man of honor and outstanding morals. Gino always chose the hard right over the easy wrong even when we were kids. I am so proud to say I knew him and was his friend. He will not ever be forgotten! I regret being so very far away during this time and offer my deepest condolences to the entire Sanchez family. You all are in my daily prayers and thoughts. -LTC John G. Sanchez, Kandahar Airfield, Afghanistan.

John Sanchez - July 11, 2013 at 12:45 AM

RF

“ I remember being in class with Gino at Jaramillo Elementary. So sorry for his family having to suffer this sudden loss. My prayers are with you. - Rev. Randall N. Floyd, Clayton, NM.

Randall Floyd - July 10, 2013 at 10:42 PM

JS

“ So Sorry for your loss... "LORD my God, I called to you for help, and you healed me." Psalms 30:2 (NIV)

Jackie Sanchez

Jackie Sanchez - July 10, 2013 at 09:35 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Gino F. Sanchez.



July 10, 2013 at 09:15 PM

SS

“ To all of those who knew Gino. We all know what kind of man he was. He was the man who would give the shirt off his back to a stranger sitting on the curb. He would give his last dollar in his wallet to the same stranger. But, the Lord has taken him from the world into his. Are we sad? You bet. Will he be forever missed? Absolutely. I know that each and everyone who encountered Gino learned something from him. What I take away from Gino is this... He married the love of his life. He took that woman and they both saw that two of God's children were taken under their wing and taken care of. They brought this lovely girl into the world to share their love. All four of these people's lives will be forever changed. Hopefully for the better, cuz they had Gino in their lives!!! Gino, I know you are up there in the gates of heaven awaiting the next companion, family member, or next stranger. You are ready with opened arms. We will see you one day my friend, but you will be missed forever. All our love to the Sanchez's and all who knew Gino.

Tad, Susanne (McDevitt) and Kimberly Stephenson. 7/10/13

Susanne Stephenson - July 10, 2013 at 08:07 PM

MS

Thank you for such kind words.

Minna Sanchez - July 11, 2013 at 05:13 AM

BG

“ *Nossas condolências para toda a família. Gino descanse em paz!*

Berenice, Nicole e Gáspere

Berenice Gaspere - July 10, 2013 at 07:29 PM

Heidi
Clark

“ *Prayers and condolences to the family.*
Heidi Clark (Krassnitzer)



Heidi Clark - July 10, 2013 at 04:45 PM

RZ

“ *I am so sorry for your great loss, My prayers and heart felt condolences to all of Gino's Family. May God keep you close in this time of great need. Love always*
Rosemary Zamora

Rosemary Zamora - July 10, 2013 at 04:27 PM

RH

“ I am very sad to hear about Gino's passing he was a classmate and friend of mine at NMMI. Just last year I spent 2 very good days with him while attending our 30th high school reunion. My prayers and thoughts go out to his family. Rest in peace Gino I miss you!

Robert B. Holton

Robert B. Holton - July 10, 2013 at 04:03 PM



“ Patty Wagy lit a candle in memory of Gino F. Sanchez



Patty Wagy - July 10, 2013 at 01:13 PM



“ I remember when Uncle Butch (Nick) arrived at our house with his lovely bride to be. Joanna Otero was her name and she was beautiful. Gino was first born and all was right with the world. His skin was as soft and smooth as silk and he was beloved beyond words. He was always very kind and gentle in nature with me and I am greatly heart broke for his family by his sudden departure. Another Angel called, "come home love, come home," Condolences to aunt Joanna, Mina, his loves three children, Counsuelo, Los cuates, John and Nick, Maria Elena, James and Carlo. Too all those who loved him so much I am thinking of you. Rest in peace Gino bug. All my love, Patricia

Patty Wagy - July 10, 2013 at 01:12 PM

ES

“ To Minna, the kids, and the Sanchez Family, you were blessed with one of the greatest guys. How fortunate that you were able to walk this earth with Gino by your side. I know he was so very proud of his family and we also thought of him as family as well. May you find comfort in his memory today and always. - All our love and thoughts - The De Smet (McDevitt) Family

Erica De Smet - July 10, 2013 at 10:01 AM