



## Michael Sandoval

September 24, 1979 - December 7, 2020

1979-2020

Michael "Mikey" Sandoval, age 41, of Belen, NM, unexpectedly passed away due to Covid-19 on December 7, 2020.

Mikey was preceded in death by grandparents, Tomas and Nancy Sandoval; grandparents, Jerry and Mary Gonzales; baby sister, Sharon Sandoval; and many aunts, uncles, and family members.

He is survived by his parents, Michael and Theresa Sandoval; little sister, Connie and brother-in-law, Richard Chavez and their children, Richard Jr., Alisa, and Lily; little brother, Daniel, sister-in-law, Maria Sandoval and their son, Adam "Zay"; girlfriend, Rebecca Tafoya and his step-children, Marissa, Gabriel, and Navaeh.

He was a gentle giant, a big teddy bear. Mikey loved his family so very much. Nothing mattered more to him than spending time with family, whether it was a matanza, hunting, camping, or fishing. Mikey's favorite thing to do was to go hunting with his mom, dad, brother, and sister. He began hunting at a very young age, with many family members, year after year. Mikey was a jack-of-all-trades, but considered himself a welder like his Pops and Grandpa. Mikey did not have children of his own, but built a life with his girlfriend and her three children, whom he loved and cared for immensely. He loved being an uncle

and nino to his nieces and nephews. Mikey was loved by everyone and will forever be missed. There will be a Celebration of Life on Wednesday, December 23, 2020, at 10:00 AM at Legacy Church, 4701 Wyoming Blvd. NE, Albuquerque, NM 87109.. Please sign Mikey's online tribute at [www.romerofuneralhomenm.com](http://www.romerofuneralhomenm.com) Romero Funeral Home, 609 N. Main St., Belen, NM

# Tribute Wall



“ Happy 45th early birthday my dearest nephew, you are missed always ,I think about growing up with u ,and everyone at school calling us brother and sister ,it was funny their reaction when we would say that I was ur Auntie' , lol... I have so many memories with u I will cherish and hold close ,I have u with me always ! Continue watching over us all ,love ya kiddo.

Sarah Gonzales - September 23, 2024 at 12:44 PM



“ R.I.P Mr. Sandoval. You will be missed by many. Although, you were taken too soon so many have good memories with you. Thank you for my memories with you.



April Maldonado Olivas - December 16, 2020 at 09:51 PM

SG

“ I'll miss u my nephew , we grew up together, always fighting and bugging and loving eachother haha, everyone thought we were brother and sister in school and it upset us both, that no one could understand we were auntie and nephew , I never got to tell u I loved you ,and that's what hurts the most.RIP Hito,your always in my heart....

Sarah Gonzales - December 12, 2020 at 05:03 PM

DO

“ 🥹 Mikey...can't believe you're gone , My Friend but I know you're now present with The Lord 🙏~R.I.P.~

Dorothy - December 12, 2020 at 01:22 AM

DF

“ *Dennis, Mary Maestas & Family lit a candle in memory of Michael Sandoval*



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**Dennis, Mary Maestas & Family** - December 11, 2020 at 02:20 AM


TA

“ *I didn't know Mikey very well I do know remember seeing him at family gatherings and how funny he was and how much he loved being with family and friends and just sharing stories and he will be severely missed.*



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**Tamara** - December 09, 2020 at 11:55 PM

 Susan Ritz

“ *I didn't know Mikey but I do know that my cousin, Rebecca, loved him very much. I always saw her posts on face book that showed how much she felt about him. I am very sad to hear about his passing. I am sure he knew how much she loved him. May he rest in peace.*

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**Susan Ritz** - December 09, 2020 at 08:58 PM

RE

“ *I love u with my whole heart babe. I will cherish all our memories. U taught me and the kids so much . I thank u for showing me what true love was .ur my bestfriend, soulmate and love of my life . I know u would of been my husband. I want to thank his whole family for excepting us and becoming family. Rest in peace my handsome love . Hunting was fun with u and jst everyday with u.*

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**Rebecca** - December 09, 2020 at 08:08 PM

NS

“ Noel Sanchez lit a candle in memory of Michael Sandoval



Noel Sanchez - December 09, 2020 at 08:07 PM

DR

“ I remember michael and Shayne growing up in meadowlark with Cuz Debbie and lawrence, Mario and Dorreen and all the kids you were a wonderful guy Rest in Peace Michael



Dina Romero - December 09, 2020 at 07:54 PM

AA

My deapest condolences to the Gonzalez and Sandoval family I lost for words on how you lost someone so young and you all know I love you all and miss the whole bunch of you cos you where like my family too. Mickey I pray to you that your new life with GOD will be the best watch over your family cos the love for you will never end GOD bless you and have fun on your new journey in heaven. AMEN

Antonio S ArronaJr - December 09, 2020 at 08:41 PM

JM

“ Mikey I remember when we use to Cruise cental .. When I use to live with you guys you always maked sure me and connie were not getting in trouble I will miss you for ever the biggest teddy bear I love you ..❤️



Jennifer moyer - December 09, 2020 at 07:53 PM

JM

“ *Judy Mirabal lit a candle in memory of Michael Sandoval*



Judy Mirabal - December 09, 2020 at 07:40 PM

JM

“ *Mikey... You will be missed... Your Uncle Joe will miss the days you would stop to have lunch with him or just to sit and talk. Love you..REST IN PEACE*

Judy Mirabal - December 09, 2020 at 07:37 PM

JE

“ *I remember being about 10 in El Cerro Mission, Mikey showed me how to ride a bike w/out training wheels on Danny's little bike.*

Jessica - December 09, 2020 at 07:22 PM

LA

“ *Layla lit a candle in memory of Michael Sandoval*



Layla - December 09, 2020 at 07:12 PM

LA

*You will be forever missed my sweet cousin. Fly high with the angels. Give my brother a huge hug for me.*

Layla - December 09, 2020 at 07:13 PM

AM

“ Auntie Angel Martinez lit a candle in memory of Michael Sandoval

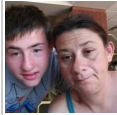


Auntie Angel Martinez - December 09, 2020 at 06:35 PM

CG

*Here is a candle to a wonderful man and the perfect angle.  
Mikey Sandoval*

Carmen Gonzales - December 09, 2020 at 08:00 PM



*i remember when we had family get together i missed when he played spanish music it was fun. i will always miss you fly high*

Christina Garcia - December 09, 2020 at 10:24 PM