



## Philip "Bull" Garcia

October 3, 1967 - January 8, 2023

Philip "Bull" Garcia, age 55, a resident of Los Lunas, NM, peacefully joined our Lord and Savior surrounded by his loving family on January 8, 2023, after having battled various ailments. A Graveside Service will be held on Friday, January 20, 2023, at Tome Catholic Cemetery in Tome, NM, at 1:00 p.m. He was born in 1967 to Celestino and Ann Hernandez Garcia in Orange County, CA. Bull graduated from Los Lunas High School in 1986, was a volunteer firefighter, YAFL assistant football coach under Head Coach Dominic Otero, and worked for Los Lunas Schools for 19 years. He was a very special person. Bull's love for life was contagious, he never met a stranger, and was a die-hard WWE and Raider fan. Philip is survived by his parents; loving brothers, Gregory (Jennie), and Andy Garcia; nieces and nephews, Cypress, Emily, AJ, and Patrick; great nieces, Ophelia, Odette, and Olivia; maternal uncles, Jess (Jeannie), Jimmy (Rosie), and David Hernandez (Arlene); many cousins; and special cousin, Arlene. The family would like to thank Gina Aragon for her longtime friendship and mentorship with Philip. He has made many friends within the community of Valencia County and will be dearly missed by all. Please sign Philip's online tribute at [www.romerofuneralhomenm.com](http://www.romerofuneralhomenm.com) Romero Funeral Home, 609 N. Main St., Belen, NM.

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

JAN 20. 1:00 PM (MT)

Tome Catholic Cemetery  
Tome, NM 87060

# Tribute Wall

MB

“ I remember Bull from Valencia El Cerro volunteer fire department. He was always happy and people loved him. Rest in peace Bull.

Michael Brophy - March 11, 2024 at 10:09 PM

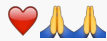
JB

“ Sorry to hear about Phillip's passing, he was well known for having a big heart and being very kind and gentle for being such a mountain of a man. We used to have cannonball competitions when they first opened the high school swimming pool, and he was fearless coming off that high dive. He always spoke highly of his brothers Greg and Andy and was a very genuine human being. You will definitely be missed Phil, God Bless you....



Joseph A Barta - January 30, 2023 at 10:06 AM

AG



Ann Garcis - February 01, 2023 at 05:06 PM

PA

“ Phillip was such a nice guy! I always loved talking to him about his football team! Rest In Peace Big Phill! 🙏

pam - January 28, 2023 at 12:32 PM

DG

“ Ann, I'm so sorry to hear about Phillip's passing.. My condolences go out to you & your family. May God be with you thru this difficult time. My prayers are with you always 🌹 🙏🙏

Dreciann Gallegos - January 25, 2023 at 10:21 AM

NM

“ Nacita Mendoza lit a candle in memory of Philip "Bull" Garcia



Nacita Mendoza - January 22, 2023 at 09:45 AM

LT

“ Dear Phillip García Family,  
I am extending my condolences on the passing of Phillip. I will always remember that he was in my first year, teaching second grade at the old Central Elementary, now Raymond Gabaldon Elementary. I followed him all through the years and he was a kind and loving person, all the way through. It breaks my heart to know he suffered so much during his last years. May God bless you all, Mr. and Mrs. Garcia, Andy, Greg, and the rest of the family. Love to all.

Sincerely,

Ms. Lorena Romero (his second grade teacher)



Lorena Torrez - January 21, 2023 at 07:00 PM

LL

“ I remember working with Philip he was a lot of fun,wonderful,kind person. RiP



Liz I lujan - January 19, 2023 at 09:56 PM

YM

“ RIP Phillip, Thank you for working with all the LL colleagues and coaches during the time of service in the schools.



Yvonne Moya-Storey

Yvonne Moya-Storey - January 19, 2023 at 04:22 PM

VI

“ Virginia lit a candle in memory of Philip "Bull" Garcia



Virginia - January 18, 2023 at 10:37 PM

VI

Condolences to the family . RIP Philip

Virginia - January 18, 2023 at 10:38 PM

FO

“ *Philip was always a joy to be around.*



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**Freddy Orosco** - January 18, 2023 at 10:01 PM

NG

*Worked with Phillip for many years. Always laughing and having fun. He was a joy. So sorry for your loss. Norma and Lala Griego.*

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**Norma Griego** - January 19, 2023 at 08:02 PM

HC

“ *My condolences to Philip family and friends. I remember him as a happy go lucky person in high school he was a grade ahead of me. He always smiled and laughed he also played football with my brother in high school. I few years ago I talked to him on the phone it was a great conversation. We just never know how long we have left on this ride we call life. God has set plans for each of us a task at hand. When God feels you have accomplished the tasks, he has given you he calls you home. Philip you can now rest and enjoy the peacefulness you have now.*



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**Heidi Krassnitzer Clark** - January 18, 2023 at 09:06 PM

IC

“ *Phillip always used to come to our house and visit with my husband Joseph, they would talk for hours, that laugh and smile he gave was big! He always was happy even when he was sick he was always in good spirits. Prayers to the family for healing during this difficult time!*

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**Ida Chavez** - January 18, 2023 at 07:27 PM

NM

“ I remember when Phillip always has the Nice's cars always had a raiders on



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**Nicole Mishell Medina** - January 16, 2023 at 11:09 PM



Barbara Sanchez

“ *Praying for the Garcia Family*



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**Barbara Sanchez** - January 16, 2023 at 07:40 PM

GS

“ *Gina Sallie lit a candle in memory of Philip "Bull" Garcia*



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**Gina Sallie** - January 15, 2023 at 08:40 PM

JM

“ I knew Phillip my entire life. We grew up together, played sports together, and shared many memories. When we played football he was always the first person to bust through the big paper football sign the cheerleaders were holding, screaming as he ran through must have been a hell of a sight for the visiting team. I'll never forget one play at Kirkland central, coach Valencia yelled for Phillip to get in the game, on defense, I saw him running in at full speed, Kirkland was getting ready to snap the ball, phillip never stopped, timed the play perfectly with the snap and disrupted the entire play. We talked about that play on the ride home and you could see the pride In Philips face. Every time I ran into Phillip in the years to come I always made time to stop and talk with him, ask him about his life, and it was always so interesting as he laughed and smiled telling me his stories. Phillip was one of my daddy's favorite people, I can still picture them laughing together, telling stories, and of course “the play” that my dad would always bring up.

*Rip Philip I know you ran through the gates of heaven with the same passion and excitement as you did with all of us down here.*

*Condolences to all the family, I know how much you all loved him.*

*He was a good man who cherished his Mom, Dad and brothers.*

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**Jimmy Martinez** - January 15, 2023 at 03:35 PM

GA

“ Gina Aragon lit a candle in memory of Philip "Bull" Garcia



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**Gina Aragon** - January 14, 2023 at 11:32 PM

GA

“ I just can't believe he's gone. It was an uphill battle for Bull, my heart breaks because he really wanted to win this. Will miss him a lot. I've been gravely ill too and was hoping to get to see him outside of FaceTime. We met in late 1992 at VCFD District 3, among a handful of dedicated volunteers for a wide range of the county and became friends and helped each other in our own personal lives. The kids all called him Uncle Bull and loved him too. Heidi Creek would visit him each time he was hospitalized secret squirreling (her version of Door Dash) a treat or something good to eat to his room . The one thing that will ring in my ears for eternity is his big hearty laugh, guaranteed when you heard it you'd laugh with him. A very sweet humble and thoughtful guy I'm honored to have been his friend or like we said the sister/brother we didn't already have. Rest well brother I'll see you again some day. Mr & Mrs Garcia, Andy, and Greg you are a wonderful family, if there's anything I can ever do please let me know.

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**Gina Aragon** - January 14, 2023 at 11:32 PM

DS

“ Dorothy Sedillo lit a candle in memory of Philip "Bull" Garcia



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**Dorothy Sedillo** - January 13, 2023 at 12:41 AM

JG

“ You will forever be in my heart. My you rest in peace. Till we see you again. God be with you.



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**Jennie Garcia** - January 12, 2023 at 09:54 PM

BT

“ I was a classmate of Phillip. He was such a nice person he was kind to everyone. I hadn't seen him in a couple of years but when I saw him he was still that kind sweet person. My condolences to the family.



Barbara Trujillo - January 12, 2023 at 01:27 PM

TR

“ Teles And Esther Rael lit a candle in memory of Philip "Bull" Garcia



Teles and Esther Rael - January 12, 2023 at 12:28 PM

R?

“ Risemary Zamora 🙏💙🙏 lit a candle in memory of Philip "Bull" Garcia



Risemary Zamora 🙏💙🙏 - January 12, 2023 at 11:57 AM

AG

“ My memories with Philip were so much Fun he would go with all the cafeteria ladies to conferences he watch over all of us he was our bodyguard rest in peace, Philip love you

Annie Gaerlan - January 11, 2023 at 10:17 PM

AC

“ *Atilano Chavez lit a candle in memory of Philip "Bull" Garcia*



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**Atilano Chavez** - January 11, 2023 at 08:42 PM

AC

*Rest in peace my friend until we meet again.*

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**Atilano Chavez** - January 11, 2023 at 08:45 PM

SA

“ *Philip was a classmate of mine. I haven't seen him since I was in high school. But what I do remember about him was he had a heart of gold. Was always kind and respectful. May he find peace. He is no longer suffering and is flying high in the sky with the rest of the angels, Prayers go out to his family. Until we meet again. Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him . May he rest in peace. Amen. May almighty God bless us with his peace and strength, the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.*

*Sandra (Vigil) Aragon*

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**Sandra (Vigil) Aragon** - January 11, 2023 at 08:17 PM

BB

*Whopper was dear friend and will be greatly missed, my prayers are with the family*

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**Bruce Bennett** - January 12, 2023 at 01:34 PM

CB

“ *My Condolences to Cousins Ann and Celestino Garcia for the loss of Phillip Bull Garcia. I had the pleasure of working with Phillip. He was so kind to me and always made the time to talk to me. May he rest in peace kind Cousin. Connie Contreras Boyd*

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**Connie Boyd** - January 11, 2023 at 07:24 PM



“ *I have known Philip since October 1986. We met during a SEARCH that was held in Time. We then became good friends & he accompanied me to my Senior Prom in May 1987. We'd lose contact of and on over the years but we'd always talk when we saw each other. I hadn't seen him in about 5 years. I will miss him. Philip -- say hi to my dad for me.*



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**Caroline Garcia** - January 11, 2023 at 05:21 PM

MC

“ *Maggie Castillo lit a candle in memory of Philip "Bull" Garcia*



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**Maggie Castillo** - January 11, 2023 at 05:06 PM

MC

“ *So sorry to hear about Philip's passing. I just saw him on the 1st. If there is anything I can do please let me know.*

*Maggie Garcia-Castillo*

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**Maggie Castiy** - January 11, 2023 at 04:48 PM

CG

“ Philip was a classmate of ours with such a kind heart. He will be truly missed by so many of us. No more pain and one of God's angels! God be with his soul and his family during this difficult time.



Christine Gutierrez - January 11, 2023 at 03:55 PM

AG

Thank you ❤️🙏

ann garcia - January 11, 2023 at 04:18 PM

CE

“ Charles Eaton lit a candle in memory of Philip "Bull" Garcia



Charles Eaton - January 11, 2023 at 01:19 PM

AG

Thank you ❤️🙏

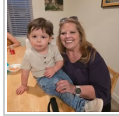
ann garcia - January 11, 2023 at 03:23 PM

RG

Ann, Celes, Greg and Andy I am so sorry to hear of Philips passing. He was such a good person and always good to me and my family.. He is no longer in pain and is in a better place. May his soul and those of the faithful departed rest in peace, Let perpetual light sHine upon them.

AGNES GARCIA (MAGGIE'S MOTHER)

Rose Agnes Gacnia - January 11, 2023 at 03:56 PM



*Oh Ann & Celestino, I am so sorry to hear of Philip's passing. I had not seen him in years, but Philip was always there with a huge smile & hug when we did run into each other. I am so sorry for your loss & the fact that I was not there for you at that time. Keeping you all in my thought and prayers.*

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**Lorraine Marquez** - February 09, 2023 at 12:18 PM