



William Chance Tafoya

January 8, 1991 - August 4, 2013

William Chance Tafoya, 22 years old, passed away on August 4, 2013. Chance pursued life with passion. There was no try, there was only “do”. He loved the mountains and hunting with his Dad, Carl Tafoya. He designed and welded chopper bikes, won science fair trophies, rode BMX, created amazing stencil art, and competed in grappling, MMA, and kickboxing tournaments. Chance and his Mom, Kim Berlat, shared the same goofy sense of humor, laughing at the most ridiculous things, and pulling those around them into their laughter. Chance and his brother, Sam Tafoya trained and sparred together. It was a piece of their lives that was exclusive to the two of them. Chance's love for Samantha Schnell made him whole. Chance leaves behind a family that adored him and friends that couldn't get enough of him. Chance's journey is far from over. He travels with wings on his back and the sky at his feet surrounded by laughter and peace. We hold him in our hearts, and when we speak his name, he stops for a moment, looks down at us, and smiles. Donations can be made to the “Chance Tafoya Scholarship Fund” at Rosales Karate and Kickboxing, PO Box 1328, Los Lunas, NM 87031

Cemetery Details

Magdalena Cemetery

Magdalena, NM 87825

Previous Events

Funeral Service

AUG 9. 10:00 AM (MT)

Magdalena Fine Arts Building
Magdalena, NM 87825

Tribute Wall

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Bill Berlat - September 29, 2013 at 10:47 PM



“ *Chance, thank you for all that you brought to our group and the joy that you shared; just realized yesterday, that you have gone on... sending love and hugs to your family and friends...thank you Chance for standing and being willing to step in for my son, Eddie, you looked just like him...and I was able to say good-bye through you...that was tough and you were awesome... When I see dragonflies I am sure instead of 3 there will be 4 now... as the circle gets wider... you both and Patrick had more in common than I realized... take care fly with the Eagles and peace be with your loved ones ~?~ pat m*

Pat Myers - September 03, 2013 at 04:18 PM



“ *Chance, we will miss your laughter and your sense of humor. Thank you for sharing a part of your life with us. You will be missed! Go with god, friend.*

*With love,
Scarpas staff*

Cyprian Preut - August 10, 2013 at 07:36 PM



“ *Chance was my nephew. As a lad he came to Colorado Springs with his mom and hung with my oldest son, Max. We hiked together, ate together, my family listened to his guitar-playing skills, we laughed together. I hadn't seen Chancey (as we call him) for many years, but I remember his gentle spirit, his peaceful soul. I kept up on his exploits (and challenges) through Kimmy (channeled through Kimmy's sister and my wife, Eden). I was excited that he seemed to have conquered his demons and was moving toward a brighter, more promising life.*



His passing hit me hard, much harder than I would have imagined. That last demon is sometimes hard to shake, for many of us at least. I wish Chancey could have conquered that last one - I hope others learn from his mistake. I'll miss his presence here on this big, blue rock - but I know I'll see him again, in due time.

Rest in Peace, lad - we won't forget, nor let your memory die.

With love, Uncle Steve

Steve Zaleski - August 08, 2013 at 06:49 PM

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andrew trujillo - August 08, 2013 at 02:35 PM