



## Julio Cesar Ruiz

May 4, 1961 - March 4, 2025

Julio Cesar Ruiz, beloved father, grandfather, brother and uncle passed away on March 4th, 2025 in Murray, Utah. He was born on May 4th, 1961 in Ciudad Juárez, Chihuahua, Mexico to Moises and Soledad Ruiz.

Known to all as Cesar, he loved being around his family. Cesar enjoyed having his grandchildren around and loved spending time with the whole family. He also loved dancing, cooking and hanging out with his friends. Cesar was a hard worker, and he would often use his love of cooking to earn extra money by cooking and selling various pastries. You would also often find him on his days off at the Swap Meet where he would sell various goods. He loved music. So much so that it would eventually lead to him joining a band playing percussion. He travelled with the band across the country and was in his element.

Cesar was married to Julia Mendoza in Salt Lake City and had a son, Julio Cesar Jr. and stepdaughter, Rita. Eventually they divorced but kept a close and friendly relationship. During one of his music tours, he met and fell in love with Irene Dianda of Garden City, Kansas. He would move to Garden City where he settled down with Irene and her two daughters, Alicia and Kayla. They would go on to have a son, Mario Humberto. Sadly, Irene passed away in 2000. Cesar stayed in Garden City, Kansas until 2005 when he moved back to Salt Lake City.

Cesar is survived by his sons, Julio Cesar Ruiz Jr. and Mario Humberto Ruiz, Stepdaughters, Rita Jones, Alicia Smith and Kayla Sanchez, his grandchildren

Julio Cesar Ruiz III, Jullian Ignacio Ruiz and Jemma Isabella Ruiz, Antonio Garcia and Kyliegh Gonzalez. Siblings Luz, Magda, Martha, Moises, Raul, Victor, Ruben and Mario. He also had many nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews and great-great nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents Moises and Soledad Ruiz, his brother Tony Ruiz, niece Alicia Ruiz and his wife Irene Dianda.

A viewing will be held on Wednesday, March 12th at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church (257 N. 700 W., Salt Lake City) from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

A funeral mass will be held on Thursday, March 13th also at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church at 11:00 a.m.

His ashes will be interred on Saturday, March 15th at Mt. Calvary Cemetery (275 U Street, Salt Lake City) at 12 p.m. (noon).

Please share any memories, pictures and condolences at [www.serenityfhs.com](http://www.serenityfhs.com)

Julio Cesar Ruiz, amado padre, abuelo, hermano y tío falleció el 4 de marzo de 2025 en Murray, Utah. Nació el 4 de mayo de 1961 en Ciudad Juárez, Chihuahua, México. Hijo de Moisés y Soledad Ruiz.

Conocido por todos como César, le encantaba estar con su familia. Disfrutaba de tener a sus nietos cerca y le encantaba pasar tiempo con toda la familia.

También le encantaba bailar, cocinar y salir con sus amigos. César era un gran trabajador y solía usar su amor por la cocina para ganar dinero extra cocinando y vendiendo varios pasteles. También lo podías encontrar en sus días libres en el Swap Meet donde vendía varios productos. Amaba la música, tanto que eventualmente lo llevaría a unirse a una banda tocando percusión. Viajó con la banda por todo el país y estaba en su elemento.

César se caso con Julia Mendoza en Salt Lake City y tuvo un hijo, Julio Cesar Jr. y una hijastra, Rita. Finalmente se divorciaron, pero mantuvieron una relación cercana y amistosa. Durante una de sus giras musicales, conoció y se enamoró de Irene Dianda de Garden City, Kansas. Se mudó a Garden City, donde se estableció con Irene y sus dos hijas, Alicia y Kayla. Tuvieron

un hijo, Mario Humberto. Lamentablemente, Irene falleció en 2000. César se quedó en Garden City, Kansas hasta 2005, cuando regresó a Salt Lake City. A César le sobreviven sus hijos, Julio César Ruiz Jr. y Mario Humberto Ruiz, sus hijastras, Rita Jones, Alicia Smith y Kayla Sánchez. Sus nietos Julio César Ruiz III, Jullian Ignacio Ruiz y Jemma Isabella Ruiz, Antonio García y Kyliegh González. Sus hermanas y hermanos Luz, Magda, Martha, Moisés, Raúl, Víctor, Rubén y Mario. También tuvo muchas sobrinas, sobrinos, sobrinos-nietos y sobrinas-nietas y sobrinos-bisnietos.

Le precedieron en la muerte sus padres, Moisés y Soledad Ruiz, su hermano Tony Ruiz, su sobrina Alicia Ruiz y su esposa Irene Dianda.

El velorio se llevará a cabo el miércoles 12 de marzo en la Iglesia de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe (257 N. 700 W., Salt Lake City) de 6:00 p.m. a 7:30 p.m.

Se llevará a cabo una misa fúnebre el jueves 13 de marzo a las 11:00 a.m. también en la Iglesia de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe.

Sus cenizas serán enterradas el sábado 15 de marzo en el cementerio Mt. Calvary (275 U Street, Salt Lake City) a las 12 p.m. (mediodía).

Por favor, comparta recuerdos, fotografías y condolencias en [www.serenityfhs.com](http://www.serenityfhs.com)

# Previous Events

## Viewing

MAR 12. 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM (MT)

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church  
257 N 700 W,  
Salt Lake City, UT

## Rosary

MAR 13. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (MT)

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church  
257 N 700 W,  
Salt Lake City, UT

## Mass

MAR 13. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (MT)

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church  
257 N 700 W,  
Salt Lake City, UT

# Tribute Wall

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“ *In Loving Memory of Cesar*

*Today, we remember a dear colleague and friend, Cesar, who brought joy and laughter to our lives.*

*Cesar was always kind and happy, with a great sense of humor that kept us smiling. His love for cooking, homestyle meals and baking was evident in the delicious treats he shared with us, from baked goods to delightful desserts.*

*He often spoke highly of his daughters and sons, expressing his pride and love for them. His mother, who had passed away, was a significant part of his life, and he would often reminisce about her with a touch of sadness.*

*Towards the end of our time working together, Cesar faced health challenges, which led to his separation from employment. Despite this, we kept in touch through text messages, and he often expressed how much he missed our work group of friends. His sadness was palpable, but his spirit remained strong.*

*Cesar was not only a great colleague and friend but also an amazing person to my children. He invited them out for fun days at arcades, creating fun memories.*

*We honor him today for his kindness, humor, and the love he shared with all of us!! He will always be remembered fondly and missed.*



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**Noria** - March 12, 2025 at 08:27 PM

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*Thank you Noria. We appreciate the kind words. I love hearing stories like this of my brother. He certainly loved cooking and baking. Another of his hidden talents. Thank you again for sharing.*

*Mario - younger brother*

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**Mario Ruiz** - March 13, 2025 at 09:20 PM

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“ *I worked with Cesar in 2016 when I recently moved from California, he approached to me and not only offered me help but also offered me his friendship when I didn't know anyone there. In that time I remember having a car accident and he stopped and stayed with me while my brother arrived, he was super kind and always caring for others. After I stopped working there we kept in touch through Facebook and everytime we would talk he would call me "Gloria Trevi" (like the singer) due to my rebellious hair, and that's something that I would keep in my mind forever. Rest in peace my friend.*



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**Elizabeth Luna** - March 11, 2025 at 02:08 AM

MR

*Thank you for sharing Elizabeth. Brings a smile seeing you got to know how kind my brother was. Thank you for sharing.*

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**Mario Ruiz** - March 11, 2025 at 11:17 PM