



Rodrigo "Jerry" Mendez

March 10, 1955 - March 21, 2016

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RACINE - Rodrigo "Jerry" Mendez, 61, passed away on March 21, 2016 at WFHC-All Saints. He was born in Cotulla, Texas on March 10, 1955, the son of Enemencio and Isabel (nee: Garcia) Mendez. Jerry was united in marriage to Elia Cruz on June 22, 1985 in Racine.

He had been employed with J I Case Company for 20 years as a transmission repairman and was a member of UAW Local 180. Jerry was a sax player with the Three Floors-Up band. He enjoyed camping with "The Men's Outing", vacations in Wisconsin Dells, and loved his Green Bay Packers. Most of all he loved spending time with his family and friends.

Jerry is survived by his wife of 30 years, Elia and their children, Erica Mendez, Joe (Debbie) Vasquez and Rebecca "Becky" Emerson; siblings, Samuel (Rosa) Mendez, Enemencio (Ellen) Mendez Jr., John A. (Trudy) Mendez, Roy Mendez, John J. (Barb) Mendez and Rick Mendez; grandchildren, Ryan, Gaby, Nick, Isabella and Ellyanah. He is further survived by his mother-in-law, Argentina G. Cruz of Rockford, IL other relatives and many friends.

Jerry was preceded in death by his father, Enemencio Mendez, mother, Isabel (Armando) Perez, father-in-law, George F. Cruz, Sr.; sisters, Esperanza Mendez and Ofelia (Pedro) Carbajal.

Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated at St. Lucy's Catholic Church on Wednesday, March 30, 2016 at 11 a.m. with Fr. Mark Jones officiating. Jerry will be laid to rest at Calvary Cemetery.

There will be visitation on Tuesday evening at Sturino Funeral Home from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. and at church on Wednesday, from 10 a.m. until mass time at 11 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorials to the family would be appreciated.

A special thank you to St. Luke's Hospital nurses and staff, the Hyperbaric Unit, nurse Tom from the ER at WFHC-All Saints and to the paramedics for their valiant effort.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

Racine, WI

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 29. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Sturino Funeral Home
3014 Northwestern Avenue
Racine, WI 53404
(262) 632-4479
info@sturinofuneralhome.com

Visitation

MAR 30. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Lucy Catholic Church
3101 Drexel Avenue
Racine, WI

Mass of Christian Burial

MAR 30. 11:00 AM (CT)

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3101 Drexel Avenue
Racine, WI

Tribute Wall

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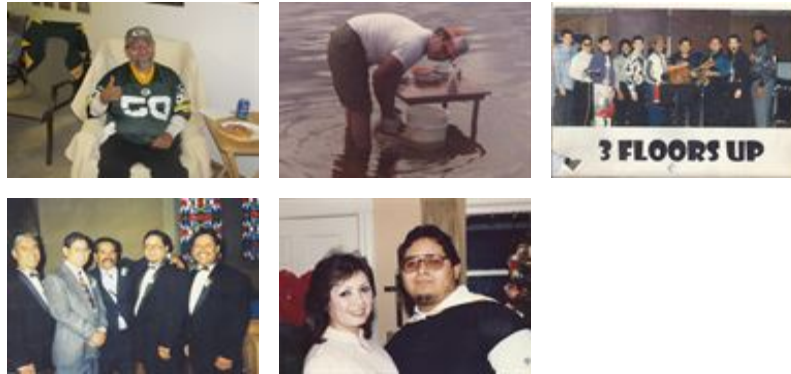
“ *Deepest Sympathy on your loss.*

Jim 'DOC' Poplawski, Chairman, UAW Local 180 Retirees

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My deepest sympathy Elia and all of Jerry's family may God bless you and give you comfort

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