



Epi Evan Jaramillo

September 12, 1927 - July 28, 2020

Epifanio “Epi” Jaramillo was a lifelong resident of Fort Garland; armed forces veteran; teacher “Mr. Jaramillo”; husband, father, coach, community volunteer and twice elected Costilla County Commissioner. Epi passed away at the age of 93. He was born in Fort Garland to Rudolfo and Terecita Jaramillo and had six siblings; all of whom predeceased him. Epi lead a full and remarkable life. He was widely known as a teacher, jokester, storyteller and terrific classic and jitterbug dancer and he loved hunting and fishing and getting together with his many life-long friends.

He is remembered as a phenomenal left-handed baseball pitcher as a student in Fort Garland who then went on to be a 4-year baseball starter and graduate of Adams State College {now University). After college, Epi joined the U.S. Army and served in World War II. He was later reactivated for the Korean Conflict. When he returned home, he was hired by the Fort Garland School District and later, the Blanca / Fort Garland Consolidated School District. He taught and coached there for many years. One year, as the Junior Varsity coach, he took his team to the State Playoffs where they won the State Championship. He later taught at the Centennial School District in San Luis from which he retired in the mid 1980s.

Epi’s wife, Ruth Lucero Jaramillo passed away in 2013. His Son, Epi “Sonny” Jaramillo, Jr., passed away just over a month ago. He is survived by son, Mark (Irene) and their children, Mark, JJ, Joell (Jasmine) Valles and great grandchildren, Brandon, Valerie, Nathan and Andrea as well as Sonny’s son, Nathaniel DiCamillo (Bailey).

A rosary will be said on Friday, July 30 at 7:00 PM at the Romero Funeral Home in Alamosa. Graveside services with military honors will occur on Saturday, July 31 at 10:00 AM at the Fort Garland Cemetery. To leave online condolences please visit romerofuneralhomes.com. The care of arrangements have been entrusted to Romero Funeral Home of San Luis.

Cemetery Details

Fort Garland Cemetery

Fort Garland, CO

Previous Events

Graveside Service

AUG 1. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (MT)

Fort Garland Museum
29477 Highway 159
Fort Garland, CO 81133

Tribute Wall



“ *Epi Evan Jaramillo*

January 29, 2023 at 07:44 AM



“ *Epi was a great man and appreciate the kindness and jokes he always shared. We will all have great memories of a wonderful man that always looked out for others, lived a life with an abundance of friends. Prayers to family im celebration of life. Rest In Peace Mr Jaramillo.*

James Zepeda - August 06, 2020 at 11:28 AM



“ *Epi. What an amazing man. Of all his great accomplishments, what I cherish the most, is giving me childhood memories of love and laughter. I loved listening to him! Whenever I think about him, I can't help smiling. Epi, may the love light within you guide your way home. Tell everyone they are loved and missed.*

Peggy Espinoza Puralewski - July 30, 2020 at 09:09 PM



“ *Epi was married to my mom's cousin, Ruth Lucero. Mom and Ruth were brought up by their grandma Francisca "Kika" Lucero. When Ruth and Epi started dating, he was my Colorado history teacher. After they were married, whenever they visited us in Colorado Springs, the party started. Epi loved telling stories and jokes - starting in English and often finishing in Spanish. My siblings and i all have fond memories of Epi and all the Jaramillo family. May he rest in peace.*

Wilma Espinoza - July 30, 2020 at 08:59 PM