



Erik W. Melgoza

September 6, 1968 - January 4, 2023

It is with heavy hearts and profound sadness that we announce the passing of a beloved father, grandfather, teacher, coach, mentor and an all around inspiration. Erik William Melgoza, 54, passed away January 4, 2023. Erik came into the world on September 6, 1968, he was the son of Fred William Melgoza. After he graduated Eads High School, he went on to obtain his Bachelors and Masters Degrees from Adams State College. Anyone who knew him; knew him to be compassionate, and he inspired others to be their best selves. He best demonstrated this through the work he did coaching sports. It did not matter if you were on his team or an opponent, he took great pride in giving guidance to anyone who sought it. In 2017, he led the Lamar Lady Savage basketball team to win the Colorado State Championship. Always in pursuit of new challenges, Erik became the Athletic Director with Alamosa High School in 2018. He later took up coaching again for the girls basketball team there. Erik was a member of CHSAA and CHSCA. He held many positions during his career, including Secretary, Vice President, and he was slated to be the incoming president of CHSCA. He influenced countless lives through his everyday acts and his passing leaves the world a little dimmer than it was when he was with us. He leaves an enduring legacy of faith, compassion and integrity that will carry on for decades to come. Coach Melgoza has an amazing overall coaching record of over 200 wins. On the rare occasion when Erik wasn't coaching or helping others, he enjoyed spending time on his San Luis Valley ranch. Of the many accomplishments

Erik had, his greatest sense of pride came from his children and grandchildren. He cherished the time he spent with them. His legacy will live on through his children Blayze (Lisa) Melgoza of Melissa, TX; daughters Jordan (Jeremy) Mallard of Hasty, CO; Emily Melgoza of Alamosa, CO; grandchildren Deacon Mallard, Tre Mallard, Emma Mallard, J.J. Mallard, father Fred Melgoza of Alamosa, CO; brothers Troy Melgoza of Pueblo, CO; Kelly (Christa) Melgoza of Lamar, CO; Damian (Camie) Melgoza of Gove, KS; Derek Melgoza of Cortez, CO. He is also survived by numerous extended family members, friends, and his beloved students and student-athletes. Funeral Service will be held on Sunday, January 15, 2023 at 2:00 PM at the Alamosa High School Gymnasium. Cremation will follow and inurnment will be held at a later date. The care of arrangements has been entrusted to Romero Funeral Home of Alamosa.

Tribute Wall



“ Erik W. Melgoza

January 29, 2023 at 07:44 AM



“ I have several good memories of Erik having coached him in football and basketball. The fondest memory of him was the very special message he sent me on facebook a few years ago relating to our relationship as coach and player. Was a great tribute to who he was and I could not have had a better compliment. I, along with many others, will truly miss him.

Coach Gail Crawford - January 15, 2023 at 09:40 AM



“ Red & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Erik W. Melgoza.



January 14, 2023 at 05:07 PM



“ Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Erik W. Melgoza.



January 14, 2023 at 11:03 AM



“ *Bountiful European Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Erik W. Melgoza.* ”



January 13, 2023 at 01:36 PM



“ *Bryce Strecker purchased the Roses For Sympathy for the family of Erik W. Melgoza.* ”



Bryce Strecker - January 13, 2023 at 10:22 AM



“ *Healing Tears - All White was purchased for the family of Erik W. Melgoza.* ”



January 12, 2023 at 11:13 PM



“ *Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Erik W. Melgoza.* ”



January 12, 2023 at 08:38 PM



“ *European Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Erik W. Melgoza.*



January 12, 2023 at 10:08 AM



“ *Red, White & Blue Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of Erik W. Melgoza.*



January 12, 2023 at 09:48 AM



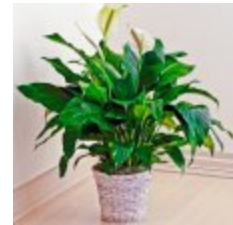
“ *Dan Gore lit a candle in memory of Erik W. Melgoza*



Dan Gore - January 11, 2023 at 04:16 PM



“ *Dan Gore purchased the Floor Plant for Sympathy for the family of Erik W. Melgoza.*



Dan Gore - January 11, 2023 at 04:14 PM

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“ *Patty and Amber Crowder purchased the White Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Erik W. Melgoza.*



Patty and Amber Crowder - January 11, 2023 at 12:11 AM



“ *Simply Lily was purchased for the family of Erik W. Melgoza.*



January 10, 2023 at 06:09 PM



“ *Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- All White was purchased for the family of Erik W. Melgoza.*



January 10, 2023 at 01:30 PM



“ *Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Erik W. Melgoza.*



January 10, 2023 at 01:23 PM



“ *Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Erik W. Melgoza.*



January 10, 2023 at 10:15 AM



“ *Healing Tears - All White was purchased for the family of Erik W. Melgoza.*



January 10, 2023 at 09:24 AM



“ *Love and blessings to the family especially to Emily a beautiful and sweet young lady. May our Dear Lord comfort you. You are loved.*
G. Fleming

Geraldine Fleming - January 09, 2023 at 11:17 PM