



Samuel "Sumida" Gallegos

April 1, 1943 - June 17, 2024

Our beloved Samuel "Sumida" Gallegos, 81, was called home to rest on June 17, 2024. He passed away at the San Luis Valley Regional Medical Center with his loving family by his side. Sumida made his grand entrance into the world on April 1, 1943. He was the beloved son of Daniel and Beatrice Gallegos. Sumida was united in marriage to the love of his life Kate Pacheco on April 17, 1965. They shared a happy and loving union. Sumida was a self-taught mechanic who ran his business from his residence for over 60 years. He was a car lover and loved building custom cars. His greatest joy was being able to build these custom cars with his family and loved ones for them, as well as other people in the community. Everyone in the community can recall Sumida always helped anyone he could with fixing their car or any other problems they were having. He was selfless and a friend to all. His kind and compassionate nature will forever be missed and cherished. In his free time, Sumida also enjoyed going to bingo, gambling at the casinos, hauling wood and spending time with his family. The joy of riding in the '56 Chevy Bel Air meant the world to Sumida.

Sumida was preceded in death by his parents, two children Sammy Gallegos Jr., Kay Kayla Gallegos, three grandchildren, siblings Sofie Martinez, Connie Vaughn, Nicky Gallegos, Alonzo Gallegos, Tony Gallegos, Bernice Young, Irene Meas.

His memory will live on through his wife Kate Gallegos, daughters Debbie (Frank) Martinez of Colorado Springs, CO; Kimberly Gallegos of Alamosa,

CO; son Joey Duran of San Luis, CO; 11 grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren Special niece Charlene Gallegos, brother Arthur Gallegos. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Cremation was chosen and Rosary will be held on July 12,2024 at Sangre de Cristo Catholic Church at 7PM. Memorial Mass will be held July 13,2024 at 10AM Centennial High School. Inurnment will follow at the San Luis Cemetery. To leave online condolences please visit romerofuneralhomes.com. The care of arrangements has been entrusted to Romero Funeral Home of Alamosa.

Previous Events

A Mass of the Resurrection

JUL **13**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (MT)

Centennial High School Gymnasium
San Luis, CO 81152

Tribute Wall

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“ *Rebbeca (Mercy)Santistevan (Rael) lit a candle in memory of Samuel "Sumida" Gallegos*



Rebbeca (mercy)Santistevan (Rael) - June 26, 2024 at 02:51 PM

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“ *My deepest condolences to you kate my best friend and to all the family he was such a great man to all the last time I seen him I was in San Luis when I had problems with my car he showed me what to do to get back to pueblo and asked me to take some Aspen trees from he's yard sure am going to miss him that is so sad to hear but I'm here for you kate come and spend some time with me in pueblo if you want to just get away my number 729-289-0727 call me sweetie and I'm so sorry*

Rebbeca (mercy)Santistevan (Rael) - June 26, 2024 at 02:48 PM

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“ *On behalf of my mom Rose Ann Sanchez and our family we would like to express our deepest sympathy to the Gallegos family. Our family have fond memories of Sumida and Kate. He was always there for my dad when he needed him. They were there for our family when we lost my dad. I am truly grateful for that.*

AnnaRose Martinez - June 21, 2024 at 03:49 PM

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My love and prayers go out to the family. Sumida was a kind and caring man always friendly and willing to help. My founders memory is when he painted my car. Me and my dad sanded it and he sprayed it. My dad called him primo or prim. my dad called everyone that so I didn't think they were really related, but so it turned out Sumida dad were true cousins. I will always have found memories of him. Now him and my dad will be working on cars together. Forever in our hearts. Love Yvette Lucero and family

yvette luceto - June 24, 2024 at 10:30 AM

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“ *Our deepest Sympathy for all of Sumidas Family. Sumida was a special friend to our family he was one of our dad's best friends he was always there whenever we needed him . Sumida fly with the Angels. God Bless all of his family. The Madrid Espinoza, and Aragon Families.*

GinaAragon - June 21, 2024 at 03:49 PM

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“ *My sincere condolences to my prima Kate, Debbie and Kimberly. Sumida was my mentor as I was Growing up in San Luis I worked for him at his shop during high school and years later. He taught me a lot both Auto mechanics & Auto Body! He also taught me how to be kind to people/help those in need and above all be the best/ give it your all! THANK YOU Sumida till we meet again!*

Ronnie Mondragon - June 20, 2024 at 03:41 PM

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“ My Family and I would like to extend our condolences to Kate and her Family on the passing of Sam. He will be missed by everyone in the community. He was a good man and was always ready to help out with our mechanical issues. May God, comfort the family and give them strength during this difficult time. We will miss seeing our neighbor across the street. Rest in peace Sam.



Ernestine Valdez and Mondragon Family - June 20, 2024 at 10:45 AM

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“ I am Incredibly saddened to hear the passing of Sam. I had the pleasure of knowing Sam. He was an inspiration to many. I know grief comes in waves, My heart goes out to you. May you look back On the precious memories and find peace in knowing what an amazing husband, father, grandfather he was. Wishing you peace and comfort during this unimaginable time. Rest in peace

Cristie Givens - June 20, 2024 at 03:04 AM

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“ Kate and Family, the Luther Medina Family extend our sincere condolences for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and all your family during this difficult time. Sammy was a friendly and well known to all those that had the privilege of knowing him. No matter where Sammy was at he always asked about his cousin Luther and how he was doing. Sammy wil be greatly missed. Rest in Peace Sumida.

Cheryl Medina-Montoya - June 19, 2024 at 04:15 PM

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Cristie Givens - June 20, 2024 at 03:02 AM