



Max J Rivera

September 26, 1937 - August 27, 2016

Max Jose Rivera, 78, of Kingsford, went to be with the Lord on Saturday, August 27, 2016 at his home surrounded by his family. He was born in Guatemala City, Guatemala on Sept. 26, 1937, the son of the late Jose Robinson Rivera Porres and Fernanda Calderon Maldonado.

Max married Clara Francisca Perez Alvarado on Feb. 14, 1959 in Guatemala City.

In 1972, Max immigrated to Chicago where he worked as an auto mechanic. He then moved to Kingsford, where he worked as an industrial mechanic at Grede Foundry. Max was a hard and efficient worker, very handy and was a genius when it came to fixing things. He was a modern day Renaissance man.

Max was a loving husband, father and grandfather. He was very dedicated to his family and taught by example. He had many passions especially serving the Lord through song. In addition to his faith and love for the Lord, he enjoyed God's creation through gardening and capturing nature through photography.

Max is survived by his beloved wife Clara, six children Elizabeth (Eduardo) Rios of Chicago, Fernanda (Brent) Freeman of Kingsford, Claudia Rivera of Chicago, Max Rivera of Chicago, Jose (April) Rivera of Iron Mountain, and

Karla (Marvin) Niemi of Negaunee, two brothers Juan Rivera of California and David Rivera of Guatemala, two sisters Floridalma Rivera of Chicago and Josefina Rivera of Guatemala, fourteen grandchildren Alexander Rios, Sr., Lizbeth Lopez, Daniel Freeman, Jennifer Freeman, Clarisa Leung, Modesto Echezarreta, Sofia Rivera, Clara Rivera, Max Rivera, Kayla Rivera, Sarah Rivera, Meghan Niemi, Isabelle Niemi, and Marvin Niemi, four great grandchildren Alexander Rios, Jr., Juliza Lopez, Julien Irish, and Mabel Irish, and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by one sister Magdalena Rivera de Conde and one brother Marco Antonio Rivera.

Visitation will be Saturday from 2-4pm at Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral home. Funeral services will follow at 4pm at the funeral home. Pastor Kevin Sullivan and Pastor David Longstaff will officiate. Burial will be in the La Colina Cemetery in Guatemala.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial will be established.

Condolences to the family of Max Rivera can be expressed online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com.

The family has entrusted the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home with the arrangements.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 3. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home
901 Carpenter Ave.
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

Funeral Service

SEP 3. 4:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Max J Rivera.* ”



September 03, 2016 at 09:55 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Max J Rivera.* ”



September 02, 2016 at 09:10 PM



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Brent - September 01, 2016 at 07:33 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Max J Rivera.* ”



August 31, 2016 at 03:46 PM



“ *Finest Farewell Spray was purchased for the family of Max J Rivera.*



August 31, 2016 at 01:15 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Max J Rivera.*



August 30, 2016 at 12:39 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss... Mr.R was a true gem and a mighty man of God...my family met him once where we spent the day with him and Mrs..R. they truly made us feel at home... We enjoyed it very much... Karla we will be holding you and your family up in prayer during this time... I am rejoicing also bc he is in no more pain and with the Lord... Mr.R and my daddy are singing together.. Much love to each of you. Love, Rindels family*

Jamie - August 29, 2016 at 09:30 PM



“ *Dearest One Casket Insert was purchased for the family of Max J Rivera.*



August 29, 2016 at 02:55 PM

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Brent Freeman - August 29, 2016 at 01:02 PM