



Joe Salas Jr.

June 16, 1948 - April 9, 2009

JOE SALAS, JR. passed away unexpectedly on April 9, 2009 in West Linn, Oregon. He was born in Santa Barbara, Calif. on June 16, 1948 to Ane (Rosales Salas) Rodriguez and Joe Salas, Sr. Although his employment took him to various cities, he always considered Santa Barbara as his home. Joe was a fun, loving husband, father, and friend to many. He devoted much of his time to various organizations including the 20/30 Club and the Goleta Lions. He also served as treasurer of Pacoima Chamber of Commerce and as President of MEND (Meeting Every Need with Dignity) in Pacoima, California, receiving recognition awards from both the State Senate and City of Los Angeles. Joe loved all sports, both as a participant and a spectator. He coached local tennis teams, girls' softball teams, and many youth teams. He especially loved coaching his son in all of his activities. Joe is survived by his wife of 43 years, Linda Davidson-Salas, their son and pride-and-joy, Justin, his sisters Viola Robles (Robert) of Puerto Rico, Irene Salas, and Priscilla Nomeland (David) of Santa Barbara, several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his father, Joe, his mother and his stepfather (Ane & Henry Rodriguez), his brothers Hector Rodriguez and Richard (Diana) Salas. Services will be held at the Santa Barbara Cemetery on Friday, April 24, 2009 at 2:00p.m. with a reception following. We can't imagine what life will be like without Joe's wit, talents, and his great smile. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Joe Salas Memorial Fund at any

Washington Mutual/Chase Bank (reference West Linn, OR).

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Tribute Wall



“ *Joe Salas Jr.*

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“ *Joe will be missed. He was a very big part of our life and we will miss hime dearly.*

Michael and Haley Thomas - April 22, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *My heartfelt sympathy to you and your family,Linda. May God comfort all of you and help make you strong with your plans for the future. God bless. Love,*

Elisabeth

Elisabeth Todd/PEO - April 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *I have known Joe for 42 years, starting back in the Rain Softwater/Bob Wray days. Chuck mentioned above how we were blessed to have found Joe and Linda's friendship. Joe had an infectious laugh and smile and was one of those guy's you could love from the get-go. I remember so many great, great times with him. He will be missed by us all. Linda, Justin and family; Nan and I and the boys and Jon and Bud's familys prayers are with you.*

Rick - April 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ Joe you were the first person I met when I moved to Santa Barbra in 1958, I remember that great smile. Frank and I took you on your first vacation to Washington. I will never forget your journal of all the firsts that you saw.

I thought you were to young when you told my you and Linda were getting married, but what did I know, look how wonderful it turned out.

I will never forget how happy you were when you called to tell me that you were adopting Justin. The look of pride you had on your face, the first time I saw you holding this tiny bundle of joy.

It's so hard for me to think that your gone, but you will always live on in my heart. I have so many wonderful memories of the times we had together.

You were a special man and I treasure the fact that you called me MOM.

Joyce Puita - April 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ My buddy Rick Cramer and I landed in SB from Ketchikan Alaska to attend SBCC. Within a month, we meet Joe and Linda when he worked at Rain Softwater Co (Nan Carrow). He also was good friends with Bud and Jon Cramer. We became friends as they took us in a become our family to hang out with. Through the years our kids spent time with their son, Justin...a few SB parades. Joe was always laughing and it always felt good to be around the Salas. Joe and Linda had a special "re-marriage in our home town of Ketchikan Alaska.

We have had many good times together. On behalf of Lois, "Tinker", Brittany and Nickolas we send our love and many many good thoughts of Joe and how he was part of our family.

Chuck - April 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ joe

thanks for all the emails, laughs, and friendship over the years. why, even thanks for that great 19% mortgage you and doug got me in 1981. sorry we never played more golf together...

rif

bob rifkin - April 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ Dear Linda & Justin,

My thoughts and prayers are with both of you as we all mourn the loss of such a great man. Joe will not easily be forgotten as he touched so many lives with such integrity and humor. I love you all very much and am very saddened by our loss.

Love,

Carla

Carla Martinez - April 14, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ *Though we had a rocky start when I married into the family. Joe and I ended on a loving and close note. We emailed one another several times a week with humor, laughter and joy. It was always so nice to open my emails and find something from Joe which made me laugh. I would tell him how wonderful it was to start the day with laughter over something he sent me, thank him for sharing and that I loved him. Those times were every special between us and my heart weeps at his loss more than even he would ever guess.*

Diana Salas - April 14, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“ Dear Linda & Justin;

Please know we offer our prayers and sympathies to you both at your loss. We shall always remember Joe's special smile and humor that infected us all...as 'cruise-buddies', wedding party celebrators, special events, Mexican-dominoes at your Las Vegas home, dinners out, and more. We're sure God will welcome Joe's gift of humor into His eternal kingdom. Linda, may our Good Lord bless and keep both you and Justin, as we shall also keep you in our prayers.

Blessings to you both with love,

Don & Sandi Jepsen

Donaldd Jepsen - April 14, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KA

“ Linda & Justin,

I wish I could be with you right now and give you a big hug. I will see you soon! Get some rest.

I love you Both! Katrina

Katrina - April 14, 2009 at 12:00 AM

IG

“ Linda and Justin - Our thoughts and prayers are with you two during this tough time. Uncle Joe was such a wonderful man and a loving uncle to Issac. Thank you for blessing us with the love and warmth you entire family has given us. Please take care of yourselves. We love you very much.

Issac and Kelly Gomez - April 14, 2009 at 12:00 AM

FS

“ Sorry to hear of your departure, Joe. You will be greatly missed. I really enjoyed our brief time together at Westar Funding Corp. I never saw you angry or upset with anyone and that's how I knew you were a good man!!!!

I am sure you will continue to brighten up the days of others you have touched when they think of those same characteristics you shared with them.

Floyd Scotton - April 14, 2009 at 12:00 AM

PE

“ Linda & Justin,

This is so hard.. You both know how much we loved Joe and his odd humor that always made the kids think he was mad at them~ We will all miss Joe and I hope he remembered to give Henry hell from me! We were both blessed to have had these amazing Husbands & Fathers for our children. I hope you both know that Trish, Adam & I will always be there for you... We love you~~

Pat Enterrios - April 14, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RO

“ Auntie Linda & Justin,

My heart is in agony at the loss of my favorite Uncle. Memories of him are flooding through me. The last time I got to see him, at Justin's graduation party. The song he always used to play to wake us up "All My Exes Live in Texas". His great sense of humor and the way he always made everything better. I thank God for the precious time I had with him and through my memories he'll live forever in my heart. I love you and I'll see you soon.

Ronelle - April 14, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ We love you Joe- You were an awesome guy and your smile and laugh could brighten anyones day.....

Love your friend,

Jamie Skelton, Las Vegas

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