



Joe Ray Anaya

March 19, 1953 - June 14, 2026

Joe Ray Anaya, 73, born March 19, 1953 in Roswell, NM passed away comfortably with his family by his side on June 14, 2026. Please take a moment to share a kind thought or memory with Joe's family at www.andersonbethany.com.

A Viewing will be held at Anderson Bethany Funeral Home & Crematory on Friday, June 26, 2026. from 10:00 am. to 12:00 pm. and the funeral service at 12:00 pm with Interment to follow at South Park Cemetery. Followed by a gathering of food and friends at American Legion Post 28 located at 1620 N. Montana.

On March 19, 1953, Joe was born to Lauterio Anaya and Marie Rodriguez in Roswell, NM. He left behind a legacy of craftsmanship and joy. As a skilled builder, welder, and roofer, Joe made his mark on the community with his hands, but it was his heart that touched the most lives. He also worked with Nova Bus, and his final job before retiring was roofing with 5-C Construction. After retiring, Joe found joy in volunteering his time at St. Peter's Church, giving back to the community he loved. He proudly served in the U.S. Army, and his devotion to his country was reflected in the importance he placed on exercising his right to vote. He possessed a rare gift for bringing laughter to any situation, especially when others needed it most. His humor was a light in the dark. He always wanted to take care of everyone—making sure you ate, or simply being there when you needed him. "Just a phone call away," he'd say. Joe had many friends and was very sociable, making his rounds every

day to visit. He loved watching his favorite TV shows like Bonanza and Little House on the Prairie, making his daily trips to Albertson's, and going to the junkyard with Robert O. He really enjoyed being around his grandchildren when they'd come to visit, going to their sports games, and being involved in their lives. He was proud of his family and made sure we all knew he loved us. He enjoyed discussing politics, taking his friend Ernestine lunch every day—often the highlight of her day—and watching football games with friends while betting on squares. He loved riding around town on any wheels he could get his hands on, zooming around on his scooter, and enjoying life with a smile on his handsome face.

Those left to eternally treasure and cherish memories of Joe are his daughters: Amanda Cleverly (Josh Cleverly) and Alexandria Anaya; grandchildren: Nevaeh Nevarez, Emmanuel Anaya, Shyenne Melendez, Jasmine Primera, Nicholas Primera; step-daughter, Donna Gutierrez and family; siblings: Helen Gallegos, Rudy Anaya, Judy Rodriguez; nieces and nephews: Connie Empie of Arizona, Robert Valadez of California, Richard Valadez of New Mexico, Steve Valadez of Nevada, Michael Romo of New Mexico, Monica Dominguez of New Mexico, Ronnie Castillo of New Mexico, Gabriel Anaya of New Mexico, Larry Anaya of New Mexico, Yolanda Oliver of Florida, Maziah Price of New Mexico, Christopher Chavez of New Mexico, Emanuel Rodriguez-Garcia of California, Melanie Garcia of New Mexico, Javier Garcia of Tennessee; best friends: Frank, Robert, Mike, MaryLou and many many more; and beloved Chihuahua, Camila.

Joe is preceded in death by his parents: Lauterio and Marie; grandparents: Ignacio and Lola Rodriguez; siblings: Nora Stiggans, Clifford Anaya, Jr. Dominguez, Francisco and Gabriel Anaya; beloved Labrador, Colby. Honorary pallbearers are Larry Anaya, Logan Price, and Mike Sandoval. Honored to serve as pallbearers are Emmanuel Anaya, Frank Gabaldon, Robert Ortiz, Chris Chavez, Mike Villa and Dacien Villa.

The family of Joe wishes to make a sincere thanks to my Aunt Judy, cousins Melanie, Mariah, Serena, Rhonda, Frank M, Mary Ann from Hospice, Nadia

from Anderson Bethany, Neveah, Raymond, Manny, Elsa, Bre Cobos, and Amanda's Albertsons coworkers.

Joe's family Suggests Donations in lieu of flowers be donated to Anderson Bethany funeral Home or food at the gathering.

Joe's Tribute was written in honor by his family who will truly miss him.

Previous Events

Viewing

JUN **26**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (MT)

Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home and Crematory
2609 South Main
Roswell, NM 88203
(575) 622-5888
abfh@andersonbethany.com

Service

JUN **26**. 12:00 PM (MT)

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Interment to follow: South Park Cemetery, 3101 South Main Street, Roswell, NM 88203

Tribute Wall

EM

“Cousin Ray, I still picture you riding your bike all over town with the girls in tow in the back little cart! You were such an incredible dad & grandpa! It was so nice to see you at graduation last month! Of course you weren't gonna miss a chance to support your babies! May God be with your precious family! Give my daddy a hug for me! Rest in love cousin!

Elisianna Madrid - July 14 at 04:38 PM

GR

“Rest In Peace cuz. Will miss seeing you around town. Condolences to your family. 🙏🙏

Gloria Ann Rodriquez - July 02 at 08:32 PM



“My condolences to rays family I'm really sorry for y'all loss, your dad was our neighbor he was a good neighbor good friend and will be missed by all of us specially the kids.



Amanda Garcia - June 26 at 11:03 PM

AM

Thank you so much 💕

Amanda - June 29 at 08:09 AM

MG

“ I will miss you deeply Uncle Ray. I know your love and light will live on always with the girls, your grandkids, and all those you loved and loved you in return. ✨



Melanie Garcia - June 26 at 09:22 AM

MD

“ Your niece Monica Dominguez- Dear uncle we hold you in our heart and memories. You're laughter, sense of humor, your joy and kindness and care that touched so many will remain a light to us all. I send you light and love on your journey and into your next life. We dedicate a prayer to you in our Buddhist temple. We send your girls and their families healing energy.



Monica Dominguez - June 26 at 09:03 AM

MD

“ From me and my family we send our sincere condolences and love. We send you all healing energy. I will miss uncle Ray's smile and laughter. His easy going nature and care of others. His positive energy and his sense of humor. We will dedicate a prayer for you uncle Ray and your beautiful family at our Buddhist temple. I wish you light and love and joy on your new journey dear uncle. You will be missed but remembered with smiles and love and stories of you and your kind nature that touched so many -Monica Dominguez and family



Monica Dominguez - June 26 at 08:01 AM

YR

“ Your Nephew - Emanuel Rodriguez-Garcia planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joe Ray Anaya.

Your Nephew - Emanuel Rodriguez-Garcia - June 26 at 12:32 AM

YR

“ Your Nephew - Emanuel Rodriguez-Garcia purchased the Heavenly Light for the family of Joe Ray Anaya.



Your Nephew - Emanuel Rodriguez-Garcia - June 26 at 12:32 AM

MR

“ Monica R. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joe Ray Anaya.

Monica R. - June 25 at 07:51 PM

AA

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Alexandria Anaya - June 24 at 06:36 PM

TE

Rest in Peace Ray , El Kinikas , 🌹🙏🙏🙏

Tere - July 26 at 09:32 PM

BF

“ *Bottle Rocket /Alien Escape Family purchased the Forever At Peace Spray for the family of Joe Ray Anaya.*



Bottle Rocket /Alien Escape Family - June 24 at 05:10 PM

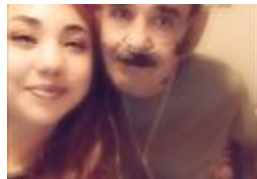
BF

“ *Bottle Rocket /Alien Escape Family planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Joe Ray Anaya.*

Bottle Rocket /Alien Escape Family - June 24 at 05:10 PM

BR

“ *I'm Going To Miss You Pops!! You Left Us With Some Many Wonderful Memories That I Will Cherish For The Rest Of My Life.*



BreCobos - June 24 at 02:07 PM

HE

“ *Helen planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Joe Ray Anaya.*

Helen - June 23 at 08:41 PM

HE

“Helen purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Joe Ray Anaya.



Helen - June 23 at 08:41 PM

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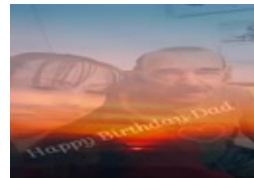
“Amanda lit a candle in memory of Joe Anaya



Amanda - June 23 at 04:58 PM

AA

“3 files added to the tribute wall

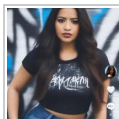


Alexandria Anaya - June 22 at 12:42 PM

AA

“My dad has so much love for me and his grandchildren. I miss u so much dad

Alexandria Anaya - June 22 at 12:40 PM



Hey girl sorry for your loss you dad was a good man and a good neighbor

Amanda Garcia - June 26 at 11:11 PM

RM

“ *Manny, Alex, and Amanda*
It saddens me to hear about your grandpa/dad's passing. He loved ya'll so much. Praying for you during this difficult time.

Rose M. - June 20 at 04:57 PM

AM

Thank you

Amanda - June 22 at 02:16 PM

SR

“ *Stella Rivera lit a candle in memory of Joe Anaya*



Stella Rivera - June 20 at 03:50 AM

RG

“ *Roy. and. Sylvia Gonzales lit a candle in memory of Joe Anaya*



Roy. and. Sylvia Gonzales - June 18 at 08:55 PM

YO

“ Yolanda lit a candle in memory of Joe Anaya



Yolanda - June 18 at 05:54 PM

CC

“ Remember all the good times we had working together tio! Everytime you needed a ride I got you. All the knuckle sandwiches you would give me everytime I went over to visit. Roofin jobs we did together! I miss you tio! I love you Ray RIP



Chris Chavez - June 18 at 05:16 PM

AM

“ The Best Dad!!! Really gunna miss the heck outta you love you forever and Rest In Peace k.

Amanda - June 18 at 12:22 PM

AS

“ Andy Sedillo lit a candle in memory of Joe Anaya



Andy Sedillo - June 18 at 10:33 AM

AM

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Amanda - June 17 at 08:39 PM

LM

“ So sad to hear of Ray s passing, one of the memories I gave of Ray is that he had many girls that liked him.he had a stroll walk and very handsome. .his mama was such a nice lady, back in the dinosaur days id combed her hair and she was not difficult and always tipped me. She knew Ray was my friend from school. I hope he has been reunited with his mama. God bless your soul Ray,

Lupe Morales - June 17 at 05:01 PM

AM

Everyday he came to visit me at work making sure he told all the ladies Hi!!!

Amanda - June 19 at 08:11 AM

DC

“ May You Rest In Peace Peace 🕊



Delia Casillas - June 17 at 01:55 PM