



Philemon "Phil" R. Mejia

November 22, 1925 - June 30, 2022

Philemon "Phil" R. Mejia, 96, of Mason City, IA passed away peacefully on Thursday, June 30, 2022 at MercyOne North Iowa.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, July 7, 2022 from 5-7 p.m. with a 7:00 p.m. Rosary Service and Vigil Service to follow at Fullerton Funeral Home, 123 2nd St SE, Mason City. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, July 8, 2022 at Holy Family Catholic Church of Epiphany Parish, 722 N Adams Ave, Mason City. Father Jacob Dunne will be officiating with interment to follow at Elmwood-St Joseph Cemetery in Mason City. A livestream of the service will be available at <http://epiphanyparish.org/>

Phil was born on November 22, 1925 in Granger, TX to Anastacio and Franscica (Ruiz) Mejia. He was the second youngest of a large family. During his childhood his family moved to Iowa and resided in Manly, IA and Albert Lea, MN area. On November 17, 1956 he was united in marriage to the love of his life, Rita and to their union three children were born.

Phil worked for Decker's Meat Packing Plant and at the Brick and Tile Yard in his younger years. He then began working for the Chicago Northwestern Railroad for 35 years, up until his retirement in 1987.

Phil's hobbies included vegetable gardening, canning, and making the

greatest hot sauce. He enjoyed going on road trips and made sure there was a family vacation every year. Phil was very family oriented and took it upon himself to look after his siblings, parents and his wife Rita. He liked playing pool, playing card games, word searches and fishing. Every morning he could be found watching, The Price is Right, and Let's Make A Deal with his cup of coffee. Phil was known for his love of sweets including cake, candy, doughnuts and cookies. He was a self-taught mechanic and worked on cars or anything that needed fixing for that matter. Above all else, his family was most important to him and he loved spending time with them.

Those left to cherish his memory include his children, Frank Mejia of Mason City, Charles (Debbie) Mejia of Mason City and Josie (Andy) De La Cruz Jr. of Colorado Springs, CO; grandchildren, Jason Mejia, Samantha Mejia, Adriana Perez, Anthony Perez, Matthew Mejia, Andy De La Cruz III and Gabrielle De La Cruz; and many special nieces and nephews.

He was preceded into death by his wife, Rita Mejia in 2009; parents and 10 siblings.

In expression of sympathy, memorials may be directed to the Phil Mejia Funeral on Go Fund Me website, in care of Phil's family.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 7. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Fullerton Funeral Home in Mason City
123 2nd St. SE
Mason City, IA 50401
(641) 423-8676
mail@fullertonfh.com
<https://www.fullertonfh.com>

Rosary Service

JUL 7. 7:00 PM (CT)

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123 2nd St. SE
Mason City, IA 50401
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Mass of Christian Burial

JUL 8. 10:30 AM (CT)

Holy Family Catholic Church
714 N Adams Ave.
Mason City, IA 50401

Tribute Wall



“ *Philemon "Phil" R. Mejia*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *Charlie, Deb and Matt, sorry to hear of your loss of Phil, you were such good care givers. Thinking of you! Audrey Huff*

audrey huff - July 07, 2022 at 10:03 PM



“ *Deb, Charles, and Matthew, please keep all the memories alive. They will get you through the difficult times that you will have in the years to come. You guys were amazing with all you did to keep that beautiful smile on Phil's face. Just keep remembering! Susan, Steve, and Hannah O'Neil*

Susan - July 07, 2022 at 02:09 PM



“ *To all of the Mejia family. We are very sorry to hear about Uncle Phil's passing. Our sympathy to everyone. We were going to try to come Friday but unfortunately, we cannot be there after all. Thinking of you all in this difficult time. ❤️ - Verna, Randy & Kay Escobedo*



Randy Escobedo - July 07, 2022 at 12:58 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Philemon "Phil" R. Mejia.



July 07, 2022 at 11:03 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Philemon "Phil" R. Mejia.



July 07, 2022 at 10:08 AM



“ Thinking of the Mejia family loved taking care of Phil when he was at the Manly care center and at Good Shepherd.

Monica Meyer - July 06, 2022 at 09:35 PM



“ Mejia cousins & family's we are thinking about you all at this sad time. Sending ❤️ & hugs. 🙏 Rita Weldon & family. Thanks for always sharing trips & adventures you all took him on. This brought him such joy!

Rita Weldon - July 06, 2022 at 01:31 PM

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“ I will always remember Uncle Phil & Aunt Rita's annual visits as they also attended the Mn State Fair. You both always hold a special place in my heart. Rest well Uncle Phil ❤️ Bill & Rita Weldon & family

Rita Weldon - July 06, 2022 at 01:22 PM



“ Deb, Charlie and Matthew you are in my thoughts and prayers. He spent many good years with you, and you took great care of him.

Teri Eckhoff - July 05, 2022 at 06:26 PM

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“ We send our deepest sympathy to the Mejia family. May all of our dearly departed loved ones rest peacefully in the loving arms of God.

Ray and Deb Escobedo - July 05, 2022 at 02:18 PM

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“ Ray & Deb Escobedo sent a virtual gift in memory of Philemon "Phil" R. Mejia



Ray & Deb Escobedo - July 05, 2022 at 02:15 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Philemon "Phil" R. Mejia.*



July 05, 2022 at 12:48 PM



“ *Gloria Holtz lit a candle in memory of Philemon "Phil" R. Mejia*



Gloria Holtz - July 03, 2022 at 02:13 PM



“ *I remember visiting with Uncle Phil and Rita he always had such interesting stories of life. RIP I know he is with my Aunt Rita safe in God's arms.*

Jane Fults - July 03, 2022 at 11:46 AM



“ *Josie, sad to hear about your Dad. I'm praying for you and your family.*

Tim Merrill

Tim Merrill - July 02, 2022 at 10:43 PM