



Lester Vasquez

October 7, 1961 - September 1, 2025

In Loving Memory of Lester E. Vasquez

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It is with heavy hearts and deep sadness that we share the unexpected but peaceful passing of Lester E. Vasquez on September 1, 2025, at the age of 63. His sudden departure has left his family, friends, and coworkers in shock, grieving the loss of a man who brought so much laughter, warmth, and heart into the world.

Born on October 7, 1961, in San Diego, California, Les — as he was affectionately known — was the third of four children born to Lester Sr. and Maria. He was preceded in death by his brother Bob (1986), his beloved parents Maria (2013) and Lester Sr. (2017).

Les is survived by his sisters, Susana and Rebecca, and his brother-in-law Jesse. He was a proud and loving uncle to his nieces, Mercedes and Savannah - earning him the distinguished title of “Tio”. He also leaves behind 38 first cousins (yes, really — 38!), too many second and third cousins to count, and a large extended family of friends and coworkers.

After high school, Les began working as a mechanic with the Suzuki School of

Motocross, where he developed a deep love for speed — Motocross, NASCAR, IndyCar, you name it. He even raced Motocross competitively for a time, collecting a few trophies and a lot of stories along the way.

Following a back injury that sidelined his motocross days, Les shifted gears and found his second calling as a slot machine technician. He spent over 20 years working at Harrah's Resort Southern California, where he was known not only for his technical skill but for his contagious laugh, big heart, and the camaraderie he brought to the workplace. Les was one of those rare people who genuinely loved what he did.

Outside of work, Les spent a lot of time in the garden with his Dad and in the kitchen with his Mom — where his love for gardening and cooking were born. He became a fantastic cook, often turning the fruits of the garden into incredible meals. He didn't just enjoy cooking; he loved sharing it — proudly bringing his creations to friends, family, and coworkers alike.

Les will be remembered for so many things — his big laugh, his quick wit, his generous spirit, his love of gardening, his bold cooking, and of course, his often outrageous, sometimes questionable, but always heartfelt advice.

Though he left us far too soon, he leaves behind a legacy of joy, kindness and unforgettable memories. He made people laugh, made them feel cared for, and made the world around him a little more fun.

We will miss you Tio!

There will be a viewing and rosary held on Thursday, October 9, 2025 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm at Magallon Funeral Home, 1421 N. Santa Fe Ave., Vista, CA 92084; followed by a funeral Mass on Friday, October 10, 2025 at 12:30 pm at St. Mark's Catholic Church, 1147 Discovery Street, San Marcos, CA 92069

Cemetery Details

San Marcos Cemetery

1021 Mulberry Drive
San Marcos, CA 92069

Previous Events

Visitation / Celebration of Life

OCT **9**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (PT)

Magallón Funeral Home
1421 North Santa Fe Avenue
Vista, CA 92084
(760) 522-3356
magallonfuneraldirectors@gmail.com
<http://www.magallonfuneralhome.com>

Funeral Mass

OCT **10**. 12:30 PM (PT)

Saint Mark's Catholic Church
1147 Discovery Street
San Marcos, CA 92078

Tribute Wall

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“ *Chelsea, Andrea, Jared & Jacob purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Lester Vasquez.*



Chelsea, Andrea, Jared & Jacob - October 06, 2025 at 10:57 AM

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“ *Albert, Willy, Cha-Cha & Audrey purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Lester Vasquez.*



Albert, Willy, Cha-Cha & Audrey - October 06, 2025 at 10:57 AM