



## Richard R. Marquez

July 14, 1939 - August 9, 2024

Richard Ramon Marquez Jr., age 85, of San Simon & Willcox, passed away peacefully on August 9, 2024, surrounded by his loving family. A dedicated family man, Richard was known for his unwavering commitment to his family, farm and his community.

Born on July 14, 1939, Richard lived a life defined by hard work, integrity, and kindness. For over six decades, he tended to his farm with the same passion and diligence he brought to every aspect of his life. His love for the land was matched only by his love for his family, who were the center of his world.

Richard was not only a respected farmer but also a pillar of the San Simon and the Willcox community. His generosity and wisdom earned him the admiration and affection of many, and he was always willing to lend a helping hand to those in need. He was known for his warm smile, hearty laugh, and the stories he shared about the life he built.

As a grandfather, Richard was unparalleled. His grandchildren cherished the time spent with him, whether working on the farm, listening to his stories, or simply enjoying his company. He leaves behind a legacy of love, strength, and dedication that will continue to inspire his family for generations to come.

Richard is survived by his beloved wife, Jessie Marquez; three children, Lola, Richard III (Cheryl), and Rosalie; and his cherished grandchildren, Geoffrey, Nicole, Richard IV (Alma), Tammy (Luis), Breanna (Anthony), Franchesca (Francisco), Joseph, Felicia (Chris), Vincent; and loving great-grandchildren Ayden, Dominick, Elijah, Alex, Julian, Aniyah, Richard V, Jordyn, Ely, Matthew

, Riley, Noah and Khalessi. Also survived by his 11 siblings, cousins, and mourned by a wide circle of friends and neighbors who were touched by his kindness. He will be reunited with his beloved son (Stephan), Mother (Eulogia), Father (Ricardo), brother (Seferino).

Richard will be deeply missed but lovingly remembered by all who knew him as the "Chili Man". His love and devotion will continue to shine brightly in the hearts of his family and community.

A Rosary will be offered at 6:00 pm on Thursday, August 15, 2024, at Westlawn Chapel. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated 10:00 am on Friday, August 16, 2024, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with burial to follow in Sunset Cemetery,

# Cemetery Details

## Sunset Cemetery

N. Sunset Strip Road  
Willcox, AZ 85643

# Previous Events

## Rosary

AUG 15. 6:00 PM (MT)

Westlawn Chapel & Mortuary Inc.  
105 S Arizona Avenue  
Willcox, AZ 85643  
(520) 384-2413  
westwx@vtc.net  
<https://www.westlawnchapelmortuary.com>

## Mass of Christian Burial

AUG 16. 10:00 AM (MT)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church  
215 W. Maley  
Willcox, AZ 85643

# Tribute Wall

MF

“ Dear Jessie, Rick and family,  
So sorry to hear about Richard. I just seen he passed in August. He  
is with our Jesus now. ❤️ Mody

Modestina Frascella - October 09, 2024 at 09:53 PM

GO

“ Fly high "Chileman", you will be dearly  
missed. Rest in Peace my friend.



Gladys Olsen - August 20, 2024 at 08:51 PM

BP

“ Dear Jessie and family  
Our deepest condolences to all of you. Richard was very important  
to us while we worked in San Simon. His energy and knowledge  
were always acknowledged. We would like to convey our  
appreciation of friendship shown to our family. He will certainly be  
missed by all who knew him.  
Olga and Bill Pride

Bill and Olga Pride - August 19, 2024 at 03:07 PM

VM

“ Vera Fernandez Masteller lit a candle in  
memory of Richard Marquez



Vera Fernandez Masteller - August 17, 2024 at 11:34 PM

DO

“ Dorothy O. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard R. Marquez.

Dorothy O. - August 15, 2024 at 10:13 PM

SM

“ Stephanie McGuran purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Richard R. Marquez.



Stephanie McGuran - August 15, 2024 at 04:25 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard R. Marquez.



August 15, 2024 at 11:49 AM

TE

“ Brianna I'm sorry to hear about your grandpa, I know he meant a lot to you, and you loved him very much.

Thomas Marvin Early - August 14, 2024 at 10:10 PM

BR

Thank you Tom ❤️

Breanna - September 04, 2024 at 12:12 PM

VV

“ Tío Sonny you will be missed by many . I remember you coming to Avondale and visiting my parents. I loved to hear you tell us your life story about when you and Daddy were young. How I miss those days. Rest in paradise tío Sonny Marquez.

Vangie Vasquez - August 14, 2024 at 07:36 PM

CD

“ Carol Dickson lit a candle in memory of Richard Marquez



Carol Dickson - August 14, 2024 at 01:00 AM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Richard R. Marquez.



August 13, 2024 at 05:17 PM

JA

“ Jerry & Peggy Arvizu planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard R. Marquez.

Jerry & Peggy Arvizu - August 13, 2024 at 05:17 PM

TB

“ Tommy ' & Rita Bedolla lit a candle in memory of Richard Marquez



Tommy ' & Rita Bedolla - August 13, 2024 at 01:36 PM

AM

“ Alma & Felipe Mendoza lit a candle in memory of Richard Marquez



Alma & Felipe Mendoza - August 13, 2024 at 11:00 AM

ER

“ Rest in Peace! I have fond memories of Richi and his family . His family welcomed us to the San Simon community when we arrived from New Mexico. I remember the pool parties at our house. Every time I saw him and Jessie they were very friendly and yes we remembered the old days. My condolences to Jessie, Lola, Rick.

elda rios - August 13, 2024 at 10:54 AM

RM

♥ Thank you Elda for your kind words, thoughts & prayers

Rick Marquez - August 14, 2024 at 12:25 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Richard R. Marquez.*



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August 13, 2024 at 04:15 AM



“ *Mr Marquez was an amazing person! It was such a a privilege to have met him! My family all thought the world of both him and Mrs Jessie. We all send our prayers and condolences! May Mr Marquez Rest In Peace* ❤️

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**Faith Wells (Glover)** - August 13, 2024 at 01:36 AM



“ *My deepest condolences to the family. May you rest in peace Richard.* 🙏



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**Gloria (Adame) Valles** - August 13, 2024 at 12:56 AM



“ *Pete &Kiki purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Richard R. Marquez.*



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**Pete &Kiki** - August 12, 2024 at 11:53 PM

CC

“ I always loved when Richard came into the FSA Office. Such a smile, always telling stories, jokes and making us all laugh. He was a very special friend, one of the kindest genuine man I've ever known. He will be missed by many. Condolences to the family, may God comfort you all.  
Chad, Carol & Dylan Case

Carol Case - August 12, 2024 at 11:47 PM

MM

“ Mary Stephens ( Marquez) purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of Richard R. Marquez.



Mary Stephens ( Marquez) - August 12, 2024 at 11:44 PM

MM

“ Mary Stephens ( Marquez) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard R. Marquez.

Mary Stephens ( Marquez) - August 12, 2024 at 11:44 PM

BR

“ My condolences to the family. R.I.P Richard  
🙏🙏



Bertha Lerma Ramos - August 12, 2024 at 11:23 PM

TG

“ Richard was my father in law back in the days, but still remained in our lives. He cherished both his granddaughters Breanna and Felicia, Steve and I had together. His cheple Breanna was always there to help him and her grandma Jessie. He’s going to definitely be missed 😞  
Rip Richard 🙏



Tina guevara - August 12, 2024 at 11:19 PM

MA

“ Love you Brother, I will always remember your laugh and your scratchy beard.



Maggie - August 12, 2024 at 10:26 PM

JR

Wish you're going to miss you brother

Javier ramirez - August 12, 2024 at 11:07 PM

JR

From. Crowley Yx

Javier ramirez - August 12, 2024 at 11:08 PM

FG

“ Frank and Susie Gonzales lit a candle in memory of Richard Marquez



Frank and Susie Gonzales - August 12, 2024 at 10:11 PM

TF

“ *The Sipes Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Richard R. Marquez.*



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**The Sipes Family** - August 12, 2024 at 09:32 PM

TF

“ *The Sipes Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard R. Marquez.*

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**The Sipes Family** - August 12, 2024 at 09:32 PM

AL

“ *Our condolences to Richard Marquez family. Alberto & Elvira Levario and family 🙏❤️*

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**Anita (Alberto & Elvira) Levario** - August 12, 2024 at 09:10 PM

MB

“ *Monica Beck planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard R. Marquez.*

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**Monica Beck** - August 12, 2024 at 09:06 PM

MB

“ *Monica Beck purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Richard R. Marquez.*



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**Monica Beck** - August 12, 2024 at 09:06 PM

JR

“ Juan & Shirley Rubio lit a candle in memory of Richard Marquez



Juan & Shirley Rubio - August 12, 2024 at 09:02 PM

BA

“ My heart goes out to Mrs Marquez, Lola and Ricky for the loss of your dear Husband, Father. I hope your happy memories will help you through this difficult time. Keeping you all close to my heart during this difficult time. My sincere condolences.



Blanca Aguirre - August 12, 2024 at 08:44 PM

BM

“ I love you grandpa!! Rest easy! 🥹❤️



Breanna Marquez - August 12, 2024 at 08:05 PM

BM

“ I love you grandpa!! 🥹❤️



Breanna Marquez - August 12, 2024 at 07:26 PM

LY

“ So sorry to hear this. Condolences to the family. Atlee and Linda Yoder

Linda Adkins Yoder - August 12, 2024 at 07:18 PM

SS

So many memories of Richard and the entire Marquez family. The world has lost a truly great man. My thoughts and prayers are with you in this difficult time. Love and Prayers from the Sipes family.

Steven Sipes - August 12, 2024 at 09:06 PM

LT

“ A man with a heart of gold, and a smile that lit up a room. He will be greatly missed by so many. My condolences to the families.



Linda Torres - August 12, 2024 at 07:00 PM

DF

“ We are sorry for your loss, sending our condolences 🙏 Domingo and Judy Figueroa



Domingi & Judy Figueroa - August 12, 2024 at 04:59 PM

JM

“ Our sincere condolences to all the family. Rest in peace Richard. Rey & Jonnie Martinez

Jonnie B Martinez - August 11, 2024 at 02:53 PM

VR

“ Vickie Reza Romero lit a candle in memory of Richard Marquez



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**Vickie Reza Romero** - August 11, 2024 at 02:13 PM

LB

“ My thoughts and prayers to Dolores and all the family! May his memories bring you much comfort!



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**LaDonna Burgess** - August 11, 2024 at 02:06 PM

MV

“ Michael Valenzuela lit a candle in memory of Richard Marquez



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**Michael Valenzuela** - August 11, 2024 at 10:52 AM

EV

“ Erlinda Valenzuela lit a candle in memory of Richard Marquez



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**Erlinda Valenzuela** - August 11, 2024 at 10:52 AM

LM

“ Sorry to hear this news 😞😞  
Was hoping to pay a visit next time I was in area. Jesse may the  
Lord be with 🙏🙏🙏  
Richard and I have some fond memories of our life 🙏  
A lot of hard work and dreams  
Licurgus SMahan & Family

L S Mahan - August 11, 2024 at 10:50 AM



“ Betsy Ajeman lit a candle in memory of  
Richard Marquez



Betsy Ajeman - August 11, 2024 at 06:37 AM

CF

“ Chuck and Pati Fickett lit a candle in memory  
of Richard Marquez



Chuck and Pati Fickett - August 11, 2024 at 02:14 AM

TL

“ Tracy and Lee sent a virtual gift in memory of  
Richard Marquez



Tracy and Lee - August 10, 2024 at 10:59 PM

JR

“ Rest well fine Sir. Memories will last ages.



Jennifer Regensberg - August 10, 2024 at 09:49 PM

RR

“ Our condolences to the Marquez Family in this difficult time.



Rodolfo amd Eileen Rivera - August 10, 2024 at 08:04 PM

GM

“ Gus & Rita Morales sent a virtual gift in memory of Richard Marquez



Gus & Rita Morales - August 10, 2024 at 07:25 PM

AF

“ Annie Torres & Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Richard Marquez



Annie Torres & Family - August 10, 2024 at 04:06 PM

AT

“ *Our condolences to the family of Richard Marquez!! Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.* ❤️🙏

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**Anselmo & Bertha Torres** - August 10, 2024 at 02:32 PM

AT

“ *Anselmo & Bertha Torres lit a candle in memory of Richard Marquez*



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**Anselmo & Bertha Torres** - August 10, 2024 at 02:30 PM