



Areli Muñoz

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Areli Muñoz, age 79, of Olmsted Township, Ohio, passed away peacefully on July 16, 2025, surrounded by the love of his family. He was born on October 12, 1945, in Chiquimula, Guatemala. A devoted husband, father, grandfather, and brother, Areli lived his life with quiet strength, deep faith, and unwavering dedication to those he cherished most.

He was known for always being well put together—whether attending family gatherings or simply enjoying the day, his thoughtful presentation reflected the pride he took in himself and the life he built. A lover of classical music, Areli often found comfort and joy in its timeless melodies, which spoke to his contemplative and refined spirit.

His greatest pride came from his family and his career, both of which he approached with diligence and heart. He was a man of commitment and integrity, whose efforts left a lasting imprint on the lives of those around him.

Areli is survived by his beloved wife of 58 years, Gloria Esperanza Orellana de Muñoz, with whom he shared a lifetime of partnership and love. Together, they raised a beautiful family, and his legacy lives on through his children: Nancy (Rob) Prante, Eduardo Muñoz, and Luis (Kelly) Muñoz. He was a proud grandfather to Caleb Prante, Hannah Prante, John Muñoz, Sam Muñoz, Isabella Muñoz, Aliyah Muñoz, and Mac Muñoz, who each carry forward his values and warmth.

He is also survived by his dear brothers, Heri Isaias Muñoz Vargas and Luis Arodi Muñoz Vargas, whose bond with him was lifelong and unbreakable.

His family remembers him as a man of quiet wisdom, gentle humor, and enduring grace—someone who always put others before himself and found joy in the simplest moments.

A graveside service will be held to honor his life on Friday, July 18, 2025, at 2:45 PM at Sunset Memorial Park 6245 Columbia Rd, North Olmsted, Ohio 44070. Please arrive at Sunset Chapel no



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later than 2:30pm to proceed to graveside.




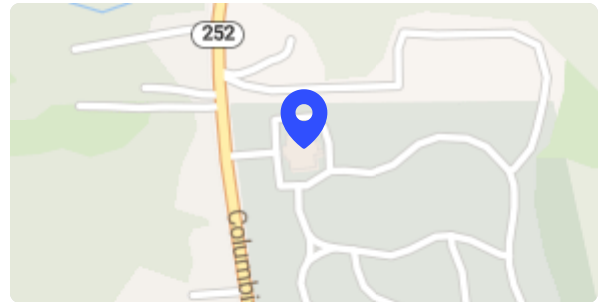
Graveside Service

 **Friday**, July 18, 2025

 2:45 PM ET


 **Sunset Cemetery**
6265 Columbia Road, North Olmsted OH 44070

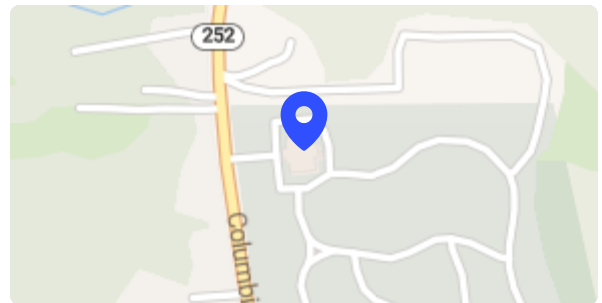
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Cemetery Details

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 **(440) 249-6256**





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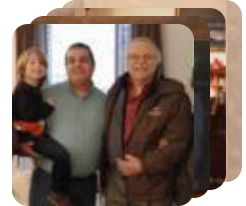
The Atkinson Family sent an Arrive in Style to the Muñoz family.



July 19 at 7:02 AM



Nancy Prante shared 11 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.



July 18 at 12:18 AM



Anabella De Rodas posted:

Arely was always a kind man, respectful of all the people around him and inspired us to be better persons. Thank you, God, for giving us the opportunity to have him in our family and to be a part of our life. Rodas Vega Family

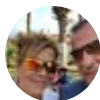
July 18 at 11:33 AM



Anonymous planted a grove of 3 Memorial Trees in honor of Areli.



July 18 at 11:27 AM



Mayra Vega De Luna posted:

We love Arely, he was always a respectful and kind man, intelligent, responsible and hardworking. Luna Vega family

July 18 at 9:08 AM



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John Munoz posted:

When I was a kid, I went to my grandparents for a sleepover with my brother, Sam, and my cousin, Hannah. We were upstairs giggling and cracking jokes until way past our bedtime, until I had to use the bathroom. While in there I heard Sam and Hannah get way too loud laughing about something. I wrapped up and went out of the bathroom to tell them to be quiet. I turned to the left and opened my mouth when WHAM! A hand came from behind me to smack my behind with the speed and shock of lightning hitting a tree in a thunderstorm! I was speechless. Not a word left my mouth as I turned around to see my Pito (Areli) straight faced. It was dead silent. The first words to break the silence were two from Pito's thick Hispanic accent: "Shut up". Then he turned and left. I walked over to my sleeping bag, the silence hanging heavy as I crawled in my sleeping bag, mouth still agape, and fell asleep. The next morning was pretty normal, we woke up and got ready to head out when my Mita (Gloria) met me at the top of the stairs and said "John, your Pito couldn't sleep last night after what happened and wanted to say something to you." I watched as my Pito slid out shyly from behind a door and shimmied past my Mita, eyes on his feet. The silence came back as he lifted his head up and broke it with two more words in that thick Hispanic accent: "I'm sorry". I looked at him and gave him a hug, and then we headed downstairs to leave until the next time we would come over to their place. I look back at this memory with fondness and laughter. I have never seen my silent and stoic Pito look like that before but seeing him be a strong enough man to admit his mistakes was inspiring to me. I'm going to strive to be like that. I loved my Pito and will miss him, but I am happy that he is in a better place right now of peace. I'm looking forward to seeing how he prepares our spot in the stars and heaven for us. I love you Pito, John Eduardo Munoz

July 18 at 12:18 AM



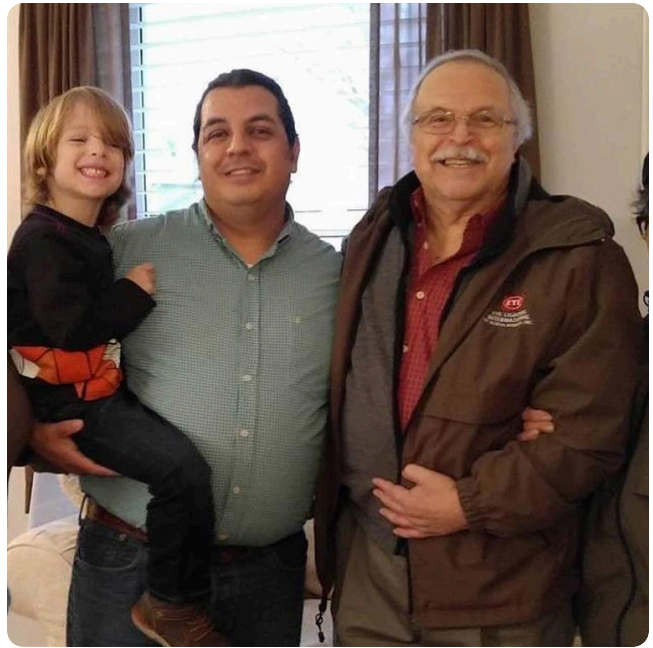
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July 18 at 12:12 PM











Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Areli by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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