



David S. DeLaCruz Sr.

September 8, 1974 - September 3, 2023

MADISON – Visitation for David S. DeLaCruz Sr., 48, of Madison will be held from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m., Thursday, September 7, 2023 at Stonacek Funeral Chapel, Norfolk. Private burial will take place at the Crown Hill Cemetery, Madison. David died on Sunday, September 3, 2023 at Faith Regional Health Services in Norfolk. Stonacek Funeral Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.

David was born in Springfield, IL, on September 8, 1974. David and his family of five brothers were the sons of migrant workers who travelled the entire United States picking produce (cherries, potatoes, apples, and peaches). His not so favorite fruit was cherries and he would not eat anything that had cherries in it. When the family arrived in Madison, he decided that he was done with the road and came to live with Clarice Dittberner who was known as “NaNa” to lots of children. David loved music, cool cars and trucks, animals, livestock, and was a jack of all trades remodeling houses and taking care of his gigantic yard. When he was younger, he was always seen with his favorite Rottweiler, Lulu.

David had a gruff exterior but a heart of gold. He was always ready to help strangers who needed food, a place to stay, and a shoulder to lean on. Numerous young people called him Dad and our home became a haven for them until they returned home.

David adored younger children and met many through Clarice's work at school and her daycare. Kids were always excited when "Big D" was coming to play with them. David is survived by four children, whom he loved beyond measure, Veronica DeLaCruz, David DeLaCruz Jr., Dreamer DeLaCruz, and Elijah DeLaCruz. His sons are all spitting images of him in his younger years. More importantly was his great love for his four grandchildren Finn Meyer, Emma Meyer, Ellie DeLaCruz, and Riley DeLaCruz.

David was passionate about football and his favorite teams the Texas Longhorns and the Dallas Cowboys. David was a fan of all types of music and his favorite Jason Alden and his current hit "Try that in a Small Town".

David will be greatly missed by not only his family and "NaNa" Clarice but by the many friends he made living in Madison for the past 33 years. Casket bearers will be David DeLaCruz Jr., Dreamer DeLaCruz, Julio Hernandez, Julio Cienfuegos Jr., Ruben Fernandez, and Kevin Saches. Condolences may be expressed to the family on-line at www.stonacekfuneralchapel.com.

Cemetery Details

Crown Hill Cemetery

rural Madison, NE

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 7. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *David S. DeLaCruz Sr.*

October 05, 2023 at 03:46 AM



“ *Dear Family,*

I remember David as my student in Social Science at Madison High School. David was a nice guy and a good student. May he rest in peace and May God be with all of you at this difficult time in your lives.

Terry and Gloria Spence

Terry and Gloria Spence - September 10, 2023 at 10:57 AM



“ *May god be with us today.....sorry I couldn't be there brother 😞*



Rita De La Cruz - September 07, 2023 at 02:34 PM



“ *Hertz Farm Management, Inc. planted a Memorial Tree in honor of David S. DeLaCruz Sr..*

Hertz Farm Management, Inc. - September 06, 2023 at 03:36 PM

HI

“ Hertz Farm Management, Inc. purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of David S. DeLaCruz Sr..



Hertz Farm Management, Inc. - September 06, 2023 at 03:36 PM

CW

“ Contrell and Callie Wright planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David S. DeLaCruz Sr..

Contrell and Callie Wright - September 06, 2023 at 10:26 AM

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“ Contrell and Callie Wright purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of David S. DeLaCruz Sr..



Contrell and Callie Wright - September 06, 2023 at 10:26 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of David S. DeLaCruz Sr..

September 05, 2023 at 10:35 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of David S. DeLaCruz Sr..*



September 05, 2023 at 10:35 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of David S. DeLaCruz Sr..*



September 05, 2023 at 09:17 PM



“ *Melissa Dieter lit a candle in memory of David DeLaCruz*



Melissa Dieter - September 05, 2023 at 08:58 PM



“ *My first love. Always had love for this man. I remember the skate board, the curly hair and the beret you would always wear. Cruising around in the blue van. Football games on the hill. Sneaking around cuz my dad didnt approve. Memories could go on forever. Two children together. You raised 2 amazing children. Much love for this man*

Melissa Dieter - September 05, 2023 at 05:29 PM

MD

“ *Melissa Dieter lit a candle in memory of David DeLaCruz*



Melissa Dieter - September 05, 2023 at 05:25 PM

SS

“ *Love u brother*

Shanna schroeder - September 05, 2023 at 02:06 PM

SS

“ *Shanna schroeder lit a candle in memory of David DeLaCruz*



Shanna schroeder - September 05, 2023 at 02:05 PM