



Emilio Pete Espinosa

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Emilio Pete Espinosa, known affectionately to everyone as “Bird”, took a piece of everyone’s heart with him on January 14, 2022, at the age of 19.

Emilio was born on July 19, 2002 to parents Mary Elizabeth Romero and Peter Espinosa in Tucson, Arizona. He was the definition of love, light, and life. He was smart, funny, handsome, and loving. He gave the best hugs filled with warmth and care, and always had the biggest and most beautiful smile on his face. He marched to the beat of his own drum, and always lived his life to the fullest. His larger-than-life personality brought happiness to everyone who knew him.

Emilio had his whole life planned out, he had a bright future and it was just getting started – the best was yet to come. As a Youngster, Emilio talked about his many dreams and aspirations taking him further than Tucson’s south side. Everyone that knew him knew exactly how far he would have gone in life.

Throughout his life, Emilio played a variety of sports including basketball, football, and baseball. He was one of the original players in the Blue Jays Baseball Club. He also loved to play video games. Emilio loved to hang out with his friends and truck club members “Open Throttle”, participating in donuts and burnouts. What he loved doing most though, was riding his motorcycle. He was a Prospect for Mixteca Motorcycle Club, a club that was a Brotherhood to Emilio.

Emilio is known as a “Gentle Giant” because he always had so much love in his heart for everyone, especially his family. Emilio was a Father, a Son, a Grandson, a Brother, a Nephew, a Cousin, a Tio, and a Friend. He was a Proud Father who loved his daughter, Samira, and he loved being her Papa. His relationship with his Mom was greater than anyone can understand. They were each other’s “Ride or Die” and Emilio was his Mom’s shadow! Their love for each other will live on forever. Though we mourn Emilio’s death, we find solace that he is reunited with his father and they are now riding their motorcycles alongside each other, which is something Emilio always talked about and dreamed of. He will be extremely missed by his siblings, and



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remembered by them as a bright light in their life. Emilio was also a fun and playful Tio who adored his nieces and nephews. Always a kid at heart, he never missed the opportunity to play with them and let them climb all over him.

Emilio is survived by mother Mary E. Romero, daughter Samira Castellanos, brothers; Stefen Romero (Courtney), Santiago Romero, Aaron Griffith (Alma), and Elijah Espinosa, sisters; Kayleigh Espinosa, and Karina Espinosa, grandmothers; Mary V. Romero, and Ana Garcia. He is also survived by his godparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, nephews; Avery, Ryder, Jaxon, Sebastian, and Dominik, nieces; Arielle, Adalie, Luna, and Aria. He is deeply missed by many, many friends, and by many people in our community who loved him.

Emilio is preceded into eternal life by his father, Peter R. Espinosa, grandfathers; Jose "Wilo" Romero and Peter R. Espinosa Sr., and uncles; James Romero and Robert Espinosa.

Emilio touched the hearts of so many people and made a powerful, lasting impact on those around him. His sudden death has caused immense pain to everyone who knew him, especially his mother. Since his death, many have recalled how truly special he was and how fortunate they were to have known him. We ask that you honor him by never missing an opportunity to make a positive impact in someone's life, and for everyone who was fortunate enough to come across Emilio's path, please keep him in your thoughts, and your memories.

"To our Free Bird, we know your wings are soaring. Fly high, and ride on. Until we meet again..."

"Bird, we will miss your presence, but we know your spirit will remain with us. It was a privilege to have you in our lives and we will always love you. May you find peace in the arms of God."

The family would like to thank everyone for the support, comfort, prayers, and love during this difficult time.



Events

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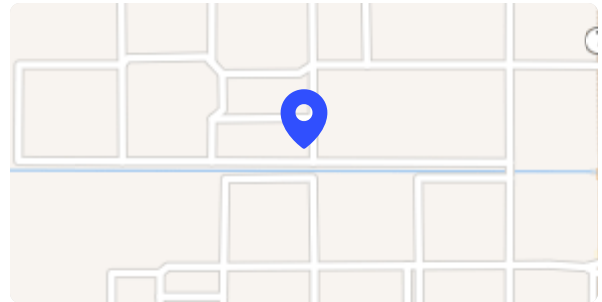
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Visitation

Friday, January 28, 2022

5:00 PM - 8:00 PM MT

Evergreen Mortuary and Crematory
3015 North Oracle Road, Tucson AZ 85705

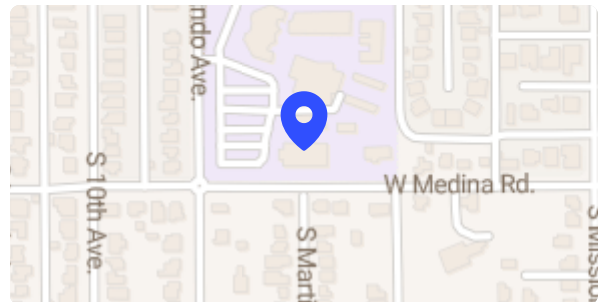


Mass

Saturday, January 29, 2022

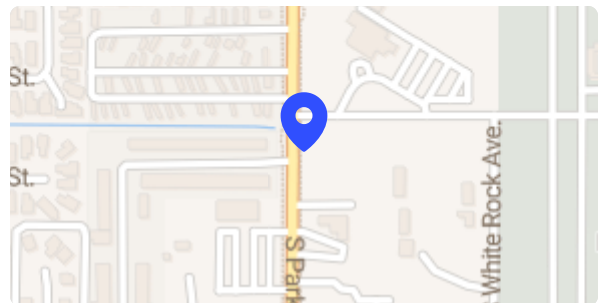
10:00 AM MT

St. Monica Roman Catholic Parish
212 West Medina Road, Tucson AZ 85756



Cemetery Details

Southlawn Cemetery
5401 S Park Ave, Tucson AZ 85706





Tribute Wall

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CG

Claribel Giron Garcia shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

My deepest condolences to Lisa (Romero & Espinosa family). Emilio was a kind gentle soul & amazing friend. Bird you will be missed 😞❤️👤

January 28 at 11:28 AM



MR

Mary Romero shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

I Love you My Big Bird 🐦

January 27 at 2:17 PM



Anonymous sent a Florist Choice Bouquet to the Espinosa family.

January 27 at 11:07 AM

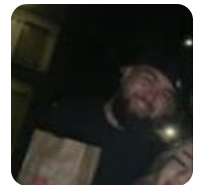


SI

Silvana shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

My biggest condolences to Emilios family.. he was an amazing friend and person overall, his departure has pained so many of us. Him & his name will live forever ❤️ rest peaceful Bird ☐☐

January 26 at 4:15 AM



DZ

Debbie Zamora posted:

Lisa,Aaron, Tago and Stephen the Zamora family is deeply sorry for your loss. Words could never express the sadness we feel. Bird was a beautiful person always a happy-go-lucky when we saw him he had the biggest smile and loving heart. Whenever he would come over I would tease him telling him to let me get a chair to stand on just so I could give him a hug.Emilio you are forever going to be missed by everyone who knew and loves you again our deepest sympathy and prayers go out to Emilio's family, friends. We love you BIG 🐦

January 25 at 4:30 PM



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Anonymous sent a Treasured Lilies Spray to the Espinosa family.



January 23 at 8:20 AM



Mary Espinoza shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

You will live forever in our hearts .❤️ Love you Emilio . Give my brother a hug ..❤️ 👤
❤️



January 22 at 1:02 PM



Danny{Wolfman}Pena posted:

God bless you Emilio and god bless all your family. I'll miss you thanks for being so respectful. It's sad to think the world has lost such an awesome person at such a young age you will live on forever in our hearts

January 22 at 2:44 AM



Isabel Griffith shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

The purest heart ❤️ Tia Bel loves you FOREVER



January 21 at 3:19 PM

DZ **Debbie Zamora** January 25 at 11:01 AM

We sure are going to miss you Big 🦋 You are your mamas angel 😊 now so spread your wings and wrap them tightly around her so she can feel you are with her. We love you bird and you'll always be in our hearts ❤️. The Zamora family



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Memories only last if you share them

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



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