



Cecil “Bobong” Enriquez De la Cruz

April 13, 2019

Cecil “Bobong” Enriquez De la Cruz, 60, passed away peacefully April 13, 2019, in McAllen, Texas, surrounded by many loving family members and friends singing hymns and praying over him. He was a devoted husband to Maria Teresita “Tess” De la Cruz. They shared 35 years of marriage and 9 years of courtship and engagement. Cecil was born November 19, 1958, in Zamboanga City, Philippines. He was the son of Gregorio De la Cruz & Pura Enriquez, and was part of a long line of prominent farmers, ranchers, business people and community leaders in the Labuan and Ayala communities. Cecil was a full academic scholar, a member of the Beta Sigma Fraternity, and an officer in the Corps of Cadets at the prestigious Mindanao State University. Cecil was an engineer for the renowned Zamboanga City Water District and an active member of the World Wide Church of God (currently United Church of God) before immigrating to the United States in 1990.

Cecil loved to travel with his family, specifically to church conventions around the world, where he enjoyed exploring new cities, eating good food, and sharing in fellowship with his brethren. Most of all he loved to praise God and was passionate about spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ to any that would listen. He was a proud father, loving grandfather, supportive husband and loyal family member to those who remained in the Philippines. He will be remembered for his steadfast faith, overflowing generosity, and the immeasurable love he had for friends and family.

He is survived by his loving wife, Tess, his son, Christian & daughter-in-law Audrey De la Cruz, his granddaughter, Rose, his younger brother, Gregorio De la Cruz Jr., and his sisters, Maria Teresa De la Cruz Lim & Maria Carmen De la Cruz & Mercedita Enriquez Domingo & Esther Enriquez. He is preceded in death by his older brother, Ramon Enriquez, his father, Gregorio De la Cruz, and his mother, Pura Enriquez.

Cecil’s celebration of life will begin with visitation and prayers held on Wednesday, April 17, 5:00-6:00pm, at the Kreidler Funeral Home. The Memorial Service will be held immediately after from 6:00pm-8:00pm in the chapel followed by a small reception

afterwards. The burial will take place at Forrest Lake Cemetery in Zamboanga City, Philippines. Time and date will be announced as soon as travel arrangements are finalized. The De la Cruz family would like to thank all of the friends, family, co-workers, and church family who have stepped in so generously through this difficult time with their support, love, and prayers.

Events

APR **Visitation** 05:00PM - 09:00PM

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314 N 10th St., McAllen, TX, US, 78501

APR **Prayer service** 06:00PM - 08:00PM

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Comments



“ Today, I'm saying farewell to someone who is close to my heart and who I consider as a big brother that I always wanted to have. I fondly called him "Manong Cil" as a show of respect. He is one of the most compassionate and generous person I've ever known. He is always there ready to give a helping hand whenever you needed him. He always come and visit our grandmothers to cheer them up, and will always give my mom a surprised visit whenever he is in the Philippines for vacation.

There is no way one can ever fully express the pain of losing a loved one. The memories I shared with him will always put a smile on my face and warmth in my heart. The wisdom and advises that he shared with me will be treasured forever.

I know he is at peace now in a place where God has him in His loving arms. In my heart he will forever stay, until we meet again someday. Rest in peace now, my dearest cousin...thank you for all the wonderful memories you left behind...you will be greatly missed.

Maria Brizzi - April 18, 2019 at 12:48 PM



“ My family and I will remember him loving my father's BBQ. He was always with his beautiful smile and always offering his help. He would be greatly missed but know he is resting and not suffering anymore.

Liza - April 17, 2019 at 12:04 AM



“ The last time 3 years ago I get to be with you Kuya Cecil De la Cruz! My deepest condolences ate Tess Domingo Dela Cruz and family. I Should have visited one more time.

Its a sad news to know you passed away 2 or 3 days ago.? We will miss you! Thank you Kuya “Bong” Cecil Dela Cruzfor all the good memories and mostly the advices to calm down and do not worry and enjoy life. It is true Life is really short. I’ll miss you sad that I won’t get to see you again next time I’ll visit Texas . Prayers to all family and friends who are mourning at this time may everyone will have strength. Thank you for everything Kuya. its okay Heaven just accepted another Angel for sure. Thank You God for Kuya Bong



Jordan Pambid - April 16, 2019 at 03:45 PM