



Ricardo "Richard" Diaz

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Weslaco- Mr. Ricardo "Richard" Diaz, a devoted over-the-road truck driver for over fifty-five years, ended his long and fulfilling journey on May 15, 2024, at DHR in Edinburg. Richard was 70 years old. He was born on June 2, 1953, in Weslaco, Texas, to Jose and Guadalupe "Estrada" Diaz. Richard grew up in Weslaco and met his soulmate as a young child. He and Rosie were teenage sweethearts. They eloped on November 29, 1971, and spent the rest of their lives together. Richard's career as an over-the-road truck driver was not just a job but a calling. Over his fifty-five-year career, he found solace on the open road, supporting his beloved family while admiring God's magnificent creation. His dedication was unparalleled, meticulously documenting his countless hours behind the wheel in several logbooks, surpassing what many would consider the norm. Known to his peers and family as "The Legend" and recognized by his CB handle "Spiderman," Richard was not just a driver but an icon in the eyes of those close to him, leaving a lasting impact on his profession and community. Throughout his career, Richard delivered produce to forty-eight states in the US and Canada. Richard's dedication extended beyond the highways and interstates that became his second home. He found joy in spending time with his family and his wife, Rosie Diaz, standing by his side through every mile traveled and every memory made. Oftentimes, Richard would take Rosie on the road with him. When at home in Weslaco, Richard cherished every moment with Rosie, his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, creating a loving and nurturing environment. Besides conquering less traveled roads, Richard enjoyed simple pleasures like tending to his yard and indulging in classic Western films. He also indulged in sweet bread and barbacoa. Richard was generous and always willing to lend a helping hand. In 2011, when the horrific tornadoes hit Joplin, Missouri, Richard hit the road and volunteered in disaster relief for as long as they needed him. This is just one example, but the local news called Richard "The Joplin



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Hero." Richard's unwavering commitment to work, community, and family exemplified the essence of a dedicated patriarch whose legacy will live on through all who had the privilege of knowing him. Richard is preceded in death by his parents, Jose and Guadalupe Diaz; son-in-law, Richard Yzaguirre; brothers, Juan Diaz Jr., Elojio Diaz, Pedro "Pete" Sr. and Janelle Diaz Sr., Jose Diaz; and sister, Frances Nuñez. He is survived by his loving wife, Rosalinda "Rosie" Diaz; children, Rachel Diaz, Rebecca Ansiso (Albert), Ricardo Diaz Jr., Roxanne Diaz, Ronica Yzaguirre (Richard), Rosanna Diaz; six additional children, siblings Jose L. Diaz (Isabel), Lupita Cano (Alfredo), Stella Gomez (Jesse), Teressa Diaz, and Patsy Diaz; sisters-in-law Guadalupe Diaz (Juan), Nora Diaz (Eulojio), and Anita Diaz (Jose); brother-in-law Max Nunez (Frances); eighteen grandchildren, fourteen great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews. Visitation will be held at McCaleb Funeral Home in Weslaco on Friday, May 17, from 10:00 AM to 9:00 PM, with a Celebration of Life at 7:00 PM. Additional visitation will occur on May 18 from 10:00 AM to 11:45 AM at McCaleb Funeral Home before proceeding to Sacred Park Cemetery in Mercedes for burial at noon."Rest easy, driver, we got it from here."



Tribute Wall

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Anonymous shared a **Video**.

August 7 at 4:20 PM



Garrick Anderson shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

My best friend ever we run together when we was 13 year old we work in the tomato field together for a long time he show me two drive a truck two we went two school two he had hill tap,s on his boot,s so I went got me some two. I miss him very much love always your friend forever

February 10 at 6:57 PM



Rosanna Diaz posted:

To every single person who has reached out to my family during our heartbreak, may God bless you abundantly! My husband's passing has been a difficult one to process but it brings us peace knowing my husband/Dad touched the lives of so many people both near and far. Please continue to pray for us & our entire family! -Mrs. Rosie Diaz & Family

November 19 at 3:21 PM



Violeta Flores posted:

My condolences to his wife Rosie his children and the rest of his family. May he rest in peace.

May 22 at 8:38 AM



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MT

Mandy Garcia From Mercedes Texas posted:

My condolences to Riche's wife whom I never had the pleasure of meeting. Her brothers Eddie and Neto were my friends as was Riche. We all became friends back in 1974. And my family would go work in the summers in N. Dakota. As would the Mancias family. Riche and Eddie and Neto would go to the camp where my family would live at. This was in 1976, and 77. I hadent seen Riche and his brothers in years. I spoke with Eddie about 12 years and he told me that Neto had passed away. The last time I saw Riche was about 20 years ago by chance. They were my good friends and always treated me with respect. I was just telling my granddaughter about Riche last week. And and his the semi truckk he used to drive "Low Rider" That's how I met him. He would always donateto the March of dimes when myself and my school mates would stand on Texas st and Old 83 in Mecedes. I was the only one that would dare climb up the step with the bucket to collect for the March of dimes. Riche thought that was funny as. heck.And would always donate. I also remember he used to have a dog (boxer) named la bestia back in 1977lol T he last time I saw Riche I recognized him by his walk. Lol He was alway a cool laid back guy. With that walk he had. My condolences to you his beloved wife Rosie whom he adored with all his heart and his daughters as well. May my good friend Riche Diaz rest in peace my good friend ðŸ™ðŸ™ðŸ™ I will always remember you and your brothers in law Eddie and Neto who have also passed away years ago

May 19 at 5:00 AM

FF

Frank Vasquez Sr. And Family posted:

Our most sincere and Deepest Sympathy and Condolences in this time of sorrow to the Ricardo (Riche) Diaz FamilyWe both grew as neighbors from across the street from each other.we both became OVER THE ROAD DRIVERS, YOU A TRUCK DRIVER WHILE I A COMMERCIAL BUS OPERATOR IN OUR CAREERS.T here were a few times we met at a truck stop while you fuel I would stop for 20 min.break for my passengers,in the mean time you and I chat while I waited for my passengers after their break,and we both continued in our ways. As well we both share a grandson, love by both our families ,lthan.you Copy SPIDERMAN,? YOU GOT T HE SILVER EAGLE 10-4 ROGER AND OUT...R.I.P.

May 19 at 12:04 AM

RR

Robert And Heidi Resendez posted:

Best neighbor I ever had and loved dearly.

May 17 at 11:22 PM



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From the Carrion Family has purchased Forever In Our Hearts for Ricardo "Richard" Diaz

May 17 at 7:20 PM



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Your UHC Family has purchased Sincerest Condolences Basket for Ricardo "Richard" Diaz

May 17 at 1:48 PM



Josefina Rodriguez shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Our condolences and respect, to the Diaz family from Clemente Rodriguez and family .

May 17 at 10:34 AM



Isabel De La Rosa posted:

My condolences to the family

May 17 at 9:26 AM



Rosanna Diaz posted:

#RollOnDaddyRollOnđŸ™đŸα

May 17 at 5:30 AM



Robert & Heidi Resendez shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Robert & Heidi Resendez has purchased Eternal Friendship for Ricardo "Richard" Diaz

May 16 at 11:52 PM





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RICHIE ,WHEN GOD NEEDED THE BEST HARD WORKING TRUCK TRAILER DRIVER TO DRIVE HIS ANGELS AROUND IN HEAVEN HE CAME TO WESLACO TX TO JOIN HIS TEAM IN HEAVEN AND FOUND HIS PERFECT CHOICE. I KNOW HE MADE THE RIGHT CHOICE AND YOU ARE ALREADY IN HEAVEN DOING HIS WORK DOING THE WORK YOU ENJOYED SO MUCH FOR SO MANY YEARS . ROSIE YOUR CHILDREN AND YOUR GRANDCHILDREN ARE SO PROUD OFF HAVING BEEN PART OF YOUR LIFE WHILE YOU WERE HERE WITH US ON EARTH . WE WILL BE JOINING YOU SOON WITH HIS HELP IN A BETTER PLACE WHEN IT'S OUR TIME.GOD BLESS BROTHER IN LAW FROM YOUR SISTER LUPITA AND HER HUSBAND ALFREDO CANO. .



May 16 at 5:25 PM

EC

Ernesto Castillo posted:

Mr. Diaz, we have known you for a short period of time, but it was enough to impact each of us with your charming smile and charisma every time you stepped into our office.You will be truly missedOur sincere condolences to the family from all of us at Regional Finance.

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