



Juan Manuel Hernandez

January 26, 1953 - May 25, 2020

Juan Manuel Hernandez (Baby Bull) 67 of San Saba passed away on May 25, 2020 in San Saba, Texas. He was born in San Saba, Texas to Pioquinto and Evangelina Hernandez on January 26, 1953. He attended school in San Saba. He graduated from Abilene Christian University. He was a teacher and football coach at Memorial High School in San Antonio, TX., where he retired in 2013. Juan was a kind man who always had a smile on his face. His students remember him as a great coach, mentor, and teacher. When the students asked why he stayed teaching in MHS, he would always say it was because he loved the kids at his school. He worked in the NYC program for four years. Juan also worked for Central Texas Manpower, Central Consortium and Central Texas Collage. He had a passion for sports, weightlifting to stay fit and loved to go fishing.

Juan is preceded in death by his father; Pioquinto Hernandez. He is survived by his sisters; Angie Hernandez Torres and husband Jesse Torres, Eva Hernandez and Mary Hernandez, his mother; Evangelina Flores Hernandez, nieces; Jade Walker and husband Robert Walker, Shelby Buttler and husband Braden McBee , nephew; Chris Sterling, Isaac Barron, Marcus Sterling and Bruce Sterling Jr. Ashley Wooten and Linner Wooten, three great nieces and one great nephew.

Visitation will be held at Heritage Funeral Home San Saba, TX., Wednesday May 27th and Thursday 28th from 5:00pm to 8:00pm. Holy Rosery recited both days at 6:00 pm.

Funeral Mass will be held at 12:00 pm Friday May 29, 2020 at St. Mary's Catholic Church with Father; Javier Toscano officiating. Interment will follow at San Saba City Cemetery.

Pallbearers; will be Cris Sterling, Robert Walker, Braden McBee, Paul Rodriguez, Jesse Morales, and Ernest Gomez.

Honorary Pallbearers; will be Isidro Villalobos, George DeLeon and Terry Lowery

Memorials can be made to the Kidney Foundation or the Cancer Society.

Funeral Mass will be live streamed and can be viewed online at st.mary'scatholicchurch-sansaba

Funeral arrangements are entrusted to Heritage Funeral Home of San Saba, TX.

Cemetery Details

San Saba City Cemetery

PO Box
San Saba, TX 76877

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 27. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Heritage Funeral Home - San Saba (Permanently Closed)
1901 W. Wallace St.
San Saba, TX 76877

Visitation

MAY 28. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Heritage Funeral Home - San Saba (Permanently Closed)
1901 W. Wallace St.
San Saba, TX 76877

Church Service

MAY 29. 12:00 PM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church
504 West Wallace Street
San Saba, TX 76877

Tribute Wall

DR

“ Coach H was also a coach for Holy Cross High School. I remember him as a kind but strong individual. He taught some of us how to drive in the summer of 1981. Always ready to help or give a helping hand to any of the Holy Cross Family. Mostly he taught us how to be men !! Thanks Coach and Rest In Peace !!! Football coach. Track Coach. Drivers Ed Teacher and mentor ...

Daniel Rodriguez - October 20, 2020 at 09:27 PM

AV

“ Coach Hernandez took me under his wing at Memorial High School when I was fresh out of college in 1998 at 22 yrs. old. He was an amazing mentor, person and friend. There was never a day he wanted to go to work and not change someone's life. He will be dearly missed and I am truly blessed to have had him as a close friend and mentor. RIP my friend! 🙏
Coach Adrian Velasquez

Adrian Velasquez - July 21, 2020 at 03:30 PM

MA

“ . On behalf of the Memorial Minutemen Alumni Association we would like to offer our sincere condolences to the family of Coach Hernandez. From 1989 thru 2013, Coach Hernandez dedicated 100% of his time to the students at Memorial High. We are forever grateful for all his services in coaching and teachings. A true mentor to so many and Coach will forever be embedded into the history of Memorial High and in the Edgewood District. Thank you heavenly Father for Coach Hernandez beautiful, courageous life.
Once a Minuteman, ALWAYS a Minuteman

Memorial Minutemen Alumni Association - May 29, 2020 at 09:24 PM

MO

“ *Margarita Ortega lit a candle in memory of Juan Manuel Hernandez*



Margarita Ortega - May 29, 2020 at 11:43 AM

MO

Coach Hernandez, was such an awesome Person, He was so Caring and gave his all to the Students, I would see how much the Students cared for him. I am a School Bus Driver for Edgewood ISD and when I started working there, I didn't know where I was going, I was scared when I saw him and I introduce myself and told him I really didn't know where I was going, He looked at me and Smiled and he said We got this. Breath and and relax you'll be fine. And ever since that day when I would picked him up He was always with that Big Beautiful Smile. My Deepest Condolence to his Family and Thank You for sharing such a wonderful, Caring Man, May he RIP.

Margarita Ortega - May 29, 2020 at 12:03 PM

DE

“ Coach Hernandez made quite an impression on me when I first met him. It was during our two-a-day practices at Holy Cross. I remember he would yell at the top of his lungs “Burning Day Light!” Yes, Coach Hernandez was as tough as they come, but he was a caring, kind and considerate person. Later, I had the pleasure of coaching with Coach Hernandez at Memorial High School. I learned so much from him. Coach Hernandez was a great coach who had tremendous passion for what he did. He had a way with connecting with students that brought out the best in them. He was an excellent role model for me as a student-athlete and again later as a teacher and a coach. I will never forget him. Rest in Peace Coach.

David Escobedo
Class of 1982
Holy Cross

David Escobedo - May 28, 2020 at 11:42 PM

BT

“ Coach Hernandez was my coach in High school at Holy Cross in San Antonio. He was a tough coach but always kind. He used to do the Drivers Ed classes at Holy Cross too so he was my instructor for that as well. I still remember taking my classes with him and driving his truck with him sitting in the drivers seat. I remember him telling me “hey your doing great. You’ll have no problem passing you driving test”. I’m sorry to hear of his passing. He was a good teacher, a good coach and a good person. I will remember him well. Go with God coach Hernandez. Bobby Torres class of 82’

Bobby Torres - May 28, 2020 at 07:52 PM

GP

“ Coach (Mr) Juan Hernandez was an influential Teacher, Mentor, Coach and Friend to many of us at Holy Cross of San Antonio. The memories are abundant and his guidance still influences our lives. He continued his gift of leadership at Memorial HS and provided San Antonio with some great people. He will be missed. Blessings and Prayers to the Family. God Bless.

Guillermo Ponce '87
Holy Cross of San Antonio

Guillermo Ponce - May 28, 2020 at 07:35 PM

CJ

“ Coach Hernandez will take sandwiches, I would always eat at last 1 or 2 he would look at me, you ate them villalobos, coach//////////I was hungry coach . I care for coach after he retired, he got sick with bone cancer, I would go to his room at Fredribrg road and Callahag road.i took respnsibility to be by his side daily I love you Coach Hernandez, you are in a better place rip Heaven.

Coach Isidoro Villalobos Jr. - May 28, 2020 at 07:20 PM

GW

“ This man was everything a family would want. He was wonderful son, brother, teacher and friend to all. He help my girls along and my grand children. I well always be blessed for what he was to my family. Thank you Johnny for all you did. Love you and go in peace to your homecoming. Love you

Gloria West - May 28, 2020 at 03:42 PM

SJ

“ Coach Hernandez was a great mentor, teacher and coach! He was my varsity football and track coach at Holy Cross High School from 1979-1983. Coach Hernandez was always available to talk and listen when as a young man you are confused and look for advise from people you trust! Growing up in the west side of San Antonio was tough enough but Coach gave me a vision to look forward to and be who I wanted to be! I've become who I am from his guidance and support as a young man! I pray for him to Rest In Peace and thank his family for the opportunity to share him during those trying years for me! My most heartfelt condolences and know that you and your family will always be in my prayers!

Simon Guereca Jr - May 28, 2020 at 02:21 PM

PP

“ Deepest condolences on the passing of Juan. He was my compadre and brother from '83 at Holy Cross, to MHS, and through our careers. Juan was tough and sweet, practical and sentimental, serious and funny. For 30 years, I went to work every day knowing that someone there cared for me and had my back. I hope he felt the same.

Rest in peace, my friend.

Patty Padilla

Patty Padilla - May 28, 2020 at 12:36 PM

O'

“ To the Family of Juan Manuel Hernandez,

Peace and blessings upon the entire family. Coach Hernandez was on the coaching staff at Holy Cross H.S. in San Antonio and his football days at Abilene Christian brought instant credibility to our program. I now know how much more of an impact Coach would make when he departed down the road to Memorial H.S. How fortunate the kids at Memorial were to have him all those years.

Oswaldo Vela '82 - May 28, 2020 at 10:46 AM

“ *European Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Juan Manuel Hernandez .*



May 28, 2020 at 09:30 AM

JA

“ *Condolences to the family of this very special man. He was one of my coaches at Holy Cross H.S. when I arrived there and he was a fierce motivator and great example to us. Rest in peace, Coach.*

*Jaime Hernandez
HC Class of '85.*

Jaime - May 27, 2020 at 03:01 PM

DM

“ *Sorry for your loss. We send prayers of comfort and peace to you all. May Johnny rest in peace fully healed and restored. Dora Cisneroz Miller & Family*

Dora Cisneroz Miller - May 27, 2020 at 11:36 AM

IV

“ I am his mentor at MHS, he learn from me and I learn from him, Coach Hernandez I cry, miss you,

isidoro villalobos - May 27, 2020 at 08:17 AM

GP

“ For those of us who were his players, we all can admit that he was hard on us. He always made you pushed yourself as much as possible. Whether it was lifting more weight at the gym, running up the hill much faster, or getting up after a hard hit. I feared him, but it was only because I knew he was going to be on my case if I was not going my 100 percent. I didn't realize how much I was going to miss his guidance until the last 50 seconds of my final football game senior year. I looked at the clock and then at coach as he prepared us to take on the field one last time. Tears came down my face and all I could remember saying is, “I'm going to miss you yelling at me, coach.” At that moment I realized that he had been guiding us to be stronger and resilient, and for the road that lay ahead after high school. I remained in contact with him over the years to keep him updated on my university studies and that I still hit the gym. He once told me that my strongest characteristic was that I had heart...and to keep on going. That stuck with me. And I realize his strongest trait was also his heart and how much he gave of it to his students. I still dream of him yelling for us to run faster up the hill...”it's all down hill after this last peak! Keep going!” I think back to the lessons he taught us whenever I face challenges in life. I say this confidently on behalf of my teammates, he has left a huge imprint on our lives. And for that we are forever thankful. You have done your job and we now will pass on the lessons that you taught us. Rest In Peace, coach. I find comfort in knowing that you'll be in heaven yelling at us from afar to keep on going. Thank you.

Greg Pardo - May 26, 2020 at 10:34 PM

DV

“ Coach Hernandez was not only a respected coach, but he was also a mentor, motivator and friend. He was Minutemen Proud and you knew how passionate he was when you saw his blue truck parked in the parking lot. Thanks Coach for Influencing so many lives! Your legacy will live on.

David Villalobos - May 26, 2020 at 09:38 PM

AD

“ Arcadio,Angie & Jeff,Maria & Dave, Carlos & Diane purchased the Yellow & White Rose Firesi de Basket for the family of Juan Manuel Hernandez .



Arcadio,Angie & Jeff,Maria & Dave, Carlos & Diane - May 26, 2020 at 06:48 PM

MP

“ Mary Daniela Prado purchased the Red, White & Blue Standing Wreath for the family of Juan Manuel Hernandez .



Mary Daniela Prado - May 26, 2020 at 04:51 PM



“ Healing Tears - All White was purchased for the family of Juan Manuel Hernandez .



May 26, 2020 at 04:18 PM



“ *Healing Tears - All White was purchased for the family of Juan Manuel Hernandez .*



May 26, 2020 at 03:35 PM



“ *Truly a fine , dedicated , wonderful teacher coach and even a greater individual. Enjoyed greatly working with him at Memorial high. Deep condolences and my prayers to the family*

Thomas Levine - May 26, 2020 at 02:45 PM



“ *My condolences to to coach Hernandez family. May God give you Pease and comfort. May he rest in peace.*



Olga Rodriguez-Alejandro - May 26, 2020 at 02:37 PM



“ *Heaven has gain another Angel 🙏. May you Rest In Peace. Until we meet again.*



Coach Rios - May 26, 2020 at 02:21 PM

MB

“ Thank you for all the memories at the Big MHS! Rest In Peace my friend.



Melisa Bombella - May 26, 2020 at 02:20 PM



“ Healing Tears - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Juan Manuel Hernandez .



May 26, 2020 at 02:06 PM

MD

“ Marie Dickerson lit a candle in memory of Juan Manuel Hernandez



Marie Dickerson - May 26, 2020 at 02:00 PM