



Louis Jose Vargas

August 25, 1933 - February 4, 2019

Louis J. Vargas, 85, died Monday in Bartlesville. He embodied “Semper Fi” (Always Faithful) and stayed loyal to his God, his family, his country, and his hometown. He was born in Dewey and except while he was away serving his country in the United States Marine Corps, he was a lifelong resident of Dewey and Washington County.

Louis was born the son of Alfonso and Delores (Ruiz) Vargas on August 25, 1933. He was raised and educated in Dewey, attending Dewey High School with the Class of 1953. Louis developed a strong work ethic early in life - at age 11 he went to work at the Dewey Cement Plant as a driver. His main duty was to drive laborers to job sites in Coffeyville, KS. He said he could barely reach the pedals and did the best he could.

Louis joined and was proud to serve his country from 1953 – 1955 in the U.S. Marines. He was a mechanic stationed at Marine Corps Air Station New River which is a Helicopter and Tilt-rotor Base in Jacksonville, NC. Once honorably discharged Louis returned home and worked for 10 years at Chevalley Moving, then one year as a cement contractor, 10 years at Benson Lumber in Dewey, and the next 20 years at the Washington County assessor’s office as a deputy assessor.

Louis enjoyed retirement - he worked in his yard maintained his garden and loved to visit with people. He took on the role as full-time caregiver for his brother after a severe stroke and cared for him in his home for many years. He lived the core values of honor, courage and commitment. Louis was a lifelong member of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Dewey. He will be dearly missed by those that knew him.

Louis is survived by one brother Esteban “Lou” Vargas of Dewey, sister in law Retha Vargas of Skiatook, and numerous nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents; two brothers Clemente and Alfonso; four sisters, Cecilia Meade, Frances Gomez, Mary Maldonado and Emilia Martinez.

Visitation will be held on Thursday from 10-8 and Friday 9-1 at the Davis Family Funeral Home – Dewey Chapel. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Our Lady of

Guadalupe Catholic Church, 400 W 9th St, Dewey, OK 74029.

Graveside services will be held 2:30 p.m. on Friday, February 8, at the Dewey Cemetery. Services are under the direction of Carter Davis and the Davis Family Funeral Home – Dewey Chapel. Online condolences and remembrances may be shared at www.DavisFamilyFuneralHome.com.

Cemetery Details

Dewey Cemetery

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 7. 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Davis Family Funeral Home - Dewey Chapel
113 S Osage Ave
Dewey, OK 74029
(918) 534-3030
davisfamilyfuneralhome@gmail.com

Visitation

FEB 8. 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

RW

“ I remember him as sweet and ornery at the same time. My mother worked in the assessors office with him until his retirement. His gentle teasing could bring this shy teenager out of her shell. He will be remembered fondly for many years to come by his community.

Robin Willig

Robin Willig - February 08, 2019 at 03:16 PM

MS

“ What a wonderful man Louis was, he was so kind to help Swede at the car wash for many years. can't ever thank him enough. Forever grateful to him. RIP our dear friend. Love and prayers to all the family.

Swede and Marjorie Swanson

Marjorie Swanosn - February 07, 2019 at 02:46 PM

JB

“ He was a great man. I frequently visited with him at the pharmacy I worked for. Thoughts and prayers to his family 🙏

jari bowers - February 07, 2019 at 01:03 PM

AS

“ He was a exceptional man, always very friendly. I worked with him so many years ago in the assessor office. He was a Dewey "fixture", always out and about. You will be missed.

Rest in peace.



Alice Syokes - February 07, 2019 at 08:25 AM