

*In Loving Memory of*  
*Jesus A. Valderrama*  
June 4, 1959 - September 25, 2023



Friday, September 29, 2023  
Viewing: 11:00 am Service: 12:00 Noon

**Chapels of Eden Funeral Home**  
110 South Munn Avenue, East Orange, NJ 07018  
Pastor David Rodriguez, Officiating



# Obituary

## **Jesus Armando Valderrama Jalk**

June 4, 1959, Barranquilla, Colombia

September 25, 2023, West Orange, New Jersey

Jesus Valderrama was born in Barranquilla, Colombia to Jose Valderrama Sr. and Ubaldina Jalk, siblings Carmen, Jaime, Judith, Alberto, Carlos, and Leonor Valderrama. Jesus studied in the city he was born in, Barranquilla, Colombia. In 1977, Jesus emigrated with his parents and siblings to the United States of America in hopes of a better life and attaining the American Dream. Jesus continued his studies and obtained his high school diploma at Orange High School. Jesus further continued and obtained his associate degree in Essex County College. Afterward, Jesus obtained a degree in Information Technology. He worked in different companies and continued progressing in his career to help his family.

Jesus had an incredible passion for music which further culminated in the formation of his group “Juepa Je”, which played across various clubs and festivals. Jesus would always speak to his family members about the happiness, joy, and success that music brought into his life.

Jesus was beloved by a large family which included his siblings, nieces, nephews, and grandchildren. Jesus would have a pension of saying the right anecdotes and teachings in the right moment and taught many generations of Valderrama’s, Abuelo and Abuela would be proud. Another passion of Jesus was playing Soccer. He made many lifelong friends and bonds while scoring many goals and getting plenty of red cards.

Today, we are gathered here to celebrate the life of Jesus Valderrama. Beloved friend, uncle, soccer player, music lover, and most important, brother. It is with great pain to say that Jesus is no longer here with us, but also we rejoice in happiness knowing that he will be reunited with Jose Sr, Ubaldina, Carmen, and Jaime Valderrama. We thank God for the time we have been able to spend with you. In Jesus later life, he became a devout believer in God, so may you continue watching over him Lord, rest in peace my dear brother.

Forever loved and honored by your family.

# *Order of Service*

**Processional**

**Selection**

**Scripture Readings**

**Prayer**

**Selection**

**Acknowledgements**

**Remarks**

**Obituary**

**Selection**

**Eulogy**

**Final Viewing**

**Recessional**

***Interment***

Rosedale Cemetery  
Orange, New Jersey

***Repast***

Bethel Presbyterian Church  
185 Midland Ave  
East Orange, New Jersey 07017

# *Death Is Nothing At All*

*Death is nothing at all  
I have only slipped away into the next room  
I am I and you are you  
Whatever we were to each other  
That we are still  
Call me by my old familiar name  
Speak to me in the easy way you always used  
Put no difference into your tone  
Wear no forced air of solemnity or sorrow  
Laugh as we always laughed  
At the little jokes we always enjoyed together  
Play, smile, think of me, pray for me  
Let my name be ever the household word that it always was  
Let it be spoken without effort  
Without the ghost of a shadow in it  
Life means all that it ever meant  
It is the same as it ever was  
There is absolute unbroken continuity  
What is death but a negligible accident?  
Why should I be out of mind  
because I am out of sight?  
I am waiting for you for an interval  
Somewhere very near  
Just around the corner  
All is well  
Nothing is past; nothing is lost  
One brief moment and all will be as it was before  
How we shall laugh at the trouble of parting when we meet again!*

## *Acknowledgement*

*The family wishes to express their deepest and most sincere  
thanks to all who shared with them in this time of sorrow.  
May God bless and keep you in a most gracious way.*

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