



Cecilio Bernabe Jr.

July 17, 1949 - August 3, 2020

Cecilio O. Bernabe, Jr., age 71, passed away on Monday, August 3, 2020.

Our beloved Cecilio, "Boy" was born July 17, 1949 in Quezon City, Philippines to the late Cecilio Bernabe, Sr. and Esperana Ona Bernabe. He was the fifth of 10 children, four preceded him in death. Boy married Lourdes, "Ludette" Bernabe in 1974 in Toronto, Canada and two children, Cedric and Cecile, were born from this union. The family moved to Virginia in 1985. Boy spent the last 25+ years doing home remodeling projects, where he used his toolbox of skills to fulfill the needs of so many, often charging less than he should, because he had such a big heart. He also catered many events, for family and friends, where word of mouth brought him so many referrals. His smile lit up a room, his kindness reached so many, he truly was the "darling" of the family.

Cecilio is survived by his wife Lourdes, children Cedric Bernabe and Cecile Burton; daughter in law Maricel Aguirre and son-in-law Josh Burton; grandchildren Sebastian, Alyssa, Jaiden, Kayla, and Callen; siblings Wendelina, Esperanza, Edgardo, Leodegario and Orlando, and their spouses and children; and so many more extended family members.

The family was with Boy and received friends on Monday, August 10th, followed by a prayer service at Loudoun Funeral Chapel, 158 Catoclin Circle SE, Leesburg, VA 20175.

The family will hold a Catholic mass for Boy on Friday, September 11th at 10am at St John's Catholic Church in Leesburg, Va, followed by his burial service. Due to Covid-19, the family understands if you are unable to attend. Extra masks, hand sanitizer and social distancing will be observed at the church.

Cemetery

St. John the Apostle Catholic Cemetery

101 Oak Crest Manor Drive
Leesburg, VA,

Events

AUG **Visitation** 10:00AM - 11:00AM

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Loudoun Funeral Chapel

158 Catoctin Circle, S.E., Leesburg, VA, US,
20175

AUG **Service** 11:00AM

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Comments



“ A webcast video has been added.



Loudoun Funeral Chapels - August 05, 2020 at 04:19 PM



“ While we could not be there physically, please know we were here for the beautiful service with our whole hearts. Sending all of you enormous hugs and boundless strength and love. Alexi, Jeph and family.

Alexi Soto - August 10, 2020 at 12:13 PM



“ I was so moved by the service. I'm so sad I could not join. God bless everyone. Sending big big hugs. Until I see you again.

Michelle Wallig - August 10, 2020 at 07:41 PM



“ My deepest sympathy and condolences to you my dear friend and your family. We will surely miss the, a dear friend, handyman, chef, better half and most of all darling of all. Vaya con Dios.

Leli Roque - September 02, 2020 at 07:59 AM



“ I wish I lived closer so I could pray there with you, Ludette, sending love, hugs and strength in your moment of grief, he was a good man.

Nilamarie - September 02, 2020 at 04:41 PM



“ It was so sad to watch the video. I'm glad I met him once when you visit Toronto, he was a likeable person always with a smile on his face. My thoughts and prayers are with you. May his memory be eternal. Rest in peace.

Fely manosca - September 03, 2020 at 07:09 AM



“ It was our first visit to your beautiful home and you welcomed us all with so much warmth and laughter. Guests never forget the host who had treated them kindly.

Hugs to you, Ludette. And to the rest of the Bernabe family, our sympathy and prayers.

Love from Ggie, Eia, Gio, George and Bobbie



Ggie Bernabe - August 11, 2020 at 10:29 AM



“ Ellen S. Trice lit a candle in memory of Cecilio Bernabe Jr.



Ellen S. Trice - August 10, 2020 at 02:11 PM



“ Romina, Renan & Family lit a candle in memory of Cecilio Bernabe Jr.



Romina, Renan & Family - August 10, 2020 at 12:21 PM



“ Monina Hudencial Dynes lit a candle in memory of Cecilio Bernabe Jr.



Monina Hudencial Dynes - August 10, 2020 at 09:54 AM



“ Goodbye to our dear Kuya Boy. May the Lord and the angels take you to paradise and may you rest in everlasting peace. You were such a good friend “the best cook “ We will always cherish the friendship. I will always call “Mrs.B” Ate Ludette to check on her . Rest now Kuya Boy you are now with your loved ones and your maker. Our heartfelt sympathy to Ate Ludette Cedric and Chi. May God give you peace comfort and strength now and always. We started a novena prayers for the departed for Kuya Boy.

Love and prayers

Jessamine and Marc Froilan

Jessamine Sabarre- Froilan - August 10, 2020 at 09:33 AM



“ Nina Villatema lit a candle in memory of Cecilio Bernabe Jr.



Nina Villatema - August 10, 2020 at 08:41 AM



“ We never would have felt ready to say goodbye to someone as special as our dearest Boy who meant so much to all of us, but this timing feels especially tough. He was such a very good & loving husband to his wife Lourdes and father to Cedric & Chi.

We're going to miss him so much.

Acceptance of this incident is truly hard but it's even harder that we can't all be together (due to Covid-19) to see our beloved Boy.

Wishing your family peace, comfort and strength.

We're with you in spirit now and in the days and weeks ahead.

Daddy Bert & Mommy Nida Llantos

Dr. & Mrs. Bert S. Llantos - August 10, 2020 at 12:43 AM



“ Katrina & Oliver Milano lit a candle in memory of Cecilio Bernabe Jr.



Katrina & Oliver Milano - August 09, 2020 at 11:03 PM



“ Katrina, Oliver, Kara & Olivia Milano lit a candle in memory of Cecilio Bernabe Jr.



Katrina, Oliver, Kara & Olivia Milano - August 09, 2020 at 11:01 PM



“ Linda Hudencial lit a candle in memory of Cecilio Bernabe Jr.



Linda Hudencial - August 09, 2020 at 07:26 PM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Christine Park - August 09, 2020 at 09:39 AM



“ Christine Park lit a candle in memory of Cecilio Bernabe Jr.



Christine Park - August 09, 2020 at 09:37 AM



“ Dellota Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Cecilio Bernabe Jr.



Dellota family - August 08, 2020 at 11:21 AM



“ Dellota Family lit a candle in memory of Cecilio Bernabe Jr.



Dellota family - August 08, 2020 at 11:19 AM



“ Hearing the news about Boy passing is very sad. I cannot imagine the loss that Ludette (aka Mrs B as we call her) is feeling. Boy and Ludette were inseparable. They are a couple that complement each other well. I remember she calls Boy, “Darling” which is why everyone also refers to him as Darling. We are surely going to miss him. Specially his cooking and big smile.

John 14:1-2^[1]_[SEP]“Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. My Father’s house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you?”

Boy’s passing is a huge lost for all of us but an enormous gain for Heaven.

Prayers are with you,
Dalia Morales-Cabalu



Dalia Morales-Cabalu - August 07, 2020 at 11:12 PM



“ Our deepest condolences go out to Ludette, Chi, Cedric, Ferdi, Myra and the entire family. We're so sorry to hear about the loss of Boy. We really enjoyed the time we spent together at Ferdi and Myra's house. Boy always made us feel so welcome and special. He had an infectious personality and smile and made everyone in the room feel better because he was there.

I know Boy was skilled craftsman and I loved talking to him about the various work he was doing. Boy, you will be truly missed. It broke our hearts to lose you but you did not go alone. A part of us when with you, the day God took you home. If tears could build a stairway, and heartaches make a lane, we'd walk our way to heaven and bring you back again. May God wrap his loving arms around the entire family and friends and give us all strength in this very difficult time. Sincerely, Teddy and Mary Dyer

Teddy and Mary Dyer - August 07, 2020 at 01:04 PM



“ Tito Boy was generous and kind hearted. He was the person who introduced my parents when they were all teenagers back in the Philippines. I owe my life to him. Words cannot describe the sorrow I feel. I would go to family reunions looking forward to his food! God bless Tita Ludette. I just want to give you a big hug. God bless Ced and Chi. Your Dad lives within you. Your guardian angel will always take care of you now. Rest In Peace Tito Boy.

Michelle Wallig - August 07, 2020 at 07:08 AM



“ We will all miss Tito Boy very dearly. And are very saddened by his passing. I remember growing up in VA and our parents always hanging out, specially since my mom is very close to Mrs B. Every time we visited the house on the hill at Great Falls, Tito Boy would usually be fixing something or cooking. I recall his pancit being one of my favorites. And then when I moved back to VA from Manila, Tito Boy was the one who helped me find my first car. He made sure it was reliable, safe and not a lemon. He even helped me negotiate the price down. The extra time and effort he made to make sure I was in good hands meant a lot to me. Anytime I had any car problems or just needed help in general with anything at all, Tito Boy and Mrs B would be there to lend a hand or give advise.

His kindness and generosity was always felt and appreciated. Simply put, Tito Boy was genuinely awesome and will most definitely be missed.

Wishing you all the courage and strength to get through these difficult times.

With warms thoughts and care.
-Riabelle Morales-Benetua

Riabelle Morales - August 07, 2020 at 02:19 AM



“ In the 20+ years I have know Chi, her family has always been a big part of that friendship. While they are all amazing, Boy was an incredible special and unique soul. He was genuinely one of the most welcoming, loving and humble people I have ever met. Every time I saw him I was greeted with his infectious smile, his heart wide open and always boundless amounts of delicious food on the table. To be honest, I don't think I ever saw him without a smile on his face; a smile that lite up the room and your heart. His eyes were always full of happiness, love and openness. He wanted everyone to be happy, and with a full belly of course. There was just something so calming and peaceful about his presence. And the abundance of love and pride he had for his kids and grandkids was probably one of the most beautiful of things to witness. He is a wonderful role model to have in ones life. I am grateful to have had the privilege to have known a man so pure, kind and open hearted. A family man who always worked hard and gave everything to those he loved. May his light shine on all of us he touched so deeply forever!

Alexi Soto - August 06, 2020 at 06:22 PM



“ DEAR LUDETTE, CHI ,CEDRIC AND FAMILY,
I AM SO SAD ABOUT THE PASSING OF MY DEAR COUSIN BOY, HE IS
EXCEPTIONALLY SPECIAL AND LOVING PERSON. THEY WERE ALWAYS HERE
FOR ME IN TIME OF NEEDS AND SICKNESS. I CAN NEVER FORGET THAT AND
i WILL ALWAYS TREASURE THE MEMORIES, THE CHATS AND THE GET
TOGETHER THAT HE ALWAYS GRACIOUSLY HOSTED ALL THE TIME ! I FEEL
SO BAD THAT I CANNOT BE WITH YOU BUT I AM WITH YOU IN SPIRIT AND
PRAYERS.
I LOVE YOU ALL !!!!!



Carrie Bernabe - August 06, 2020 at 04:34 PM



“ ATPCO Family lit a candle in memory of Cecilio Bernabe Jr.



ATPCO Family - August 06, 2020 at 01:01 PM



“ Good morning Chi .. how are you all holding up especially your Mom? with deepest regret just wanting to let you know and kindly tell to your mom (we are not FB friends) as well that we are unable physically to go to the viewing on Monday for your Dad .. we would love to go to pay our respect for the last time but with Covid pandemic it's very difficult .. we are at high risks with cormorbidities and baby sitting directly with our grand kids .. hoping you all will understand .. we will be watching the services on line provided by the funeral home .. your Dad is good man with big heart and always had a smile on his face and easy disposition .. he always there for the family no matter what.. always cooking delicious food and fixing whenever you need repairs at home .. he touched so many lives and a lot of people love him .. we are honored and blessed to know him and be related to him .. I remember when Inay was sick he prepared her favorite food and brought to the hospital .. if there is any family gathering he always bring delicious food esp.. the “Biko’.. we always looked forward for his foods .. we are sorry for your loss and shocked of the sudden passing away of your Dad .. up to now I can't believe this happened .. it's like a bad nightmare .he had done home repairs in our house and every time we see them we will be reminded of him .. no words can ease your pain and sorrow but with your faith in God and his guidance it will be easier and less pain as day passes by .. know that you are not alone .. so many people love you .. our thoughts and prayers are all with you esp.. to your your Mom and the rest of the Bernabe's family .. your Dad is in better place now and at peace .. May his soul Rest In Peace.. take good care of your Mom.. and Cedrick .. take care and God bless you all .. praying that God will give you all the strength and courage to overcome difficulties and move forward when the time comes .. He will be missed .. our virtual hugs and embrace to you all esp. your Mom .. kindly have your Mom read this when you had the time .. much love.. stay safe

tito Loy and tita Linda (Tiburcio)

Loy and Linda Tiburcio - August 06, 2020 at 10:25 AM



“ 4 files added to the album Family



Cecile Burton - August 05, 2020 at 01:10 PM



“ Josh and Chi I am so sorry for your loss. Chi I know how close you are to your family and Josh too. I never met your dad personally but I heard stories from the two of you and RJ and what a wonderful person he was and how he added to others lives so much. Obviously, he was a wonderful man and that's why I got God chose to take him home. Again my deepest sympathy to you and your family.

Linda Haney - August 06, 2020 at 09:08 AM



“ Our deepest condolence to your family Ludette & family

Pepita Verayo - August 06, 2020 at 09:35 AM



“ Our deepest sympathy to the Bernabe family. We will always remember you darling since you made our windows beautiful..Cant believe that after weeks we have seen you ,you will be gone.Thank you so much ,you will always be remembered.Charity and Nena.August 9 at 2:43 PM

Charity Lasam and Nena Portem - August 09, 2020 at 02:48 PM



“ Our dearest darling you will always be in our hearts. Your kindness to us and to everyone you meet is beyond compare. Cooking for our kids party. Oil change as soon as we arrived in VA. I thank God for such a wonderful brother in law. We will miss you but not your memories. We love you.

Frank, Monina, Paul, Juliann, Matthew, Natasha, Marcus and Nathan Dynes

Monina Hudencial Dynes - August 10, 2020 at 07:13 AM