



## Gilbert Louis Lara

March 14, 1955 - January 30, 2018

Funeral services for Gilbert Lara, 62, of Giddings, are scheduled for 1:00 p.m. on Friday, February 2, 2018 at St. Margaret's Catholic Church in Giddings with Father Uche Andeh officiating. A private family committal service will be held in the Giddings City Cemetery at a later date. Visitation will be held on Thursday, February 1, 2018 from 11:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. and on Friday, February 2, 2018 from 7:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. at Phillips and Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings. The family will be present for visitation Thursday evening from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. and a Rosary will follow at 7:00 p.m.

Gilberto Louis Lara was born on March 14, 1955 in Giddings, Texas, the son of Richard and Mary (Gonzales) Lara. He passed away the afternoon of Tuesday, January 30, 2018 at the Seton Medical Center in Austin.

Gilbert was preceded in death by his parents.

Gilbert attended Giddings High School and was a member of the 1973 Football District Tri- Champs. After high school Gilbert worked with his Godfather, Antonio Gonzales, at the Texaco Service Station on HWY 77. He enjoyed this work especially driving his Godfather's wrecker. It was during this time that he met a life-long friend, Bob Tharp. After this, Gilbert ran a taco business and also worked for the Giddings State Home and School. For the last 15 years of employment, Gilbert was a travelling car sales rep.

Gilbert was a fan of the Giddings Buffs as well as the Texas Longhorns. He enjoyed playing golf and was a fan of John Wayne and Elvis Presley. Gilbert loved his family and grandkids. He also enjoyed being a part of the Gonzales family reunion and hanging out at the bar-b-que pits.

Gilbert was a member of St. Margaret's Catholic Church and was also a member of the Knights of Columbus. He was a Fourth Degree Charter Member.

He is survived by three children, Joseph and Susan Lara of Austin, Juliann and Lee Ritchey of Austin and Joey and Jessica Carlton of Houston; eight grandchildren, Kathryn, Dawson, Kaylee, Cody, Clayton, Adia, Theron and Cole; one sister, Rebecca Vasquez of Sugarland; six brothers, James Lara and Eva Jackson of San Springs, Oklahoma, Joseph Robert Lara of Luling, Michael Lara and Anna Salinas of Hutto, Edward Lara of Giddings, Thomas Lara and Sharon Maass of Bryan and Charles Lara of Giddings; sixteen nieces and nephews, Maricella Vasquez, Jessica Vasquez, Gabriella Vasquez, Damon Lara, Yolanda Fowler, Adrian Lara, Dane Lara, Marcus Lara, Dustin Lara, Daniella Lara, Elizabeth Padron, Christine Lara, Angelica Cluck, Esela Compean, Larissa Lara and Jordyn Lara as well as numerous great nieces, great nephews, cousins and friends.

Memorials may be made to the Giddings Athletic Booster Club, P.O. Box 485, Giddings, Texas 78942 or to the charity of one's choice.

# Cemetery Details

## Giddings City Cemetery (Section C)

900 West Austin Street  
Giddings, TX 78942

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 1. 11:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Phillips and Luckey Funeral Home - Giddings  
3950 East Austin Street  
Giddings, TX 78942

## Family Present for Visitation

FEB 1. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - Giddings  
3950 East Austin St.  
Giddings, TX 78942  
(979) 542-3113  
phillipsluckey@yahoo.com  
<https://www.phillipsandluckey.com/>

## Rosary

FEB 1. 7:00 PM (CT)

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## Visitation

FEB 2. 7:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Phillips and Luckey Funeral Home - Giddings  
3950 East Austin Street  
Giddings, TX 78942

## Funeral Service

FEB 2. 1:00 PM (CT)

St. Margaret Catholic Church  
526 S. Grimes  
Giddings, TX 78942

# Tribute Wall

BO

“ *BOB lit a candle in memory of Gilbert Louis Lara*



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**BOB** - February 06, 2018 at 12:31 PM

HS

“ *Harry Schroeder lit a candle in memory of Gilbert Louis Lara*



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**Harry Schroeder** - February 04, 2018 at 10:22 AM

BM

“ *My heart is saddened. Condolences to Family.*



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**Billy Maxey** - February 01, 2018 at 07:50 PM

SP

“ *Gilbert and Paul(Pablo) Rodriguez were friends in high school. Paul would get him in trouble at school especially with the girls! But they remained close friends up until Paul died. They are together again.*

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**Shirley Rodriguez Paschal** - February 01, 2018 at 05:37 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gilbert Louis Lara.*



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February 01, 2018 at 04:46 PM



“ *Taco was such an amazing spirit. I remember when we were young, he was the life of the party. He would come in to B&B and light up the room.*

*I appreciated all of the visits he made to me when I was at the restaurant. Still full of crap, sick and all.*

*God bless the family he leaves behind.*

*Rest in peace my dear friend.*

*Sending all my love to the brothers,*

*Love*

*Fay Birnbaum*

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**Fay Birnbaum** - February 01, 2018 at 04:12 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Gilbert Louis Lara.*



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February 01, 2018 at 03:38 PM

MM

“ *Melanie Meyer lit a candle in memory of  
Gilbert Louis Lara*



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**Melanie Meyer** - February 01, 2018 at 11:45 AM

MS

“ *Michelle M Schuetz lit a candle in memory of  
Gilbert Louis Lara*



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**Michelle M Schuetz** - February 01, 2018 at 11:44 AM

MS

*To the Lara Family, I'm sorry for your loss. Prayers for comfort, peace  
and strength during this time and days ahead for your family.*

*Michelle, Cody, Cooper, and Alex Schuetz*

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**Michelle M Schuetz** - February 01, 2018 at 11:47 AM

MM

“ To all the Lara family - Gilbert was in the ER in Brenham whenever Rodney's Mom was taken there. We visited with him for quite awhile and then later after she was moved to a room, he came by to check on her and us. No matter where we saw him, he was always concerned about how everyone was doing. He was such a very loving and caring person and always smiling and he always brought a smile to our faces. We will miss him. Our thoughts and prayers to all now and in the days to come. May God surround with His love and peace thru family and friends.

*Sheriff Rodney and Melanie Meyer*

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**Melanie Meyer** - February 01, 2018 at 11:44 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Gilbert Louis Lara.



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February 01, 2018 at 10:38 AM

TM

“ Teresa Muniz lit a candle in memory of Gilbert Louis Lara



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**Teresa Muniz** - February 01, 2018 at 09:43 AM

CJ

“ To the Lara Family...Gilbert was always a smiling light whenever I was around him. He loved his family and was protective of his brothers, especially the younger ones. Gilbert always seem to have a little joke or antidote to make me laugh and smile. I know he will be missed by you all. Prayers for peace and know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.  
Carolyn Jatzlau

Carolyn Jatzlau - February 01, 2018 at 09:25 AM



“ Gina Light Lara lit a candle in memory of Gilbert Louis Lara



Gina Light Lara - February 01, 2018 at 02:55 AM



“ To the Lara family, we are so sorry for your loss. Words cannot express how we feel at the loss of such a sweet man. I will not say good- by but see you later. Tell the family in heaven we miss them very much. I cannot believe that you are gone. I love you very much cousin.

Gina Light Lara - February 01, 2018 at 02:45 AM

SC

“ Dear Tommy, Rissa, & Jordyn,

*So sorry to hear of the loss of a loved one. May God wrap his loving arms around and your family during this time of grief.*

*James & Sharon Chapman*

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**Sharon Chapman** - January 31, 2018 at 11:41 PM

MS

“ *To Gilbert's family: May God give you comfort in knowing he is no longer suffering his illnesses and that he will now be your guiding light. My condolences to all of you as I remember his amazing sense of humor, kindness and huge heart for everyone he met. We've all been very blessed having him in our lives. Keep smiling, cousin. Mary Ann Gonzales Sudduth, Sealy*

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**Mary Ann Sudduth** - January 31, 2018 at 09:53 PM