



Justin Castaneda

July 31, 1985 - June 4, 2025

A native Texan, Justin Castaneda, 39, of Caldwell passed away on Wednesday, June 4, 2025. He was born on July 31, 1985, in Temple and entered the world as a miracle baby—weighing one pound and 12 inches tall, he was tiny but mighty, with an unbreakable spirit that carried him through life's challenges. His generous heart, infectious laughter, and bright smile touched the lives of everyone fortunate enough to know him.

From an early age, Justin faced adversity with resilience and grace, overcoming the difficulties of living with cerebral palsy. He was blessed with incredible teachers, including Mrs. Knesek, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Cantey, and Mrs. See, who nurtured and cared for him throughout his school years. Among his friendships, his closest bonds were with Marcus and Amber—their trio, known as the "Three Musketeers," shared many cherished moments before Marcus and Amber's untimely passing. Despite all odds, Justin proudly attended his senior prom and graduated from Caldwell High School in 2006, a testament to his perseverance and the kindness of his teachers and classmates.

Justin lived life with joy, enthusiasm, and laughter. You might be surprised to know that he was bilingual in English and Spanish. Some of his favorite foods he would say in Spanish included frijoles, cafecito, y sandia. And if you were stubborn, he would call you "cabezudo." He adored "The Price is Right,"

always ready to make a confident bid of \$258, and his love for music was undeniable. Whether he was jamming to Freddy Fender's "I Love My Rancho Grande" or belting out "Streets of Bakersfield" by Dwight Yoakam, music was a source of happiness. His deep appreciation for country classics and emotional melodies like "The Dance" by Garth Brooks revealed his sentimental side. Justin's love for Texas ran deep—he cheered passionately for his Aggies, Dallas Cowboys, Houston Texans, and even that "other college" in Austin. Above all, Justin's faith in Jesus Christ was unwavering. His spirit will forever remain in the hearts of his loved ones, who will deeply miss his warmth, humor, and love.

Justin was truly special, surrounded by many devoted caretakers who cherished him, including Carolina, Cindy, Stacey, Evelyn, Abraham, Casey, Rona, Nora, and Travis. Their love and dedication ensured he lived a life full of joy and comfort.

Justin was preceded in death by his beloved parents, Genaro Sr. and Isabel (Vega) Castaneda. Left to cherish his memory are his eleven siblings: Carolina and Randy Kitchen, Cynthia Schultz, Cindy Qawasmeh, Lisa and Corey Williams, Roger and Shannon, Genaro Jr., Randy, Casey, Stacey and late Steven Baasen, Wendy and Sal Saladiner, and Evelyn and Abraham Obregon. He also leaves behind 25 nieces and nephews, 14 great nieces and great nephews, and countless relatives and friends who will forever carry his spirit in their hearts.

Justin's life was a beautiful testament of perseverance, joy, and unwavering love. Though he may no longer be physically with us, the impact he made will continue to shine through all who knew him.

Until we meet again in that beautiful rancho grande in the sky. We love you, Justin.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 9. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home
404 W Buck St.
Caldwell, TX 77836

Funeral Service

JUN 9. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Justin Castaneda*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - June 06, 2025 at 05:45 PM

AV

My condolences, rest in peace Justin. We love you. Love always Amy ❤️

Amy Vega - June 07, 2025 at 12:44 PM

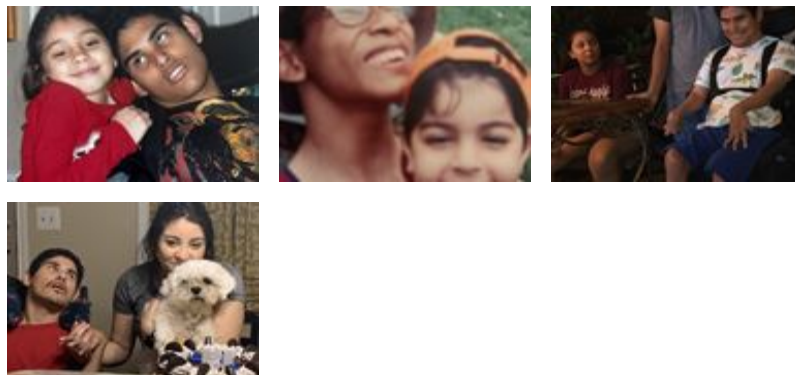
AP

I am deeply sorry that you all have lost your baby brother. My sincere condolences.

April Pinales - June 09, 2025 at 03:28 AM



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Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - June 09, 2025 at 09:23 AM

KC

“ I’m on vacation out of the country and won’t be able to attend the viewing or service. It was an honor for me to work with Justin in physical therapy for many years. I enjoyed our relationship very much. I wish I could have done more for him.

Kirk Chapmsn - June 08, 2025 at 02:02 AM

DS

“ Justin you ran a great race of life until the end. You had such wonderful family who gave you all the love until you took your last breath and may God strengthen your family with his loving care. May they know that they're not all alone in their time of sorrow. Rest in peace my brother. From the David Waters family and my sister, Ollie Collins who took care for you also You will totally be missed but not forgotten.



David Waters Sr. - June 08, 2025 at 12:09 AM

RQ

“ Chango never missed a birthday. He wished me a happy one every single year. I loved him so much... and I still do. Now he’s with Peter, and I know they’re together watching over us. Fly high, my love.



Rona Qawasmeh - June 06, 2025 at 05:11 PM



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Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - June 06, 2025 at 03:35 PM

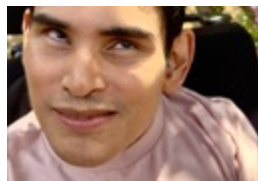
ST

“ Justin was funny. I gave his mom a dog and he was jealous about it and told me to take it away !!

sandra terry - June 05, 2025 at 11:12 PM

NO

“ When I was taking pictures of him for his 38th birthday, this picture shows how cute and mischievous he was. I'll miss his random rants.



Nora - June 05, 2025 at 09:38 PM