

Isaiah 40:31

“But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; They shall mount up with wings as eagles; They shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk and not faint.”

You walked with courage in the quiet hours,
Held faith like a lantern in the dark,
And met each day with a strength that whispered
More deeply than words could ever speak.
Though the Lord has called you gently home,
Your spirit rises—free, unburdened—
On wings only Heaven can give.
You soar now where sorrow cannot follow.
In every soft morning light,
In every calm and tender breeze,
We feel the echo of your presence—
A reminder that love does not end,
It only changes form.
Forever in our hearts,
Forever lifted in God’s peace.



Messenger

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REMEMBERING



Smiley Herrera

July 22, 1985 ~ November 14, 2025

Ismael Smiley Herrera
“Nino”

Smiley brought joy everywhere he went. He had a gift for making his family and friends laugh, and sometimes even a little mad, but always with love at the center of who he was.

He cherished life deeply, and his greatest pride and joy were his faith, his family, and especially his children.

Ismael enjoyed singing, cooking outdoors, and spending time with the people he loved. He was a passionate sports fan, faithfully supporting his Dallas Cowboys, Los Angeles Lakers, and the Oklahoma Sooners, and he admired Kobe Bryant above all.

A true entrepreneur, Ismael mastered many trades throughout his life. His work ranged from being a phone salesman to managing a national recording artist — a testament to his determination, creativity, and drive.

Ismael lived each day guided by his favorite scripture, Philippians 4:13:

“I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.”

He carried this verse in his heart and lived it in the way he loved, encouraged, and lifted others.

Ismael lived boldly, loved deeply, and left a lasting imprint on everyone who had the blessing of knowing him.

He will be remembered for his bright smile, his generous spirit, and the way he lifted others with his presence.

FUNERAL SERVICE

The Christian Center
Thursday, November 20, 2025
1:00 p.m.

OFFICIATING

Pastor Arnold Vasquez

INTERMENT

Fairlawn Cemetery
Chickasha, Oklahoma

CASKET BEARERS ~ Going into Church

Angel Herrera Rozay Martinez
Willie Williams Jose Rodriguez
Kendall Lindsey Victor Crowder

CASKET BEARERS ~ Leaving the Church

Jake Gomez Nathan Enriquez
Austin Rodriguez Carlos Herrera
Joseph Renteria Carlitos Aldaco
Roland Garcia Brandon Soza