



## Jose P. Barillas

December 6, 1967 - July 14, 2021

Jose P. Barillas

Passed away on Wednesday, July 14, 2021 surrounded by his loving family at Morris Hospital, Morris, IL after a courageous battle with Multiple System Atrophy (MSA).

Born in El Salvador the son of Marco and Amanda (nee Rivas) Barillas. Beloved husband of Connie Barillas (nee Meacham); Adored father of Alexandra Barillas and Cristian (Emily Ford) Barillas and cherished step-father of Neil (Melissa) Craig and Kimberly Craig; Proud Papa Jose of Amelia and Adrienne; Dear brother of Francisco (Enid) Barillas, Carlos (Maria) Barillas and Maria (Elmer) Salame; Fond uncle of numerous nieces and nephews and loyal friend to many.

Jose came to the US from El Salvador as a young teen. With his tenacity and strength guiding him he was able to accomplish all that was possible and to be proud of.

He completed his bachelor's and master's degrees in technology and science, graduating summa cum laude with English as his second language. He also continued to enjoy soccer whether he was playing the game or an enthusiastic fan.

But most of all Jose will be remembered as a family man. His love and loyalty to

family and from family were his backbone and strength. He was passionately proud

of his family and lived his role as husband, father, grandfather, son, brother and uncle with relish and pride. And now Jose has yet another role; he made hope possible for

others with his precious gifts of life by donation.

The Barillas-Craig-Meacham family is proud that Jose continues to serve rather than

be defined by his end-of-life disease.

Jose beat MSA by refusing the devastation of it, he never let it affect his good attitude, humor or enjoyment and relish for life. Jose also beat MSA by generously

serving others through his gift of donation to The Gift of Hope Foundation.

Those who receive his gifts can wear them proudly and with honor, as he is honored to

serve them.

Funeral Service for Jose P. Barillas will be held on Saturday, July 17, 2021 at 12:15 PM

at The Maple Funeral Home located at 24300 W Ford Rd, Channahon.

Visitation also

on Saturday from 10:00 AM until time of service. Interment Willard Grove Cemetery,

Channahon, IL. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to [www.multiplesystematrophy.org](http://www.multiplesystematrophy.org)

For information 815. 467-1234 or [www.thefuneralhome.com](http://www.thefuneralhome.com)

# Cemetery Details

**Willard Grove**

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 17. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

The Maple Funeral Home  
24300 West Ford Road  
Channahon, IL 60410  
(815) 467-1234  
info@themaplefuneralhome.com  
<https://www.themaplefuneralhome.com>

# Tribute Wall



“ Jose P. Barillas

January 29, 2023 at 09:53 AM



“ Jose was a good co-worker but, more importantly, a good friend. Thoughts and prayers to his family.

Scott Pector - July 18, 2021 at 02:33 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jose P. Barillas.



July 17, 2021 at 01:20 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Jose P. Barillas.



July 17, 2021 at 12:21 PM

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“ Hi Connie and Barillas family,

*Jose and I worked in the same team for few years. We shared ideas and consulted each other on many matters. Jose was one of the respected friend I had made in my professional life. Sad to hear he passed away. My thoughts and prayers are with you. My deep respects and sympathies. May his soul Rest In Peace.*

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**Mohammed Haseeb** - July 16, 2021 at 10:00 PM



“ Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Jose P. Barillas.



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July 16, 2021 at 09:17 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Jose P. Barillas.



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July 16, 2021 at 07:03 PM

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“ Your friends at NAWCO purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Jose P. Barillas.



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**Your friends at NAWCO** - July 16, 2021 at 06:20 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Jose P. Barillas.*



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July 16, 2021 at 01:28 PM



“ *Jim and Karin Facko purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jose P. Barillas.*



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**Jim and Karin Facko** - July 16, 2021 at 12:25 PM



“ *Praying for comfort for Connie & Family.  
Love, Loula Dunlap*

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**Loula Dunlap** - July 16, 2021 at 11:25 AM



“ *Jose worked for me for a short time and he was an incredible person. Sending thoughts of love and prayers to his family. Condolences. May the joyful memories stay with you.*

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**Dragon Dame** - July 16, 2021 at 09:11 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jose P. Barillas.*



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July 15, 2021 at 11:13 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the Barillas family. We will keep you in our prayers to help you through this difficult time. Don and Anita Ryan*



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**Don and Anita Ryan** - July 15, 2021 at 06:56 PM



“ *Good guy all around. Proud to say he's my brother in law. Love you dearly my sweet brother in law. Rest in heavenly peace in the arms of God.*

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**Linda Meacham Schaffer** - July 15, 2021 at 06:51 PM



“ *Dear Connie and Barillas Family,*

*Our condolences on the passing of Jose.  
Jose had an immense love for his family, and pray that his love will continue to help comfort and heal.  
Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

*With deepest sympathies,  
Vanessa Haro and Family*

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**Vanessa Haro** - July 15, 2021 at 06:13 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Jose P. Barillas.



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July 15, 2021 at 05:38 PM