



## Hayden Joseph Rodrigues

December 5, 1949 - December 30, 2020

Hayden Joseph Rodrigues was born on December 5th, 1949. He was the only child born in Bombay, India(Mumbai), to Violet and John Rodrigues. He was a gift to his mother as they shared the same birthday. He was a devout Catholic and was raised in St Anthony's Catholic Church and school. St. Anthony was also his patron saint. He was married to Yvonne Thelma Rodrigues, and chose to be married on the same wedding day as his parents on October 15, 1977. He and Yvonne were high school sweet hearts at age 16 and celebrated their 43rd anniversary this year.

Hayden was a hard worker who provided for his family. After marriage he worked in Doha, Qatar, and then moved his family to the US. He worked up to three jobs to provide for his family. In 2009 he retired as an accountant from Citi Group.

Hayden was like his father and a lover of music and could play any instrument by ear. He was the life of the party. He was a loving, devout, faithful and irreplaceable father and husband. His mother owned a catering business and like her he had a passion for cooking. He would cook for parties, friends and his loved ones. He was like a father to those around him and gifted with a contagious loving personality that brought people together. He had a heart of gold and would help anyone who needed it. He had faith in God and a love for humanity. Even after death from the tree outside his home, squirrels and birds

are staring into the window waiting for him to feed them. He had a love for life, a love for people and all God's creatures.

He showed his family the world, and traveled to many countries and 6 continents. He made friends and had family all over the world, who will be online saying farewell to the most loving, kind, generous and humble gentleman. He kept in touch and entertained people through Facebook, which many through out the world have expressed their sympathy for our loss.

Hayden will always be known as a kind, God-fearing, true gentleman. He leaves behind his wife Yvonne Thelma and daughter Joann JoJo Rodrigues. He left this earth at 3:36 p.m. on December 30,2020, to be with the Lord. He has left an imprint on the hearts of those he loved that will live for ever.

In lieu of flowers, gifts may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, [www.stjude.org/donate](http://www.stjude.org/donate); or Doberman Rescue of North Texas, [www.dobermanrescue.org](http://www.dobermanrescue.org).

Services: A visitation will begin at 9 a.m. on Saturday, January 9, 2021, with a Rosary at 9:30 a.m. and Mass at 10:00 a.m., all at St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church in Grand Prairie. Interment will follow at Grand Prairie Memorial Gardens.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 9. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Michael The Archangel Catholic Church  
2910 Corn Valley Rd.  
Grand Prairie, TX 75052

## Rosary

JAN 9. 9:30 AM (CT)

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Grand Prairie, TX 75052

## Mass of Christian Burial

JAN 9. 10:00 AM (CT)

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2910 Corn Valley Rd.  
Grand Prairie, TX 75052

## Committal Service

JAN 9. 11:30 AM (CT)

Grand Prairie Memorial Gardens  
3501 S. Belt Line Rd.  
Grand Prairie, TX 75052  
(972) 237-3001

# Tribute Wall



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Hayden Joseph Rodrigues.



January 08, 2021 at 07:39 AM



“ 67 files added to the album Life Tributes



Guerrero - Dean Funeral Home - January 07, 2021 at 06:42 PM

EM

Dearest Thelma & Joann

*“What we have once enjoyed we can never lose. All that we love deeply becomes a part of us. Hayden has left an imprint of his footprints in your hearts. A great soul serves everyone all the time. A great soul never dies. It brings us together again and again.. There are no goodbyes for us, he will always be in our hearts. Like a bird singing in the rain, the great memories are cherished in this difficult time of sorrow. Our thoughts and prayers are with both of you. May he Rest In Peace 🙏 Take care of yourselves. Love Elaine & Carlyle*

Elaine Menezes - January 11, 2021 at 12:11 PM

ED

“ Many good things can be said about Hayden, but the sincere heart he had lighted up so many people who came to know him. I had the opportunity to spend time with Hayden, Thelma and Joann on few occasions that he would invite me to his house for meals that he cooked and he really made me feel at home, me being in the US then away from home and family.  
You will be trully missed my friend...RIP

Elwin D'Silva - January 06, 2021 at 10:29 PM

EB

I've met Hayden through his wife, Thelma, a co-CRHP (Christ Renews His Parish) sister. He was a kind, humble man. May Hayden Rest In Peace. May Thelma and Jojo, daughter find peace and comfort during these difficult times. God bless. 🙏✝️

Eugenia Brents - January 07, 2021 at 05:20 AM

CC

Words really cannot be expressed how much Hayden will be missed by all of us. He was a loving and caring brother-in-law especially close to my husband Caedmon, Thelma's brother. He was a man of few words, had exponential wit and talent for music. Will miss our long telecons, his jokes and his YouTube music videos that he posted knowing well what we would like to listen to. Our Lord needed him in heaven more than anything. I'm sure he will be showering God's grace on all of us especially on his darling wife, Thelma & beloved daughter, Joann that they will be strengthened with courage in their grief. May Our Lord grant Hayden eternal peace. Amen

Charmaine Carvalho - January 11, 2021 at 07:05 AM

LR

“ I have lost a true friend. A friend who gave without counting the cost.

*"Life is real! Life is earnest! And the grave is not its goal; Dust thou art, to dust returnest, Was not spoken of the soul."*

*Henry Wadsworth Longfellow*

*Requiescat in pace my dear friend Haydn.*

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**Lancelot Rozario** - January 06, 2021 at 08:24 PM

JR

“ I as daddies girl. He was my first best friend, and I held on to him and he held on to me. He cherished everything I loved and anything I gave him, like a box of chocolates. When we went to South Africa, I wanted to pet lions & Cheetahs, my father went with me to protect me. He would of gave his life for me, he loved me unconditionally and I have lost the greatest love of my life. He was a great man, he will be missed. I know he made it to heaven, I know he's my angel and I know life with out him is not going to be the same again. I love you dad. This world became cold, it was time for you to be in a better place. I love you.

*RIP Hayden J Rodrigues (1949-2020)*



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**Joann JoJo Rodrigues** - January 06, 2021 at 12:15 PM

YR

*Darling Bunja/Daddy,*

*Words today cannot express my love for you in all the years We were together.. You were my soul mate for the past 53 years .We lived in 3 countries, India-Doha Qatar and U.S.A.. You gave us the best life no matter where God took us.. You did it for us whether it is cooking ,traveling or even helping me . Your work ethics ,kindness, hospitality and never ending love in sickness or health was based on your love for God and that transcend to your family and friends. Your patience, kindness, hard work , hospitality, music ,culinary skill ,hunting and were part of your life. You inherited from your dedicated parents who instilled that Christian love, generosity,hospitality and any help needed in the world.*

*Sickness for 29 years didn't stop you from doing your best till you took your last breath. You have left an imprint on our lives and the lives of other which will be void after you. You suffered in silence , until you took your last breath on 12/30/20. I miss the daily mass .Wednesday Mahim Perpectual succor novenas on Roku. You never missed mass on line mass even if you suffered or were restless.*

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**Yvonne Rodrigues** - January 09, 2021 at 01:02 AM

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*Thank you Lancy, Elwin ,Eugenia and babe for those wonderful comments of a man the world knew best.*

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**Yvonne Rodrigues** - January 09, 2021 at 01:07 AM