



## Felix Humberto Rodriguez Vargas

November 17, 1967 - May 6, 2020

Felix Humberto Rodriguez Vargas, devoted son, uncle and caregiver to his many patients, passed away on Wednesday, May 6, 2020 in Freehold, NJ. He was 52 years old.

Born November 17, 1967 in Mayagüez, Puerto Rico, one of the island's most-treasured and historical cities on the west coast, Felix was the youngest of three children. Shortly after his birth and alongside his mother and two older sisters, Felix would later call Hoboken, NJ his home and graduate as part of Hoboken High School's Class of 1985. He was also a proud alumnus of William Paterson University and an accredited NYU Graduate Student.

In the words of his family and friends, to know Felix was to love him. He embodied a kindhearted nature and strong desire for helping others which inevitably led him to become an impactful social worker for over 25 years at St. Joseph's Hospital in Paterson, NJ. Through his infectious laugh and unfiltered sense of humor to selfless acts of generosity and compassion for others, Felix's spirit was always known to spark life into those around him.

With a "what will be, will be" persona, Felix enjoyably lived on the cusp of spontaneity and yearned to travel as much as possible. He also had a fondness for singing, dancing, cooking and baking. But more importantly, he committed his life to be a proud and doting uncle to his nieces and nephews.

He is survived by his sister, Rosa Elvira Diaz and brother-in-law, George Luis Diaz Jr.; his sister, Annie Grillo and brother-in-law, Robert Grillo; his nieces, Geanna and Alexandria; his nephews, Gabriel and Christian, and a multitude of others who loved him dearly.

A private service will be held at Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals in Old Bridge, NJ in accordance with COVID-19 federal restrictions on public gatherings.

To leave a message of condolence, please visit [www.hegartyscaliafuneralhome.com](http://www.hegartyscaliafuneralhome.com).

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**Carmen Ortiz** - May 18 at 11:33 PM

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“ Carmen Ortiz sent a virtual gift in memory of Felix Humberto Rodriguez Vargas



**Carmen Ortiz** - May 18 at 11:28 PM

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“ Janeth Burgos-Corredor sent a virtual gift in memory of Felix Humberto Rodriguez Vargas



**Janeth Burgos-Corredor** - May 15 at 04:14 AM

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“ Dearest Felix, I was shocked and saddened to hear about your passing! You will always hold a special place in my heart and this earth will be a sadder place without you! I am keeping all of the memories alive in my heart... stopping at various places to eat in Hoboken , your graduation with your MSW and how proud you were!! I hope you are in a wonderful place in heaven and hope we meet up again one day! Love and sympathy to your family.

**barbara kwasnik** - May 13 at 08:31 PM

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“ My deepest and most sincere condolences for your loss. I only met Felix once, but was overwhelmed by his warmth and vibrant personality.

**Halima Norstrud** - May 13 at 06:03 PM

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“ I am deeply saddened to hear about Felix! I will remember him always with a beautiful twinkle in his eyes and a generous smile for everyone. I am so sorry for your loss! May he rest in peace.

**Maureen McElgunn** - May 13 at 05:45 PM

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“ I am sincerely sorry to hear of the passing of Felix. He was not only a colleague at St. Joseph's Hospital, but also a friend. I will remember him as always having a smile on his face and being extremely friendly, welcoming and kind. We would meet up from time to time for coffee or lunch and have meaningful conversations about various topics. He was there for me during a very difficult period in my life and I will forever be grateful for his moral support and guidance. Rest in peace.

**Anthony A. Perez** - May 12 at 09:24 PM

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“ Our dearest Felix, your heart was huge as your spirit was strong. You've left us too soon. Heaven has an angel to watch over all of us. My condolences to your family who miss you terribly as do I. I called you brother, you called me sister. We share/shared a profession of caring for the souls of others. I miss you, love you and will forever hold memories of you in my heart and soul. Rest In Peace my brother. I feel your presence ever near

**Kathleen McNulty** - May 11 at 10:46 PM

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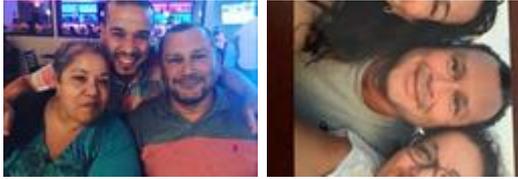
“ My deepest condolences to your family. Felix was a colleague at St Joseph's for over 10 years . He was kind and yet expected his patients to do their part to get better. When the hospital switched to computerized records he came in on Saturdays and Sundays to help me learn a new system. I was a poor student. Felix was kind and expected me to learn despite my excuses. Somehow his perseverance won . I will carry memories of him always. Harold

**Harold Altman** - May 11 at 03:32 PM

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“ I have no words, you left heart prints all over the place. We were partners in crime.... you will never be replace ..... when I see you again.... I am gonna hit you then hug you.....



Janette medina - May 10 at 12:32 PM

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“ Felix, my dear friend and colleague, I am grateful to your family for giving us a person that brought so much laughter, comfort and joy to others. I will always treasure our long drives and great conversations, adventures in the city--especially in search of good seafood, that deep sarcastic belly laugh that ALWAYS meant you had a good story to tell, our work family at the MHC, and serving our patients. There are few people that I have met that are so naturally and unselfishly dedicated to serving others. You have been a role model for us and truly an outstanding human being to have known. God bless you and Thank you.



Daisy Kazan - May 10 at 10:54 AM

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“ Our Dear Felix,  
We can go and on about how much we love you and how much you are already missed and will continue to be missed.  
Thank you for the memories you left behind from going to the pool and pretending you were peeing with the water spout, to filling our fridge and counter with food, taste testing with each other's plates at whichever restaurant we went to, deep conversations at 1 in the morning to waking up to you making us breakfast when we last saw you in March.  
Your infectious laugh will ALWAYS be with us.  
Forever in our hearts  
We love you lots,  
Junior and Tricia



**Junior and Tricia Murray** - May 09 at 11:39 AM

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“ You'll Forever be in my Heart little brother! Even though we did not talk often...when we did we picked up right where we left off and we knew we were true brothers! Rest in Peace my Loving Brother! YOU'LL NEVER BE FORGOTTEN! Love your big Brother Marcial and Familia..



**Your Big Brother!** - May 09 at 10:41 AM

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“ The world's loss is heaven's gain. Felix is one of the best people I ever met. Everyone who ever met him fell in love with him. No one will ever be as funny and caring. I will always have great memories of Sammy's. Thank you for being who you are and always will be.

Sue Simon



**Sue Simon** - May 09 at 10:22 AM

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“ Our deepest and profound sympathies go out to you all.

The Echevarria Family



Stephanie Echevarria - May 08 at 11:00 PM

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“ Dear Felix,

I am heartbroken and in disbelief, I cannot believe you're gone.. We are going miss your smile, laugh, sweetness and your kindness, so much. I will cherish all those wonderful moments we shared together, until we meet again in my heart I'll keep you friend!



Christina Gabriella - May 08 at 10:59 PM

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“ Dearest Fifi, you left our hearts broken into a million pieces. You will always be remembered for your kindness and guidance in my life especially my early years when I migrated here and joined this wonderful family. I will miss you dearly, so long rest peacefully until we meet again. I love you Felix



Chandra Vargas - May 08 at 09:37 PM

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“ My dearest Felix I know that the mark you left is a great one, and because of this you will never be gone in our hearts ! Just to think that we were all together 2 months ago laughing and reminiscing all the good times and making plans for you to come and visit me in North Carolina. But I know in my heart and faith that we will be together someday. I will never forget the fond memories of us as kids. Felix you were the funniest people to be around also you were able to effortlessly make everyone else have a good time. I love you and you will be greatly missed ! Rest In Peace primo !

My deepest condolences go to my cousins that I love soooo much !

Love, Cuchi



Nasthia Carrasquillo Vargas - May 08 at 09:17 PM

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“ Felix.... I am just soo sooo sad. My heart breaks for your family. I know I am still in shock. God must have needed someone to spice things up in Heaven and he chose YOU !! I know you will be watching over your sisters & nieces & nephews & cousins, Titi's and Tio's and everyone in between.....I won't say RIP.... I will say Enjoy your Peace. And btw I will collect on my Gandules!

Hasta luego mi amigo.. Besitos y abrazos  
Janet

Janet Jichetti - May 08 at 08:22 PM

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“ We are so sorry for this tragic loss. Felix was a great person and we will all miss him very much.

Love, Kelly, Rich, Andy, George and Lauren

kelly goldman - May 08 at 06:33 PM

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Esteban Vargas Jr - May 08 at 06:31 PM

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“ To My Dear Cousin

You will be missed!! We Loved!! Then! We Will Love You For The Rest Are Life!! RIP!  
Cuz!

Love You Always  
Pochi



Esteban Vargas Jr - May 08 at 06:18 PM

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“ My memory of Felix is one that I'm sure all that knew him would agree, you always gravitated to him just to be in his circle. You listened to his every word and laughed with his ever sense of humor. Rest in Peace and may you now be everyone's Angel.  
With love, Gina Massaro & Family.

Gina Massaro - May 08 at 06:05 PM

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Ramirez family - May 08 at 05:54 PM