



Jose Victor Hernandez

June 8, 1989 - May 9, 2026

It is with profound sadness that we mourn the unexpected passing of Jose Victor Hernandez on Saturday, May 9, 2026. He was the beloved son of Jose C. and Elena S. Hernandez Jr. Devoted father to his darling daughter, Eleanore “ Ella” Hernandez who he loved immensely. Much loved by the love of his life, his fiancée, Golden Elise Smith. Dear brother of Jose C. III (Kimberly) and Jose Antonio “ Tony”. Cherished uncle of Damjan “Damien”, Brianna, Brian, Isabella “Izzy”, Jorge “Jorgie” and Jax.

Victor Hernandez was a lifelong resident of Chicago Garfield Ridge community. He was an accomplished business man and entrepreneur whose contributions and generosity impacted so many people.

Victor graduated from North Central College in Naperville, Illinois, with a Bachelor of Science in Economics and Finance, and a minor in Mathematics. Following his undergraduate studies, Victor continued his education at North Central College and earned a Master of Business Administration with a concentration in Finance.

He started his professional career in 2010 by working for Chicago Alderman Michael R. Zalewski, eventually working his way up to Aldermanic Aide. Following his tenure with the City of Chicago, Victor worked for Congressman Dan Lipinski in 2012. He began working as the Congressman's Campaign Manager and then became the Director of Special Events. From 2014 to March of 2017, Victor worked as Chief of Staff for Cook County Commissioner, Stanley Moore of the 4th District.

After leaving the public sector, Victor founded and was Principal for Victory Solutions LLC. Victory Solutions provides business development and government consulting services. In addition to Victory Solutions LLC, Victor co-founded a 501(c)(6) not-for-profit organization called Transportation, Rail, Air, Infrastructure, Networking Ltd (T.R.A.I.N.). T.R.A.I.N.'s focus is to become a premier industry trade association promoting growth and cultivating prime contractors through participation in industry activities, advertising, education, lobbying, and by publishing best practices.

Victor was Co-Owner, Chairman, and CEO of Interstate Construction Corp, which is a commercial general contractor operating in the Midwest and West Coast. The company's primary focuses include hospitality, hotels, restaurants, retail, early education and private healthcare.

In 2021 Victor worked as a Senior Benefit (Medicare) Account Executive for GoHealth, Inc. reaching Diamond status as a Top Sales Agent, and currently was at Arthur J. Gallagher & Co.

In 2018, Victor received the Businessman of the Year Award from the Illinois State Crime Commission.

Victor embodied the values of hard work, integrity and compassion. His honesty, loyalty, and devotion earned him the respect and admiration of all who knew him. Victor will be remembered for his warm and engaging sense of humor, his unwavering generosity, and his deep commitment to supporting our service members through his guidance, mentorship, advice, and countless acts of assistance. He was always there when needed, always willing to lend a helping hand, and always made sure that everyone was cared for and supported. His encouragement, compassion, and steadfast dedication left a lasting impact on all who had the privilege of knowing him.

To know Victor was to love him. Victor will be deeply missed, always loved, and forever remembered.

Visitation is Tuesday, May 19, 2026, from 4 PM to 8 PM at Foran Funeral Home, 7300 W. Archer Avenue (55th street just west of Harlem). Family and friends will meet at St. Daniel the Prophet Church on Wednesday morning for

a 10 AM Mass. After mass, we will go in procession from the church to St. Casimir Cemetery where Victor will be laid to rest near his grandfather.

Cemetery Details

St. Casimir Cemetery

4401 W. 111th Street
Chicago, IL 60655

Upcoming Events

Visitation

MAY 19. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Foran Funeral Home - Summit
7300 West Archer Ave
Summit, IL 60501
(708) 458-0208
contactus@foranfuneralhome.com
<https://www.foranfuneralhome.com/>

Mass

MAY 20. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Daniel the Prophet Church
5358 South Nashville
Chicago, IL 60638

Family and friends will meet at St. Daniel the Prophet Church on Wednesday, May 20, 2026 for a 10 AM Mass. Please plan on arriving at the Church by 9:45 AM.

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