



Rudolph "Rudy" Aranda Jr.

August 3, 1958 - February 27, 2026

Rudolph "Rudy" Aranda Jr. passed away unexpectedly on Friday, February 27, 2026. He was the beloved son of Antoinette "Tonia" Aranda and the late Rudolph Aranda Sr.

Rudy was the dear brother of the late Debra Aranda and Diana (Joseph) Avila. He was a loving uncle to Joseph D. Avila and Jacob (Elizabeth Ana) Avila, and a great-uncle to Alexxander and Rocky.

He was also the dear brother of Kenneth (Corrine) Aranda. Rudy was a loving uncle to David (Sarah) Aranda, and a great-uncle to Benjamin, Daniel, and Isabel. He was an loving uncle to Debra (Josh) Ramon, and a great-uncle to Xavier and Sienna. Rudy was also the loving uncle of Kenneth Jr. (Candida) Aranda, and a great-uncle to Azusena, Annemarie, Magdalena, and Adrianna. Rudy began his professional career at Leo Burnett, the renowned Chicago-based global advertising agency. He later worked for Waste Management before continuing his career with U.S. Cellular. In 2012, Rudy relocated from Chicago to Atlanta, Georgia, where he continued his work in technical support. Despite physical challenges throughout his life, Rudy remained dedicated to his work and took great pride in his career.

Throughout his life, Rudy embodied the values of hard work, integrity, and compassion. He faced life's challenges with love, courage, dignity, and pride.

Rudy had a deep love for music and could often be found listening to the

timeless voices of Johnny Mathis and Frank Sinatra. He was also a devoted Chicago Cubs fan and enjoyed cheering on his team whenever he could. One of Rudy's favorite places was Uncle Julio's, where he was such a regular that they could easily have had a table reserved with his name on it.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, March 14, 2026, from 9:00 a.m. until the time of the Celebration of Life service at 11:30 a.m. at Foran Funeral Home, 7300 W. Archer Ave. (55th Street, just west of Harlem). A procession will follow to St. Mary Cemetery, where Rudy will be laid to rest beside his father. Rudy is also lovingly remembered by his extended family, including aunts, uncles, and many cousins, who will cherish his memory.

May he now rest in peace.

Cemetery Details

St. Mary Cemetery

87th Street & Hamlin Avenue
Evergreen Park, IL 60805

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 14. 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

Foran Funeral Home - Summit
7300 West Archer Ave
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Celebration of Life Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Foran Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Rudolph "Rudy" Aranda Jr.



Foran Funeral Home - March 13 at 05:12 PM

FA

“ I sat next to Rudy for the last couple of years. We both had spent some time working in Chicago and we would talk about our time there. He was a friendly man and I enjoyed working next to him. Very sorry about your loss.

Fredrik Andersson - March 17 at 12:05 PM

LI

“ Sending my deepest condolences to your family during this very difficult time. I had the honor of working with Rudy at AT&T for years, he was always willing to help me with a smile every time. Rudy had a genuine heart who kept a smile on his face every time you greeted him. You will be missed, Rest in Paradise co-worker.

lita - March 14 at 08:34 AM



“ 67 files added to the album LifeTributes



Foran Funeral Home - March 13 at 04:56 PM

AD

“ Sending my condolences to Rudy's family. Sorry for your loss. Sending up prayers. Rudy's and I worked together and worked the same shift at night. It was him and I. Rudy's will be greatly missed. Rest in Peace.

Audrey Dawson - March 13 at 12:09 PM

DA

“ Rest in heaven buddy, thanks for everything you helped me with. :)

David - March 13 at 08:29 AM

AT

“ AT&T NFSD TEAM planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rudolph "Rudy" Aranda Jr..

AT&T NFSD TEAM - March 13 at 07:59 AM

AT

“ AT&T NFSD TEAM purchased the Sacred Duty S pray for the family of Rudolph "Rudy" Aranda Jr..



AT&T NFSD TEAM - March 13 at 07:59 AM

TI

“ I met Rudy at work. When I saw Rudy I always referred to him as Sir because he was a brave man with integrity. When I would leave the building to make my way home I would tap him on the shoulder and say “have a good night Sir” he would respond “you do the same Sir” I admired his courage and his positive look on life. “Thankyou for your kindness Sir” you were a gentleman and a warrior.

Timothy - March 13 at 07:42 AM

SN

“ Thoughts and prayers to Rudy's family. I worked with Rudy for several years at ATT. I last communicated with Rudy in January, and he was telling me he planned to go home in June for his mom's 90th birthday. I have lots of great memories with Rudy. He and I worked an early morning Saturday shift together, and I would stop and pick up chicken biscuits for us. He would wait in the parking garage, and we would walk in together. Safety in numbers he would say. If I was running late, driving in from the country, he would txt me and tell me to get a move on, Elly May! Rest in peace and walk easy now, my friend. - Stacey Nix

Stacey Nix - March 12 at 04:35 PM

GJ

“ *My deepest sympathies for the Aranda family during these difficult times.*

I moved to Atlanta with Rudy for the AT&T job. Rudy and I had to explore our new neighborhood together and those were some of the most interesting times in my life! Rudy was a good friend and full of laughs speaking with him, those precious moments will be missed. I'll never forget him telling me his life story, details and all... He was a man of self-determination and integrity. I am grateful to have crossed paths with Rudy, may he rest peacefully. You are missed good buddy!

~Greg Joza

Greg Joza - March 12 at 03:38 PM

CH

“ *Rest in Heaven Rudy.....you will be truly missed.*



Chanda - March 12 at 02:04 PM