



Orlando "Orrie" Vela

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Mr. Orlando "Orrie" Vela, age 49, passed away Saturday, September 28, 2013. He was born on May 22, 1964 to Arturo S. and Isaura "Sue" (Ruiz) Vela. Orlando was a caring man and always enjoyed giving back to the community. During his lifetime Orlando was a successful entrepreneur in the following businesses Orrie's Automotive, Westshore Quality Car Wash, Nico's Pizza, and Optimise Transportation. He was also involved with Big Brothers Big Sisters; volunteered at DeVos Children's Hospital, and was a part of Easter Seals. Orlando loved spending time with his family, attending his children's sporting events, culinary cooking, fishing and motorcycles. He was also a member of the Muskegon Eagles and the Mona Lake Boat Club. On July 5, 1997 Orlando married Lisa Patino and she survives him along with 3 children, Aubrie, Nico and Saddle; father, Arturo (Rosalinda) Vela; brothers, Art Vela, David Vela and Darrell Vela; sisters, Mabel Guevara, Maria (Pierre) Grenier, Anna (Mike Gibson) Ryan and Elsa Vela; mother-in-law, Georgia Strube, brothers-in-law, Chuck (Lucy) Patino and Randy (Vicki) Patino; and sister-in-law, Rita (Tom) Dubault. Orlando also leaves behind many nieces and nephews and close friends. He was preceded in death by his mother, brothers-in-law, Ray Patino III and Edward Alexander and niece, Debra Ann Santos. FUNERAL SERVICES will be held 11:00 AM Thursday, October 3, 2013 at The Lee Chapel 6291 S. Harvey St. 231-798-1100 with Rev. Fr. Matthew Barnum presiding. VISITATION with the family will be 2-4 and 6-8 PM on Wednesday. MEMORIALS to DeVos Children's Hospital would be appreciated. BURIAL will take place at St. Mary's Cemetery.





Events

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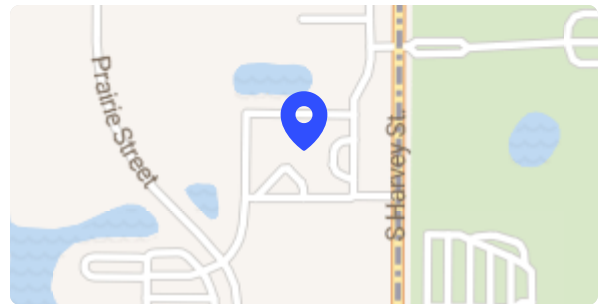
Visitation

 **Wednesday**, October 2, 2013

 2:00 AM - 4:00 PM ET

 **Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services - The Lee Chapel**

6291 Harvey St., Norton Shores MI 49444



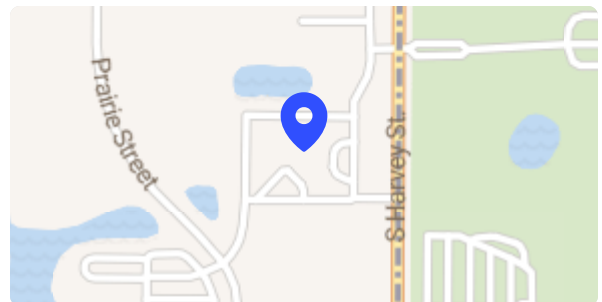
Visitation

 **Wednesday**, October 2, 2013

 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM ET


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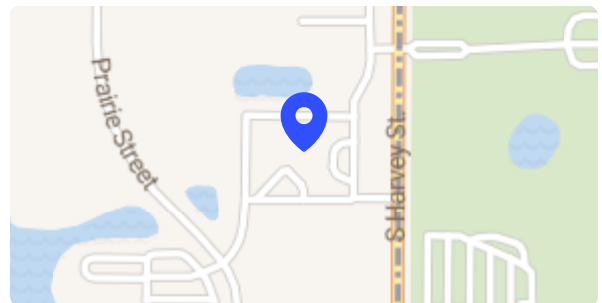
Funeral Service

 **Thursday**, October 3, 2013

 11:00 AM ET

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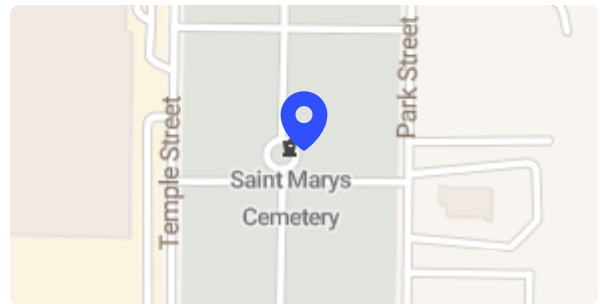
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Cemetery Details



St. Mary's Cemetery

1915 Park St., Muskegon MI 49441





Tribute Wall

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Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services shared a **Tribute Video**.



September 27 at 8:00 PM



Mabel Guevara posted:

Aubrie, Saddle and Nico your dad is very proud of all three of you and he had the deepest love for you. He wants you to be happy , right now ,it may seem impossible but time will heal the pain you are feeling. And along the way with your happiest there will be trial and error and lessons learned and broken hearts , but remember to ask for God's guidance and have faith when you don't understand. When your dad and I visited the conversation usually was surrounded around you. Be responsible and take initiative that is all he wanted you to learn and the rest will fall into place. I am here just reach out to me .Love you all , Aunt MabelP.S. I am very proud of your dad and his appreciation for life . He also endured, along the way , trial and error , lessons learned and a broken heart but he lived life to the fullest with gusto!David Parker (below) said it clearly the world will never know another Orrie !

October 6 at 6:15 AM



Palmira R. Carrier posted:

My cousin and I come a long ways...and have so much to say, but one thing I can say that I know he really enjoyed having with me late at night since I lived just next door was> church's chicken gizzards!!! ;) he so loved them and had a funny conversation to go along with it! Will always miss you cousin! Love you, Palmira! <>

October 5 at 4:05 PM



Greg Wilkinson posted:

Orrie will be fondly remembered.... Even tho I knew him only a few short years I truly enjoyed his friendship... Thanks... God Bless You Lisa and Family... This is a very tough time and with great friends and family and strong faith you will overcome...God Bless Greg Wilkinson

October 5 at 6:43 AM



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KB

Kristi Bradford posted:

My deepest sympathy goes out to the Vela family. I enjoyed working with Orrie when he had the repair facility. Please find peace in knowing Orrie touched so many lives.

October 4 at 9:08 AM

DP

David Parker posted:

The world will never know another Orrie...R.I. P.Parker

October 3 at 3:12 PM



Lindsay Batka posted:

Orrie you will be missed. Thoughts and prayers for the Vela family.

October 3 at 1:40 PM

JE

John & Pam Espinoza lit a candle in honor of Orlando .

Our deepest sympathy to all the family.

October 3 at 12:35 PM



PG

Paula, Ashley, Zachary Goldsborough lit a candle in honor of Orlando .

October 3 at 9:48 AM



KB

Kirk Burmeister posted:

Orrie, I had the privilege of having you as a friend. You have supported so many people, and causes. I will miss you. God Bless you. Kirk Burmeister

October 3 at 5:22 AM



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PC

Pam Cmejrek posted:

You are in our thoughts and prayers during this very difficult time! May all your wonderful family and friends help to comfort.Pmejrek and Ron Isham

October 2 at 12:16 PM

DS

Donati Fleet Service sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Vela family.



October 2 at 7:21 AM

GN

Greg & Nel Nelson posted:

Altho we can't truely feel the hurt and loss you are all experiencing, what we feel for you all is such deep sadness words cannot express. Your strong faith In God, your loving family and friends will be with you through this. Know that God shared with you a most incredible man to be part of your lives. Treasure every memory, for know one can take those away. We will forever think of Orrie with a Smile. God Bless you allUncle Greg & Aunt Nel

October 2 at 4:43 AM

WC

Wicked Chrome Canadian Chapter posted:

Our deepest sympathies and heartfelt pain. Wishing the family and friends all the best.Wicked Chrome Canadian Chapter (Brother's and Sister's of Tell Sacket)

October 1 at 8:22 PM

NK

Nancy Kubon lit a candle in honor of Orlando .

To Lisa & family, Georgia & family-- What a shock. We are so very, very sorry for your loss & you have our deepest sympathy & friendship at this very sad, difficult time. We have so many good memories of Orrie & Ray at Landmark with our good friends Mary & Ron, Ross Jibson (passed), Dave Vandenbosch, Marty Klopp, Art & Dave Vela.....Orrie, Ray & Ross, all gone too soon & what a great loss to all of their families & friends. Please find comfort in your memories with Orrie, he will truly be missed ;(God BlessNancy KubonCheryl & Rick Hancock



October 1 at 3:25 PM



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RH

Renaë Hesselink posted:

Mabel and family - I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your brother and family member. So hard especially when unexpected. Cherish all of the memories, it sounds like Orlando was an awesome brother, son, husband and father. My thoughts are with you all.

October 1 at 3:16 PM

NG

Nancy Guardiola lit a candle in honor of Orlando .



October 1 at 2:33 PM

AC

Anna Crockett posted:

Lisa, I know the deep hurt of losing a loved one but be assured that the Lord is near even during this time of sorrow. You are in are prayers. Anna Crockett

October 1 at 1:15 PM

JF

Jackie Fraser lit a candle in honor of Orlando .

My sincere sympathy to my dear friend Mabel, all Orrie's siblings, and family. I'm certain this will be a very difficult time for you all. Peace be yours.

October 1 at 12:55 PM



JV

Jeff Vorgias posted:

I knew Orlando "Orrie" for over 20 years. He was a very good friend. We had a lot of fun, crazy times, but even more than that he was a buddy that would always be there for you through good and bad and I tried to do the same. In other words his friendship ran deeper than just what meets the surface. He was a very good man and he will be missed for sure! My deepest condolences to Lisa, the kids, and the entire Vela and Patino families. If there is anything that I could ever do for any of you please just let me know. From my heart, Jeff Vorgias

October 1 at 12:40 PM



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NG

Nicole George lit a candle in honor of Orlando .

Deepest Sympathy to the Entire Family.....you are in our thoughts and prayers.Justin Lamoreaux and Nikki George

October 1 at 11:26 AM



ME

Mike & Marlene Earnest posted:

Lisa & Family Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers. Mike & Marlene Earnest

October 1 at 11:12 AM

LA

Lisa Ayala lit a candle in honor of Orlando .

October 1 at 7:37 AM



DD

Debby Delhoyo posted:

Orlando was well liked by many people, it seems like once you have met him you don't forget him, with his outgoing personality, and his laugh.He will be missed. Many years ago I gave birth to Nico, what an awesome gift he is,Thank you God. Without Orlando, I wouldn't have Nico, I am so proud of you Nico. You are so wise, God, yourself, and my many years of praying to Him, has given you that. I'm glad Lisa, Aubrie and Saddle have you there for support. God planted in you the ability to be strong and compassionate. You have helped both of your families get through some really hard times, and all of us love you so much. Our sympathy goes out to all of you, and we are here if there is anything we can help any of you with. We will continue to pray for everyone who knew and loved Orlando. Praying that peace and strength is there and growing everyday. Love, Debby and Fabian DelHoyo

October 1 at 6:53 AM



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JL

Joe Loera posted:

Orrie was not only a true friend I considered him my brother. Every time I seen him out he told the bartender my money was no good. This was a sad day for me when I heard he past away. My heart goes out to the Vela family and the Patino family. Me and him and Rey used to have double shots contest of Cuervo. I know you and Ray are having a blast in heaven. I remember everybody got together and painted your moms house. Rest in peace brother. Sorry Lisa, I pray for you and your kids. If you guys need anything please call me

October 1 at 6:24 AM



Joe Loera October 1 at 6:25 AM
Joe Loera

SA

Shawn Andree lit a candle in honor of Orlando .



October 1 at 6:02 AM

PE

Paul Erpenbeck posted:

What can I possibly say? Orrie was one of my closest friends for almost 30 years.....he lived a great big life...full of fun & laughter...a little mischeif at times...but he had a big huge personality that got him through tough times...and made good times even better....he was a great husband & father....and always tried to be a good provider for his family....I wss always amazed at his resilience and positive outlook on life....we will miss him very very much...life goes on...but it will never be the same....

October 1 at 5:29 AM

SU

Sue posted:

Lisa, Aubrie, Nico & Saddie...please know that the entire Peterson family is right around the corner if you need anything at all. Sending hugs and prayers...Sue, Kyle, JP & Ryan

October 1 at 4:26 AM

SD

Susan Degen posted:

My prayers go out for the family. Everyone loved Orrie. He will be missed. Sue Degen

October 1 at 3:26 AM



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GH

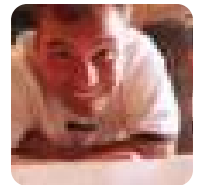
Gerald Harriman posted:

Lisa, Aubrey, Saddle and Nico- I was very saddened to hear of Orlando's passing; I am so sorry. I remember Orrie as a man full of life and adventure, but also loved his family very much, and was very proud of them, and wished to provide for them. You will miss him deeply. May the Lord give you comfort and peace as a way of showing His love to you, amidst this stormy time in your life. thoughts and prayers are with you, Dr Harriman.

October 1 at 2:32 AM

AU

Aubrie shared an album called **daddy**.



September 30 at 10:21 PM

JC

Javier Cardenas posted:

We lived next door to the Velas on Continental street. He and I shared a paper route and were in Cub Scouts together. I recall he had a spirited nature. Hugs, prayers, and condolences to all the Vela family.

September 30 at 8:29 PM

MR

Marjorie Huffman Rewalt lit a candle in honor of Orlando .



September 30 at 7:01 PM

MR **Marjorie Huffman Rewalt** September 30 at 7:04 PM

I am Renee' Tice's mother. I knew Orrie through Renee working for him. I always knew him to be a kind and caring man. He was so sweet to Renee when my husband-her father passed 3 years ago. I light this candle in honor of him because it was an honor to have known him



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Vicky L Blackmore lit a candle in honor of Orlando .



September 30 at 5:18 PM



Vicky L Blackmore September 30 at 5:20 PM

Lisa and Family, May this Candle always burn bright for you. I'm so very sorry for you loss, there are no words that I can express to tell you How badly I feel for your loss. May the power of prayer Heal you and your Family Members and many friends who loved Orrie.



Brian Inglat posted:

To Lisa and Family,I could type till I'm blue in the face the many things Orrie did for us in letting me use floor space in his store to sell product, lending his lift truck, coolers for graduation parties or just always being there to lift my spirits up during tough times etc. etc.. When I spoke to him a week ago his first question was how is my wife's health doing. In other words he was a very generous, caring just all around great guy to be around. I consider it a true gift to have known and be a friend of his!! One of my fond memories will be when he asked me to play Santa for his kids:). Between Christmas parties to cookouts in his back yard he always made us feel welcome. We are truly sorry for your loss.Brian and Sally Inglat

September 30 at 5:17 PM



Lisa posted:

Dear Vela Family and Friends,I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your dear loved one. Please accept my sincere condolences. I too have lost several loved ones in death, and the pain is tremendous, even with the passage of time. Thankfully, I have found relief in knowing that "The Most High God" is the "Hearer of Prayer", and a source of tremendous comfort in times of grief and distress according to Psalms 83:18,and Psalms 65:2. Please be assured , death will soon be "swallowed up forever" and we will have the opportunity to see our dead loved ones again, as promised at John 5:28.29 and Isaiah 25:8. My family and I wish you and yours peace.

September 30 at 5:14 PM



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PI

Patrick Irish lit a candle in honor of Orlando .

I had the pleasure of working for Orrie and with him in his trucking business, Doing what I could to help out. Orrie was someone who treated his employees with the utmost respect and was a great spirit. I know many of his friends will miss him and his smile a great deal. Rest in Peace my friend.. You will not be forgotten... To the Family I would also like to send my most sincere condolences, it is never easy to loose a father and husband. But you can take comfort in the knowledge that Orrie memories and spirit will always be a part of your lives.



September 30 at 5:05 PM

LK

Lynn Knowles posted:

Know that many thoughts and prayers are with your family during this unbearably sad time. Orrie was such a nice, friendly, generous man! He will be missed by many. May your memories give you some peace and comfort. Lynn Knowles

September 30 at 4:04 PM

HH

Holly Hawkins Hundersmarck posted:

I'd known Orrie since I was a little girl. He and Lisa have been very good friends to my mom and dad. I had the pleasure of babysitting his children when they were very small and being his tenant. He was the kind of person that made his presence known. You couldn't walk into even a crowded room and not know he was there. After not seeing him for quite some time, he surprised me last week at the store. He asked about my mom and dad, my husband, my daughter and my pregnancy, gave me and hug and kiss and told me to take care of myself. God works in mysterious ways. I want to wish Lisa, the children, Art, Dave and the rest of his family all they comfort that they can possibly find.

September 30 at 3:49 PM



Anonymous sent a Cheryl's Sympathy Bundle to the Vela family.



September 30 at 2:11 PM



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AS

Ann Singleton lit a candle in honor of Orlando .

September 30 at 1:35 PM



DR

Dee And Chris Robbins lit a candle in honor of Orlando .

September 30 at 1:02 PM



CL

Connie Lafrance posted:

To Lisa and Family I am very saddened by the loss of Orrie. You and your children are in my thoughts. He was a joy to be around. I met him thru Ron and Mary and Theresa. I still grin when I think of the time we were all in Las Vegas and the Earthquake hit. I laugh to think of him talking to TV 13 downstairs at the casino and telling them that he called his wife to tell her he was just going to Let it Ride. Those are one of the good memories of him that will carry us thru these sad days. His friendship and his great sense of humor will live on in all of our hearts that knew and loved him. To Orrie: You will be missed!!

September 30 at 12:56 PM

JD

Joni Douglas lit a candle in honor of Orlando .

Lisa and Family, I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with your entire family. May God bring you comfort in the difficult days ahead.

September 30 at 12:31 PM



HK

Heather King lit a candle in honor of Orlando .

Orlando will be missed! He was a great person, always so nice to me whenever he came in to the bank!! Thoughts and prayers going out to the whole family!

September 30 at 11:54 AM





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Jana Quinn lit a candle in honor of Orlando .

Lisa and family Please take some comfort knowing that all your friends prayers are surrounding you during this time of sorrow. My deepest sympathies. Janis and Daniel Quinn

September 30 at 11:51 AM



Catherine Swiatek posted:

Orrie, this world will truly miss you. It sounds like you were just as kind, caring & a good soul to everyone else you came in contact with, too. Wishing you much love & all the good things you so deserve in your next adventure and keeping your friends and family in my thoughts & prayers and wishing them peace & comfort in the coming days. It was an honor knowing you, my friend...

September 30 at 11:29 AM



Sue Oklad lit a candle in honor of Orlando .

So very sorry for your loss. Your family is in our thoughts and prayers. He will never be forgotten Sue & Randy Oklad

September 30 at 11:27 AM



Bill & Kim Kalinowski lit a candle in honor of Orlando .

Will miss you Orrie:(Bill & Kim Kalinowski May your soul rest in peace.

September 30 at 11:22 AM



Barb Sliwinski & Rick Zuber lit a candle in honor of Orlando .

September 30 at 11:16 AM



BS **Barb Sliwinski** September 30 at 11:27 AM

Lisa and children, You are so loved and in our thoughts and prayers in this very difficult time.



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CP

Cheryle Page posted:

Deepest Sympathy to the Entire Family my thoughts and prayers are for all of you at this very difficult time! Love Cheryle Page

September 30 at 11:04 AM

AF

Amy Wescott Fisher lit a candle in honor of Orlando .



September 30 at 10:57 AM

BW

Bill & Kris Matuz Wesley lit a candle in honor of Orlando .



September 30 at 10:53 AM

BR

Brian posted:

Lisa so very sorry, know you our in our thought's and prayer's. Brian & Sheila Jimerson

September 30 at 10:45 AM

BJ

Brian & Sheila Jimerson lit a candle in honor of Orlando .



September 30 at 10:43 AM

TS

Tammy Slater posted:

I am so sorry for your loss we have lost way to many good people Orie was always full of life he will be missed by many.your in my thoughts and prayersTammy Slater

September 30 at 10:39 AM



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TS

Tammy Slater lit a candle in honor of Orlando .



September 30 at 10:36 AM

KV

Kindra Vilneff posted:

Saddie and Family, We are thinking of you and sending love and prayers. Mark, Kindra, Jordyn and Ashtyn Vilneff

September 30 at 10:10 AM

LK

Lisa Kling posted:

I will be keeping your family in my thoughts and send you love and light.

September 30 at 9:20 AM

TJ

Teresa Peters Jahn posted:

Scott & I are truly sorry about the unexpected passing of Orrie. Our condolences to the Entire Families. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. God has a new Angel in Heaven looking out for the family. Love, Scott & Teresa Jahn

September 30 at 9:00 AM

LW

Lynn Burgess Woodard September 30 at 6:33 PM

I haven't seen Orrie in many years, and am deeply saddened at his passing. I can close my eyes and see him and Ray walking in the back door at the Landmark and hear his cheerful "hey lynn timer how ya doing?" He always had a smile and an easy going way about him. He will be truly missed by many.



Media

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Aubrie shared a photo to the **daddy** album.

September 30 at 10:21 PM





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