



# Rafael Ortega Melendez

April 11, 1940 - May 21, 2024

Rafael Ortega Melendez, age 84, of Buford, GA, passed away on Tuesday, May 21, 2024. Mr. Melendez is survived by his children, Leslie Kravitz of Rockwall TX, David Ortega of Naples, FL; five grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Mr. Melendez was born April 11, 1940 in Puerto Rico. He is a veteran of the U. S. Army having served in Vietnam. He was the owner of Hispanic Festival in Atlanta, GA. Mr. Melendez is a graduate of the University of San Juan, Puerto Rico with a Bachelors Degree. He has lived in the United States for over 60 years.

No Service is planned at this time.

# Tribute Wall

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“*Mr. Ortega, I wish I had not found this. But something told me to search again for you. You are loved immensely and the Atlanta community suffers a great loss without you here. I have amazing memories of you over the years that will live on in my heart. May God bless your family, and I pray that you know how much you are missed. Cheers to the Peachtree Latino Festival! Through your hard work, your legacy lives on.*

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