



Luis Alberto Sierra

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Luis Alberto Sierra, 85, passed into eternal peace on December 30, 2025. He had resided with his wife, daughter and son-in-law in Temple Terrace, Florida.

Luis was born on June 19, 1940, in Lima, Peru, to Marina Velasquez and Augusto Sierra. Primarily raised by his mother, he began working after school at age eleven to help meet their household needs. Luis remained steadfast in his role as a family provider for the rest of his life. Known as “Lucho” to his childhood friends, he was thrilled by both Peruvian and American popular music of the 1950s. He also greatly enjoyed his country’s exceptional cuisine. Luis immigrated to the United States in 1964 in search of job opportunities and was soon drafted to serve in the Vietnam War. Once the wartime situation became clear, he found strength in bonding with his fellow soldiers and using his military pay to complete construction of his mother’s house.

On May 1, 1969, Luis married Edith Pacheco of Montevideo, Uruguay; they went on to gain U.S. citizenship and raise their three children in New York City. He embraced Edith’s large extended family and encouraged her to take long trips to her home country, while he stayed and cared for the kids. Luis stressed the importance of education but also freedom for his children. He often worked overtime to fund their scholastic and artistic pursuits. Throughout his life, Luis befriended and assisted individuals from a wide diversity of backgrounds, teaching his children to be culturally curious and to open their hearts to others.

After the national upheavals of the early 1970’s, Luis searched for job stability and found it in the food manufacturing industry. He remained a member of the Bakery, Confectionery and Tobacco Workers International Union for twenty-two years until a plant layoff in 1996. He then sought a courier job through the New York City Department for the Aging that allowed him to walk downtown Manhattan each day. His exposure to banking firms inspired him to learn about long-term investing, always with the goal of helping his children.

Luis cherished his adopted home of New York City and shared his enthusiasm for ethnic restaurants, foreign films and walks in the park. He improved his English by reading the New



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York Times; learned the game of baseball, becoming an ardent fan of the New York Mets; and enjoyed swimming at local beaches, pools, and water parks. His family life was full of fun times as well as moments of deep, philosophical reflection. Without a doubt, Luis' greatest passion was dancing. He most enjoyed the rhythms of tropical tunes; Motown sounds; and Peruvian vales and cumbias. Luis never lost his ties to his homeland, and he traveled back to Peru as often as he could.

Luis was a devoted son, husband and father who was deeply loved by his family and will be missed by all who got to know his kind and generous nature. His family takes comfort in knowing that he is reunited in Heaven with his beloved mother, Marina.

Luis is survived by his wife, Edith Sierra; daughter Laura Sierra and her husband Bryan King; sons Mario Sierra and Daniel Sierra, and their wives, Amanda McConathy and Jean-Marie Sierra; two grandchildren, Alessandro Sierra and Gaia Sierra; and four half-siblings Hugo Sierra, Iris Coz, Marva Sierra and Oscar Sierra.

A visitation will be held on Friday, January 9 from 11am-12pm at Boza & Roel Funeral Home in Tampa. A service celebrating Luis Alberto Sierra's life will follow at noon, with a reception for family and friends immediately afterward.

Below is the link to the livestream that will start Friday 1/9/2026:

[https://www.hdezwebcast.com/show/luis-alberto-sierra?
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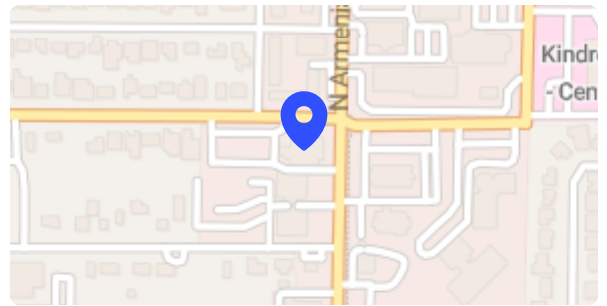
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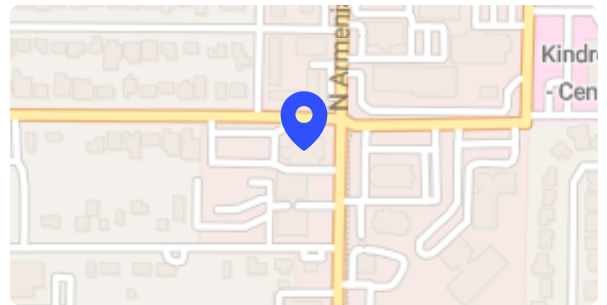
Visitation

- Friday**, January 9, 2026
- 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM ET
- Boza & Roel Funeral Home**
4730 North Armenia Avenue, Tampa FL 33603



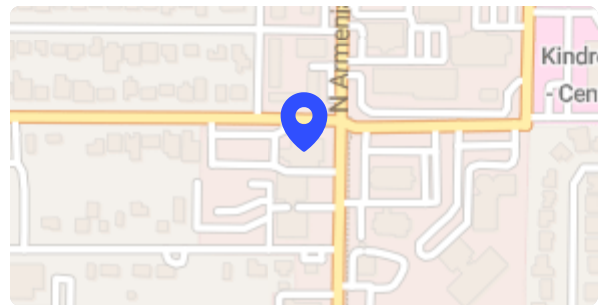
Funeral Service

- Friday**, January 9, 2026
- 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM ET
- Boza & Roel Funeral Home**
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Reception

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Tribute Wall

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Boza & Roel Funeral Home shared a **Video**.



January 8 at 6:12 PM



Maria Yaipen lit a candle in honor of Luis.

Expreso mis sinceras y sentidas condolencias a la familia del tío Luis Alberto Sierra (esposa, hijos, nietos, hermanos) y familia que están presentes en esta ceremonia de velación. Desde Lima Perú Familia Yaipén Bocanegra



January 9 at 12:23 PM

L **Laura Sierra** January 18 at 12:22 PM

A la Familia Yaipén Bocanegra, muchas gracias por recordar a Luis en este tiempo triste. Espero que un día nos podamos reunir en la tierra de nuestro padre. Les deseamos muchas bendiciones y mandamos un gran abrazo.



Maria Yaipen lit a candle in honor of Luis.

Maria Yaipen lit a candle in memory of Luis Sierra



January 9 at 12:19 PM



Larry Torres & Family sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Sierra family.



January 8 at 1:43 AM

L **Laura Sierra** January 18 at 12:10 PM

To Uncle Larry & the Torres Family, we are so touched that you remembered Luis despite the many years and miles of distance. The old family photos are a testament to the bonds among our Peruvian families. The Sierras send you all our warmest wishes.



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Steven, Danna, And Elizabeth sent a Sacred Duty Spray to the Sierra family.



January 7 at 9:25 PM



Laura Sierra January 18 at 12:02 PM

To the Giannini Family, thank you so much for your deeply moving tribute and flowers. We are thinking about all of the fathers and uncles up in Heaven, who cared for us and gave us wonderful childhood memories. Many blessings to you all.



Steven Giannini posted:

I have many fond memories of my Uncle Luis. He was always very welcoming to my family and me. I can still remember enjoying music and movies, driving around, eating pizza and visiting amusement parks with him as a child. I had the pleasure of visiting a salsa club with him in NYC as well as travelling with him to his homeland of Peru. Later as adults, I knew him and appreciated him when we had a meal, a drink, and/or a smoke together and had good conversations. This man served the country and was hard working and dedicated to his family. He raised three wonderful people in his children. I am sorry that his life became more difficult toward the end due to illness. He was fortunate to have Aunt Edith and his family to assist him as well as the Veteran's hospice in the end stage. It was a joy having him as an uncle and knowing him. He will always be remembered as a dear family member. Rest in Peace Tio. See you on the other side. Love Steven Frank Giannini (nephew)

January 7 at 2:17 PM



Mario Sierra shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

The best Dad when it came to putting a smile on your face. He loved to joke, his specialty was his famous one-liners. He had a great smile, too.-Mario Alberto Sierra (loving son)



December 31 at 5:34 PM



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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Luis by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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