

Joseph R. Zulaica, 53, of San Antonio, Texas, went to be with his Creator on Wednesday, December 29th, 2021. Joseph was born to Jose Zulaica. and Maria Guadalupe De Los Santos in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on February 24, 1968.

After graduating from Lanier High School in San Antonio, he joined the US Navy October 1st, 1985, as a Corpsman and worked at the Naval Hospital in Newport, Rhode Island. His time there left a lasting impression and helped manifest his desire to help others by becoming a part a team in the medical profession, as well as brought friendships that lasted his lifetime.

He returned to San Antonio and began a family of his own; 2 beautiful daughters, Abigail and Lauren with Barbara Valdez. Due to his dedication to his family, he became employed at Southwest General Hospital, Santa Rosa Northwest, NIX Downtown San Antonio, and Downtown Baptist Medical Center.

His chosen career was more than just a job, it was a passion. Putting patients' care first was what he loved. For his co-workers, there could never be enough silly faces, bad near distasteful jokes, or hardy laughs he could share with anyone who looked to need to release from the daily pressures of working in a hospital O.R.

Between his beloved family and work/ work- family, his additional family included many from Indy Wrestling, starting with PWI. A true passion he had beginning as a youth from watching televised matches. Many late cold nights in warehouses and hot outdoor summer San Antonio nights with his children, grandchildren, and wife were spent watching The Boys work their magic in the wrestling rings. He was known

to be a top trash talker- heckler / supporter at the matches of his “brothers”. Always wanting to make the shows as fun as possible, even if it included set up and removal of the ring itself! Happy was always willing to help and just touch the hem of those who did what he loved to watch. Being part of The Boys is what made him what he was known as, Happy.

There are many hearts he touched, and he too was moved by others. He was selfless in many ways. Always wanting the best for others and happiness for those he loved. He loved us greatly and so much so that the lines for immediate family vs. work family vs. his Boys were very blurred.

Though his bright light of happiness has now dimmed, he will forever be a light in our hearts!

Joseph is survived by his wife, Amanda Zulaica, His daughters, Abby and Lauren, His beloved grandchildren, Phoenix, Haylie, Jasmyne, and Zachariah. Numerous cousins, nieces and nephews. Co-workers, Indy wrestlers and fans alike.

Memorial Services will be held Friday, January 7th, 2022, at 10 a.m. to 2 pm at the Baptist Temple Church, 901 E. Drexel Ave, San Antonio, Texas.

The Zulaica Family ask that you please join us to share the best memories of Joseph. And because we all can hear him joke in his voice over the joy of creating a super spreader event in his honor, we ask you please wear a mask. Thank You.

