



Benjamin Rodriguez

February 21, 2026

Benjamin "Ben" Rodriguez passed away surrounded by the love of his family, leaving behind a legacy carried in the hearts of all who knew him.

Born in Mayaguez, Puerto Rico, to Hortencia and Manuel Rodriguez, Ben later made his home in Brooklyn before enjoying retirement in Staten Island. A proud veteran of the United States Army, he served his country with honor before dedicating many years to the MTA, beginning as a conductor and later working as a flagman.

For 56 years, he was the devoted husband to Sandra. Together they built a life rooted in commitment, resilience, and enduring love. He was a father to Benjamin Jr. (predeceased), Christopher (predeceased),

Christian (Alicia), and Bryan Rodriguez. He was a beloved Pop Pop to Marcello (Melissa) and a cherished grandfather figure to Xander. He was also a loving brother to Louis, Sigfrido, and Miriam, and a treasured uncle to many nieces and nephews.

Ben was known for his loving presence, his warm welcome, and his genuine laugh that filled a room. He loved the New York Mets, found joy in Latin music, and could glide across a dance floor with effortless rhythm. His home was always open - a place where family and friends gathered, celebrated, and felt

embraced.

He will be remembered not only for what he did, but for how he made people feel: steady, safe, and deeply loved.

Cemetery Details

Long Island National Cemetery

2040 Wellwood Ave
Farmingdale, NY 11735

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 1. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals, Inc.
28 Eltingville Blvd
Staten Island, NY 10312

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Service

MAR 2. 9:45 AM (ET)

St Clare Church
110 Nelson Ave
Staten Island, NY 10308

Tribute Wall

LK

“ Love Cesar & Kristine planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Benjamin Rodriguez.

Love Cesar & Kristine - March 01 at 10:53 AM

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“ Love Cesar & Kristine purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Benjamin Rodriguez.



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“ The Corcoran and Porfido Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Benjamin Rodriguez.

The Corcoran and Porfido Family - February 28 at 12:36 PM

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“ The Corcoran and Porfido Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Benjamin Rodriguez.



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EF

“ Edwards Lifesciences Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Benjamin Rodriguez.

Edwards Lifesciences Family - February 28 at 12:07 PM

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“ Edwards Lifesciences Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Benjamin Rodriguez.



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“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Benjamin Rodriguez.

February 27 at 08:05 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Benjamin Rodriguez.



February 27 at 08:05 PM