# FACEBOOK POSTINGS BY BEN'S FAMILY

**David Gutierrez** 

May 27, 2014

For those of you that don't know, tomorrow I travel to Colorado to spend my final moments with my dad. He has had heart problems for many years, and his battle is finally coming to an end. A lot of my friends know my dad from the several years he worked at Hy-Vee. Some know him because they spent time at my house with me growing up. We haven't always had the best relationship, but until the end he has always been my dad. For many years I have tried to ready myself for when he left this world and I thought I had readied myself for it, but right now my heart breaks knowing I have such a little time to spend with him. I have no idea where this journey will take me but know I have the support if my friends and family to get through this. Through death there is always life, and I intend to live every day as though it's the last, from here on out. Thank you all for your prayers, thoughts, and support through all of this! I have much love for all of you!

#### David Gutierrez

June 3, 2014

To all of my Iowa and Nebraska family and friends...stay safe tonight. I am praying that everyone will be alright. I'm coming home tomorrow after an exhausting week here in Colorado. My dad is still holding on, but the end is near. I have got to enjoy spending time with him and reminiscing about all of the fun times we had. It breaks my heart to say goodbye, but I know he will soon be with the rest of my family that has passed. I know the first thing he will do is go fishing with my Grandpa Pendry. He already knows where the best place to go is. Someday I'll get to go and out fish him like I always have.

#### David Gutierrez

June 12, 2014

For all my friends and family that may not know, my dad passed away this morning. As sad as I am, I know he is no longer suffering. Please keep my family in your thoughts and prayers. R.I.P Dad. I love you!

## **David Gutierrez**

June 18, 2014

Today we start our journey to Colorado. We haven't driven this far with the girls since Ashlyn was 2 and Taryn wasn't born yet. Thankfully Grammy (Donna Pendry Gutierrez Hall) is coming along with. Let's see how long my typical 9 hour drive takes!!! Colorado, I'm coming home again. Thank you everyone for the calls, thoughts, & prayers for my dad's passing.

#### David Gutierrez

June 18, 2014

Finally made it to Colorado! Like always it feels like home, but there is definitely a void this time. I realized how much I missed my dad when I went to call him to let him know I made it. Thank goodness I have great family to show me the love that Dad always had for me.

#### David Gutierrez

June 23, 2014

Just said goodbye to my Dad for the last time. As they were playing Taps, I realized what a beautiful day it was and how Dad would be out on the water fishing with his dog Jack, who passed away a few years ago, right now. Then it occurred to me he probably was. I wish I was fishing with you Dad. Just don't catch all the big ones before I get there. I Love You and miss you. R.I.P. Dad!!! Now it's time to drive home. See you Des Moines tonight.

## Donna Pendry Gutierrez Hall

June 23, 2014

Just leaving Lakewood CO, (south Denver) after a very moving military service for David's dad at Ft Logan cemetery. In the car and heading out, Taryn, the 4 yr old says "are we almost home" Think it will be a long day ?!!!

# Donna Pendry Gutierrez Hall

June 23, 2014

My trip to Denver has been a mix of emotions. Traveling with my son David and family, the primary purpose was attending David's fathers funeral. However, we incorporated time with the extended family. So special has been the time spent with 4 of my 5 step children and families and of course all the cousins of the Gutierrez family, there are many whom I have not seen for more than 20 yrs. it has been quite a reunion. Attached is a photo of David's niece and her new born daughter, less than 3 wks old! Thank you to all Ben's relatives whom continue treating me as a part of this family!