



Alonzo A. Gongora

May 24, 1964 - November 4, 2015

Alonzo A. Gongora, of Missouri City, Texas passed away suddenly on November 4, 2015 in Sugar Land, Texas at the age of 51. He was born May 24, 1964 in Houston, Texas to Alonzo and Dolores V. Gongora. He grew up in Houston and graduated from Willowridge High School in Fort Bend County in 1982. He attended Blinn College.

Following college, Alonzo worked in his family's business before pursuing a career in radio. He worked for Cox Radio in Houston, New Wavo Communications in Conroe, TX, Noalmark Broadcasting in El Dorado, AR and internet-based Country Crossroads. Across his radio career he held positions in promotions and production, as well as being an on-air personality.

Underscoring his radio career was a love of all types of music, but particularly country music and classic rock. Alonzo started playing the drums when he was 4 years old, and continued throughout his lifetime. He also played guitar and bass. He performed in the marching bands at Willowridge High School and Blinn College, and was a member of several country and rock bands throughout his life. He spent his final years working as a professional musician, his life-time dream. Some of his favorite bands include "Cousin Earl" and "Southern Koast" in Arkansas, and "Delta Groove Factor" and "The Bobby D Sawyer Band" in Houston. Alonzo also loved photography, and worked as a professional photographer.

Alonzo had a generous spirit, always giving to others. He was a regular blood-donor, and participated in numerous activities supporting pediatric cancer research. Through his volunteer work, he met a special young girl, Julia, who was fighting pediatric cancer. She became his surrogate daughter. His final gift to the world was to be an organ and tissue donor. He always had a smile on his face, and was quick to make others laugh. This loving husband, son, brother and friend will truly be missed.

He is survived by his wife, Debra Anderson Corak, who he met when he was 14 years old. Following high school, they lost track of one another, but were reconnected via social media in 2010, and married in 2011. He is also survived by his parents, Alonzo and Dolores Gongora; brother, Richard Gongora; step-son, John Corak; parents-in-law, Clifford and Della Anderson; along with numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. He also leaves behind his beloved dog Morgan.

Visitation will be held from 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., with a Rosary at 7:00 p.m., Monday, November 9, 2015 in the Chapel of Davis-Greenlawn Funeral Home in Rosenberg.

The funeral mass will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 10, 2015 at St. Mark Evangelist Catholic Church in Houston.

Pallbearers will include: Arthur Garcia, Daniel Garcia, Thomas Garcia, Ellias Garza, Rafael Gongora, Rudy Gongora, Bobby D Sawyer, and Izzy Vences.

Tributes and words of condolence may be left for the family at www.davisgreenlawnfh.com. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made in Alonzo's memory to Snowdrop Foundation, Inc at <https://npo.justgive.org/nonprofits/donate.jsp?ein=20-4478536>

Arrangements are under the direction of Davis-Greenlawn Funeral Home,
3900 B.F. Terry Blvd., Hwy 59 South @ FM 2218 in Rosenberg, Texas 77471,
Phone: 281-341-8800.

Tribute Wall

SE

“ So sorry Deb..thoughts and prayers are with you.

Sarah Evartt - February 03, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ Very sorry for your loss. He was a great friend and will always be remembered.

Jennifer Aldaco - February 03, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ Alonzo was a great friend and co-worker, always positive and fun to be around. I miss him.

John Davis - February 03, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LJ

“ The world lost an amazing man. I only knew you for a short time but it was a blessing to have met you! There wasn't a time that I saw you, that you didn't have a smile on your face. You will be truly missed by so many! Rest in peace friend!

Loren Jackson - February 03, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ First memory of Alonso was the first day in the band Jamie Larson The assistant band director decided when the drummers are at rest on the marching field but the two sticks around their neck and Alonso said that makes us look dead

John Chupin - November 10, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ My deepest condolences in this time of grief. Alonzo was an amazing man who touched so many people with his kind and gentle spirit. He will forever be in my heart as the beautiful soul he was. We are all better for knowing him and he will be missed immensely by everyone that was lucky enough to know him.

Caroline Boatman - November 10, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ God brought to us all a very special human being in Alonzo. I met him when I was his Band Director at Willowridge HS. I'll always remember his warm smile, his humor and kindness. He was a leader and big brother to our very young band as we started the Eagle Band those first years. He left wonderful memories for me and I'll never forget him. He was truly special. My prayers go out to the family and all that were blessed to know him.

Jamie Larson - November 10, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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Jamie Larson - November 10, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ My prayers and condolences to your family KC. You will be forever remembered for your great humor and smile.

Karen Siefert - November 10, 2015 at 12:00 AM

VC

“ Rest in love KC! You left behind beautiful memories that will last forever! You definitely made our lives sweeter, as I fondly referred to you by your outstanding role as Mr. Candy Man! May God continue to comfort your family, friends and loved ones!”

Veronica Creer - November 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ I'll always remember Alonzo for his talent as a musician, his great sense of humor, and his compassion for others. Until we meet again, rest in peace, my brother.

David Hoke - November 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

FL

“ To Alonzo's family, we are so sorry for your loss.....May God comfort you and Strengthen you with HIS love.

Frank & Sherrill Leggio - November 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family in this time of sorrow. Met Alonzo when I started working at Cox Radio and we became fast friends while working promotions together. He is such a great and wonderful person. He is very much Loved by all and will be truly missed. Rest in peace my friend. God Bless

Debbie Haecker - November 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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Debbie Haecker - November 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PL

“ My thoughts are with you Deb and your family plus Morgan. Your heart must hurt and I am so sorry that you have to go through this...please hold onto the glorious memories..p

Peggy Langdon - November 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ I will always remember "KC" for his bright smile and love of life. We were truly blessed to have him in our lives. Please accept my deepest condolences on the loss of such a wonderful person.

Ken Bridges - November 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ Our deepest condolences to the Gongora Family. May our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ open heaven for Alonzo Alberto and receive him into His loving arms. Dolores and Alonzo, know that our prayers and thoughts are with you during this very difficult time. God's blessings always.

RobertoBobby & Maria Elena Rodriguez - November 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LN

“ I am truly saddened at the loss of such a wonderful human being and someone I was proud to call a friend. Alonzo will be missed by many but never forgotten. My condolences to the Gongora family in this troubled time. Bless you all.

Lowell Neinast - November 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ I love you both and you are in my prayers. I refuse to use the past tense because I have, I do and I always will love you both. Please know that Alonzo's life mattered, his life had purpose and his life gave others the inspiration to be a better person.

Cindy Olsen Mabry - November 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ Services...not devices, Deb! And now KC is laughing at me!

Kelly Campbell - November 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ I can't physically be there for the devices, but y'all are constantly in my thoughts and prayers. Such a sweet man, lit from within by such a lovely soul.

Kelly Campbell - November 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Sorry for your loss. He will be greatly miss. Prayers and Hugs from the Scott Family and The Karavantos Family.

Despi Karavantos Scott - November 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ *Our sorrow never ceases, but God's grace and promises strengthen us to make it through each day, and we hold our memories dear.*

Lisa Chabelita Francis - November 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

ST

“ *I will miss you my Facebook friend - sending funny posts & liking mine. Also sharing gifts in a few games. But most of all that great smile & enthusiasm for life in general & your kindness & caring for your family & others. I am so happy to know your beautiful Deb as well & promise to keep praying for her & your beloved family. Rest in peace.*

Sandra Thomas - November 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

EN

“ *My brother, I'll miss you. We had some amazing times and laughs. I'll never forget you. Till we meet again.
Love your white brother,
Eric*

Eric Nagle - November 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ *Our most sincere condolences to Alonzo and Loli Gongora for your lost. Your son left his mark of greatness in every thing he did and we remember him for. His memories will enrich your thoughts of him and will live forever. God bless.*

Jesus O. Calvillo, Jr. - November 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SY

“ I send my condolences and prayers. Alonzo, Have fun playing the drums in Heaven. Hope you reunite with my Brother up there!
Love,
Sylvia Medina

Sylvia - November 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ You're in my thoughts, my heart, and my prayers. Wishing you and your family strength and peace.

Treasa Moore - November 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PJ

“ We got to know Alonzo just a few brief years ago when he made Deb, our dearest friend very happy by becoming her soulmate. We promise to hold Deb up and be there for her.
Our deepest condolences to Deb and Alonzo's family.

Peter Carberry & Herschel Scott Jr. - November 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ You will be sorely missed. Prayers for your family.

Todd and Sherry Case - November 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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AC

“ It is with a heavy heart that we offer our condolences during this very difficult time for Alonzo Jr.'s family. Just know that you are in our prayers and thinking of you. May the happy times you spent with your son and the happy memories that you made together as a family bring you some warmth and comfort.

Arturo and Becky De La Cerda - November 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AL

“ Dolores, Alonzo and family, my most deepest condolence in the loss of your son, husband father. May he rest in peace and may you find comfort in beautiful memories. Prayers.

Alicia Lozano - November 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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Alicia Lozano - November 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TT

“ I met KC when he walked into LifeShare Blood Centers, Eldorado, AR. to fill out a job application in 2010. He and I started working together, side by side, mostly just the two of us shortly after. He has been one of the GREATEST friends ANYONE could ask for. Such a team player, people person, GENEROUS, unselfish, CARING, HILARIOUS, thoughtful, dependable, COMPASSIONATE....WOW, the list goes on and on...
He and I became GREAT FRIENDS. We went to Christian concerts together, dinner together, I helped him move, he helped me with several things, we did devotionals together, we fed the homeless one Thanksgiving together, I could confide in him and he in me, we told each other everything. He came to my baptism for that special moment in my life. I moved to FL in August 2011 and it was SO hard to leave my friend. The memories I will carry with me and cherish for the rest of my days are MANY. I love you, KC. Your sufferings are over. And your heavenly rewards are GREAT. Be seeing you.

Tiffany Tucker - November 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ Very sorry for your loss. Continued prayers for comfort in this difficult time. I will always remember the friendship we shared in high school and the fun times and laughs we shared and that he continued to share thru social media. He was a gifted and wonderful person. Rest in peace "Nozmo". I will always remember you my friend.

James King - November 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ My condolences for the loss of your son. I can't even imagine the sadness you are feeling. But I pray God gives you strength and peace during this very difficult time. May God bless you and all your family Dolores. Much love to you my friend!

Aurora Flores - November 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MV

“ *My deepest condolences for the family. May God continue to give you all strength through this difficult time. May he Rest in Peace.*

Matilde Vela - November 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KJ

“ *I met KC at SAAC. We were both on the theater steering committee. We shared a lot of good friends and laughs. Deb and all of his family and friends are in my thoughts and prayers.*

Kristy Jett - November 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PF

“ *I'm truly sorry for your loss, Deb and Mr. & Mrs. Gongora. Alonzo was and will be remembered as a very good man.*

Grace and Peace,

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CB

“ *Peace be with Deb and their family. Rest in peace, Alonzo, my friend. You are truly missed!* ”

Cheryl Bostelman - November 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM