



## Cesar A. Escobar

February 22, 1989 - March 23, 2014

Cesar Adrian Escobar was born in Mexico City, Mexico in 1989. His family moved to Manson, WA when he was four years old, and he graduated from Manson High School in 2007. In the fall he attended Wenatchee Valley College, and he graduated with his degree in Automotive Technology in 2011. Cesar was proud of where he came from, but he also deeply appreciated all the sacrifices his parents made for him to have a full life here in the United States. It affected his perspective and outlook on everything that he did, everything that he worked for – after several months of meetings and paperwork, Cesar received his official worker’s permit and began the process of obtaining his US citizenship.

“If there was one thing that my dad taught me, it was how to work hard for what I wanted.” One of the things he wanted most was to provide security for a family with his fiancée, Bekah Helsel, and his faithfulness, diligence, and perseverance led him to a job with Salcido Connection. He made it look easy to balance going back to school for his new employment while still working part-time and investing full-time in family relationships. After a month and a half working as a technician, Cesar was diagnosed with stage-four stomach cancer on February 20, 2014.

Cesar and Bekah’s wedding date was 9 weeks away, but they decided to live fully from moment to moment. On March 4, with the first round of chemo behind them, Cesar and Bekah said their wedding vows at her parent’s home in Sunnyslope. Surrounded by immediate family, they celebrated their love, “In

sickness, and in health..." Not even the doctor's hopeless prognosis affected his cheerful spirit and strong optimism. Two days later Cesar went home on hospice, still determined to make it back for his third round of treatment, saying, "Only God knows when my time is."

When he arrived home from the hospital, he prayed, "I just want to give thanks, Lord, for another wonderful day." Cesar was an active member of the worship and ministry of Living Hope Church, and he wanted everyone to know and experience God's love. A man of few words, Cesar's mission in life was to LIVE out his faith in Jesus. His actions reflected God's standards, and his unconditional love for others mirrored that of his Savior.

Last Saturday evening, before falling asleep Cesar said to Bekah, "I really wish I could go to church tomorrow." The next morning was Resurrection Sunday, and Cesar's prayer was answered. He was welcomed in.

Cesar is survived by his wife, Rebekah Helsel, his parents, Florentino and Rosa Escobar, and his two sisters, Yessica and Jocelyn Escobar. The memorial service to celebrate and remember his life will be at the Free Methodist Church in Wenatchee, on Saturday, March 29th, at 1:00pm. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations in Cesar's name towards cancer research at <http://www.cancerresearch.org>. Please express your thoughts and memories on the online guest book at [jonesjonesbetts.com](http://jonesjonesbetts.com). Arrangements are by Jones & Jones-Betts Funeral Home.

# Tribute Wall

PF

“ I worked with Cesar for a time at Home Depot. I will never forget his wonderful smile and his great work ethic. It was an honor to know him.

Peter Fallert - March 31, 2014 at 07:30 PM

Tina  
Wagner

“ I didn't know Cedar well, but played on the NAC softball team with his last year. I admired his positive outlook on life and his contagious smile! Our amazingly talented smiling center-fielder! Rest in Peace Cesar!

Tina Wagner - March 29, 2014 at 04:25 PM

MF

“ So sorry to hear of your loss. I pray the Lord will comfort and care for you all in these moments of sorrow.

Monroe Family - March 28, 2014 at 07:39 AM

CR

“ A MIS AMIGOS POLO Y ROSA ESCOBAR NOS DUELE EN EL ALMA SU PERDIDA RECIBAN NUESTRAS CODOLENCIAS DESDE AZUSA CALIFORNIA DE PARTE DE LA FAMILIA REGALADO JORGE, CARMEN, JOSEPH Y SAMANTHA. (DESCASA EN PAZ CESAR QUE DIOS TE RECIBA EN SU REINO)



CARMEN REGALADO - March 27, 2014 at 10:30 PM

CA

“ I didn't know Cesar - but feel like I did because of how beautifully his obituary was written. To his bride, family and friends, I am so very sorry for your loss.



---

**Connie Adams** - March 27, 2014 at 05:55 PM

DM

“ Even though I had only known Cesar for a short period of time, it was a privilege to be able to walk a moment with him on his journey. I will always remember his smile and his unwavering spirit.

*My life is much fuller having known him, if only for a short period of time. My condolences go out to Bekah, his loving parents and his supportive in-laws. I know he is soaring with the angels with that beautiful smile on his face.*

---

**Denise M.** - March 27, 2014 at 03:12 PM

KH

“ To the Family -  
I would like to send my condolences for the loss of your loved one. May Jehovah the “God of Comfort” bring you peace and comfort at this difficult time. (1 Corinthians 1:3, 4) As the days and weeks pass, and as you try to return to life's routine, may you continue to feel comforted by the love and support of family and friends. However, I also pray that you take the time to examine the comfort our Creator offers in his word at Revelation 21:3, 4 and Job 14:14,15

---

**K. Henson** - March 24, 2014 at 10:04 PM