



## David Moises Sanchez

May 7, 1962 - October 4, 2020

We bid farewell for now .....

David Sanchez, 58, a lifelong resident of San Jose, unexpectedly left us on Sunday October 4, 2020 while in the company of his beloved wife, Veronica.

David attended Independence High School, after which he began a 37-year career in printed circuit board layout design. David last worked at Paramit Corporate for 8 years.

David was best known for his infectious smile. A big hearted, respectful and positive man, he could be anyone's best friend. David enjoyed life. He was a skilled craftsman, a golfer, and a world traveler. He enjoyed traveling to experience new cultures, food, and art. Connoisseur of finer things in life, he loved his wine, cigars, charcuterie, trendy footwear, gadgets, and so much more.

As a wine educator, David taught novices everything about wine and loved challenging their palates. If you asked him what he thought the wine tasted like, he would never tell you what he thought, instead, he would help you describe what you are tasting.

An avid renovator, he made his kids watch "This Old House" instead of Saturday morning cartoons. He was truly passionate about every project he set out to do. His creativity was unleashed and expressed through his home, inside and out. Always trying to figure out the best way to proceed, he would think about the projects all hours of the day and night. After a thousand iterations, he would know exactly what to do, how to do it, and it would be done perfectly.

A devoted and loving husband, son, father and brother, David is survived by his wife Veronica, his mother Mary Sanchez, his children Nicholas Sanchez and Natalie Geiger, his sister Yvonne Wellwood and his brother Greg Sanchez.

Till we meet again.

Please post comments and photos to share your experience with David. In lieu of flowers, we ask that you consider making a donation to the American Heart Association.

# Comments

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**Veronica** - January 31, 2021 at 08:09 PM

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“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of David Moises Sanchez.



October 31, 2020 at 12:15 PM

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“ David's kindness will always be remembered. Please accept our most heartfelt condolences.



**Simon & Serina** - October 13, 2020 at 01:38 AM

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“ I can't believe you're gone, David. It's been such an honor to have known you and I am grateful to Veronica for bringing you into our lives. I can only echo all the wonderful things that have already been said and written about you. You were simply one of the kindest and most positive souls I have met. Rest in peace. <3

Jane L. - October 12, 2020 at 11:44 PM

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“ Although I did not know David for a very long time, but the few times that I have golfed with Veronica and David have always been so memorable and such a great time.  
David was so easy going and has an amazing way to make you feel so welcome. The last time I saw David was at the Junipar tournament at Crystal Springs, we (me and my childhood friend from Daly City) were paired with David and Veronica. The weather was not perfect, but we had a great time with them. My childhood friend Lito remembers David as "such a nice guy".

Our sincerest condolences to Veronica and David's family. Our prayers are with them in the hopes that the love and friendship of family and friends will help them through these tough times ahead.

Veronica, we send our love, hugs and prayer to you.

Love,

Luckie Demaree  
Vernon, BC  
Canada

Luckie Demaree - October 12, 2020 at 08:33 PM

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“ I'll always miss you Primo David I'll always remember your laugh, kind heart, stories and spirit for the rest of my life.

Rest In Peace

Francesca Marie Hernandez - October 12, 2020 at 06:40 PM

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“ David when I think of you I can't think of you any other way but with that big infectious smile.  
You were one of the kindest men I knew.  
Today you are with your friends I'm heaven and I am sure you are all smiling and maybe even a little surprised at how loved you are.  
Until we meet again,

Sherry



**Sherry Rodriguez** - October 12, 2020 at 06:35 PM

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“ I have no words! My sweet cousin may you rest in peace



**Verna Fregoso** - October 12, 2020 at 06:32 PM

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**Sasha Verhage** - October 12, 2020 at 05:35 PM

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“ David was such a bright light. He had infectious laugh, persistent curiosity, and impeccable taste- whether it was wine, food or cigars. He brightened every room he walked in and had a calming spirit. I remember how meeting him at his work in Morgan Hill so I could get some amazing cigars for a friend visiting from France. He punctuated life. After a new wine project launch, he texted " We'll need to celebrate sometime with cigars!"

He will forever be known as he affectionately called himself- The Wine Pimp. He could always engage in conversation and make someone excited about wine. Many of my fondest memories of Eno Wines include him. He always loved the funky Syrahs like our Las Madres. He brought interesting "Mystery Wines" during our breaks whether bottling or harvest. I remember how he turned me on to Amador Sangiovese and Barbera, and the rare Negrette from De Rose Winery. When I was exhausted from 20 hr days at the winery or tired from the wine industries, he always propped me up.

I will preserve his light and carry it forward.

Sending you big love, David. I will miss you.

**Sasha Verhage** - October 12, 2020 at 05:32 PM

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“ As a long time friend of Veronica, David did not come into our lives until relatively recently, shortly before the two married. But it didn't take long to realize that he to would be a lifelong friend as well. Drinking wine, enjoying a cigar (or two), spending time together when you came down to San Diego, we may have only spent a few times together David, but we'll remember you as a lifelong friend.



**Chris Siedenburg** - October 12, 2020 at 05:16 PM

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“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of David Moises Sanchez.



October 12, 2020 at 04:26 PM

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“ David, I still remember the day we met when Veronica introduced you to us. From the first meet I knew you are a special person. always smiling and happy person. Still could hear the way you were cheering for the warriors team during our championship run in 2015.

I will miss you my friend.



**Venki Kumar** - October 12, 2020 at 04:21 PM

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“ We have many great memories of our times spent with David, the most memorable when golfing, dining, and enjoying a fine wine. He is one of the nicest and most caring man that we have ever met. You will forever remain a part of our lives and we will miss you. Cheers my friend!



**Scott Chew** - October 12, 2020 at 03:13 PM

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“ My Uncle David, my favorite Uncle. The only sane one in our crazy family. He was always jovial, easy to talk with and spoke with me as if I were a friend. I miss his support and encouragement, but my heart will always be warmed by his memory.



**Brenna Clark** - October 12, 2020 at 02:45 PM

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“ I first met David in 2018 when I started at the winery. Working with him has been a pleasure with his wonderful warm personality and humour. His laugh was so infectious and he taught me so much about wine. David will be missed greatly. My thoughts and prayers are with his family.

**Priyanca Sarkar** - October 12, 2020 at 02:00 PM

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“ As a new friend to David I had the opportunity to spend time with him on a few occasions. Even with those few interactions, I have never felt more instantly welcomed into a well established group of friends. David's warm smile, ease of conversation, and natural ability to make all feel at ease were true gifts. To David, there were no strangers, just friends he hadn't had the chance to meet yet. I am saddened that I will not be able to get to know this remarkable man better.

**Kim Lawrence** - October 12, 2020 at 01:05 PM

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“ I have been avoiding writing this because it made it real, it made it permanent and I was still processing this. You have all told great stories about the endless smile, the wonderful generosity, and his propensity for fun and joy. All of that is true and you all have dozens of examples, thank you for sharing.

David was my closest friend, NOT that I was his and that was fine. His ability to be all you have said was just scratching the surface of what David was. He was compassionate, insightful and carried an emotional depth to our conversations that made it safe to confide and rely on David. He was giving and stern and had no shortage of advice which he shared with love and respect. I will cherish that more than all of the wine and cigars and food and bourbon and parties.

I miss you David.

**Keith McCabe** - October 12, 2020 at 12:35 PM

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“ David was a generous and loving host. As I carefully sift through and examine each memory I have of David, they are all of him welcoming me with a smile and setting me at ease. He welcomed us into his home, shared amazing wine, offered delicious food, introduced me to kind friends, and always contributed friendly and interesting conversation when I got the pleasure of sitting across from at wine dinners. I would definitely rank him at the top of the list of my ex-husband's friends. My heart aches for those he left behind. I know he will be sorely missed.

**Tanya Blansett** - October 10, 2020 at 07:51 PM

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“ I knew David since he was a long time friend of my dad from college I think. I didn't see him much but when I did, I always felt really welcomed and appreciated by him. He was a kind man who was always willing to entertain a crowd, especially when he had his fun get-togethers at his house which he prepared in a way to make everyone happy and entertained. I hadn't gotten to speak with him in a couple years, but that doesn't make this loss hurt any less. Rest In Peace, David. If I drank wine, I would pour a glass for you.

**Ethan McCabe** - October 10, 2020 at 05:52 PM

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“ I met David at Coterie Winery 8 years ago when we were working out of the warehouse location. As the ‘newbie’ on the team, he welcomed me with open arms, kindness and generosity, especially with his wine knowledge. He and I helped christened the Julian Street location 5 years ago. I’ll always picture David behind the tasting room bar, with a big smile ready to welcome anyone who walked through the doors.



**Karen Cassin** - October 10, 2020 at 12:38 PM

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“ I met David when we were five years old. We navigated our school years together and David was always loyal, loving and so much fun! I treasured still staying in touch all these years. He was so dear to me. I miss you already David. May you rest in peace Wine Pimp forever. Here's to you my friend.



**Diana Millitello** - October 09, 2020 at 10:23 PM

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“ So very sorry to hear about David. He always seemed so upbeat, and you couldn’t help but feel good to see his smile and hear his laugh. I’m glad to have many memories of him at various wineries and elsewhere, and he’ll be missed by so many of us.

**Ken Z** - October 09, 2020 at 03:37 PM

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“ So sorry for your loss. We always enjoyed his presence, camaraderie and humor while sharing a glass of wine.

**Kevin F** - October 09, 2020 at 03:14 PM

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“ We are very sad to hear about the loss of David and send our sympathy to his family.

**Karen and John Peterson** - October 09, 2020 at 02:49 PM

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“ David was one of the good ones! Our condolences to the family. We met David years ago through wine tastings and shared many a fine bottle. Eternal cheers to a very fine human.

**Shannon and David P** - October 09, 2020 at 02:45 PM

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“ So sorry to hear about David's passing. We enjoyed time together at many Offline Wine Gatherings. My heartfelt sympathies to anyone who was blessed enough to know him.

**Brent Null** - October 09, 2020 at 12:38 PM

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“ I've known David since junior high. What a great guy. I'll never forget that smile! Who could?! I'll have a glass of wine in your honor this weekend. To the Wine Pimp! Rest In Peace.

**Kara Garcia** - October 09, 2020 at 11:59 AM

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“ David was always so gregarious and full of life! We met David as part of our local wine tasting group at the time, and stayed in touch ever since. Always enthusiastic and friendly. After our wine group sort of dissolved we fell a little out of touch, but I was super excited when I got a message that he was coming to Portland and was asking for restaurant recommendations. He took me up on one (Aviary, now closed) and by his own account had a great meal. We discussed connecting, but his trip was so short we didn't make it happen.

I will now always regret not making that happen, we figured we'd connect "soon".

Don't put "soon" off.

RIP David, you are missed. My sincere condolences to the family.

**Eric White** - October 08, 2020 at 10:26 PM

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“ David will always be one of my best friend. My cousin the very special human beings will be missed by many and never forgotten. I came across a photo of his VW bug that I help him get running about 21 years ago. I couldn't believe he would drive the car to work at IBM back then. I was happy when he decided to sell it get the 2001 Golf GTI. We shared a lot of great wine together for a lot of years and there will never be another WINE PIMP.



**Edward Hernandez** - October 08, 2020 at 04:43 PM

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“ I remember the day you were born and came home, I fell in love instantly. I remember all the fun times as kids, loved to tease you. I remember the fun times and talks as adults, thank you for listening and adventures we took. I don't want to remember the day you left us. Thank you for loving me. I will always love you my brother .....sis

**Bonnie** - October 08, 2020 at 04:03 PM

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“ My loved Tio, thank you for always being there. For protecting me as a kid. For loving my kids. Talking tech and tv's with me. For letting me gross you out with crazy pics and videos.



**Lisa Butler** - October 08, 2020 at 02:55 PM

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**Dan DePaola** - October 08, 2020 at 02:54 PM

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“ I remember sometime back just after high school, Dave invited me over to his house to check out the car he was working on. It was a late 60's or early 70's Karman Ghia. He had just gotten it back from the paint shop-- it was cherry red. He was so excited about it and the smile on his face really lit up the place. Rest in peace, Dave. I will miss your smile and friendship. My prayers go out to your family.

Marvin Marcelo

**Marvin V Marcelo** - October 08, 2020 at 02:07 PM

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“ Truly a great friend of everyone. Someone who made it a mission to make others happy, be it through pimping wine, cigars, golf, or a quick wit. You showed Lesley and I and many others tremendous hospitality on our visits out west, providing memories I will cherish forever. I am glad I was able to share Kentucky hospitality (Horses and Bourbon) with you. I will save this last sip of Pappy for when I see you again my amigo.

Dan and Lesley

**Dan DePaola** - October 08, 2020 at 01:56 PM

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“ Our deepest sympathy to the Sanchez family. Lasting friendships and memories will be cherished by his bandmates and the parents of the 76th Calvary Marching Band. Kay and Gary Tymn

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“ My friend,  
While we never met, the communication and comradery we shared was always special. Your presence is missed.

God Speed!

**Gary Gipstein** - October 08, 2020 at 01:17 PM

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“ You know, it's not often that you meet someone/become friends and they have an impact on your life, without ever meeting face to face. David and I joined a cigar community, about the same time in 2004. We quickly became friends, trading back and forth and just giving each other a hard time. David was quick to give advice on life and golf/cigars, when asked. He was such a great person and friend, who was always upbeat and ready to discuss anything. I'll always remember David and the talks/advice he gave.

Miss you Amigo! I will light one up for you tonight.

**Brandon Freebern** - October 08, 2020 at 12:40 PM

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“ Dave had always touched my heart and soul as a true friend with a big heart. We marched together in the sax line 76-80 in the Cavalry Band. Our Senior year was filled with adventures with a group of bandmates (Garth Ruhlin, Eddie Castro, Mike Shakleton, Jeff Nale, to name a few) at Alum Rock Park, Pinnacles National Monument, and our infamous Band trip to the Florida Orange Bowl Parade. Dave taught me the finer points of enjoying a good cigar with good friends. This will always remind me of Dave. Something told me to reach out to Dave and I called him at the beginning of the year. Since leaving the Bay Area to SoCA, I had only seen Dave a few time in the last 10 years, but we talked of looking forward to the next time we could share a gar and bourbon, and relive so many shared memories. There is a bond that we all have as 76th Cavalry Band mates 76-80. He was loved by all.  
I will raise a glass and gar in your memory Dave Sancho. You are missed.  
Love , Dave Tymn

David Tymn - October 08, 2020 at 11:34 AM

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“ Sancho! Good times all over the board. Much love and respect for you ever since we met back in high school in 79. Have a glass of wine waiting for me buddy. Thoughts and prayers to the family.

David Lopez - October 07, 2020 at 11:59 PM

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David Lopez - October 07, 2020 at 11:38 PM

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