



## Elias "Al" Ozuna Jr.

September 10, 1942 - June 14, 2024

Elias Ozuna Jr., known also as "Al" by both family and friends, passed away on Friday, June 14, 2024 at OSF Richard L. Owens Hospice Home surrounded by loved ones. He was born in San Antonio, Texas on September 10, 1942 to Elias Ozuna Sr. and Anita (Garcia) Ozuna.

Elias was a loving husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather and brother. He is survived by his wife of 35 years, Janet, his three children: David (Columbia) Ozuna (Bartonville), Teresa Ozuna (Peoria) and Sarah Ozuna (Peoria) and three step-children, Paul (Tonya) Reid (Cedar Rapids), Jeffrey Reid (East Peoria) and Garrick (Tabitha) Reid (Morton). He has three grandchildren: Joshua (Brittany) Ozuna (Huston), Kaylee Ozuna (East Peoria) and Ami Ozuna (Peoria) and five step-grandchildren (Brianna, Aiden, Bennett, Easton and Nora Reid). He has one great-grandchild (Isabel) and another on the way. He is survived by three brothers (Raul, Carlos, Armando) and two sisters (Marla, Sandra), all residing in the southwest. One sister (Elizabeth) and one brother (Rene) preceded him in death.

Elias was raised in Sabinal, Texas, graduating from Sabinal High School in June 1960. Immediately after graduation he enlisted in the US Navy, serving as a radioman 2nd Class E-5 in the Pacific Fleet until September 1963. After his honorable discharge, he worked for the FBI in Washington DC as a translator. Elias attended George Washington University and the University of

Maryland. He left the FBI, successfully working in sales at Virginia Concrete for 12 years before relocating to Lake Camelot in Central Illinois with his first wife, Christine, and their three children. He was employed at Custom Builders as a Sales Representative from 1978 until 1985. Elias was then employed as a Finance Manager at Ray Dennison Chevrolet in Pekin for 22 years and worked in that capacity at several other dealerships in the Peoria area before retiring from Peoria Toyota in 2012.

Elias was passionate about playing golf and photography. He and his wife Janet also owned horses and he enjoyed horseback riding. He loved spending time with family, his golf buddies and his cat, Max. He will be dearly missed by all.

A Celebration of Life will be announced at a later date.

Memorials can be made to TAPS Shelter in Pekin.

Words of comfort can be shared with the Ozuna family at [www.SchmidtHaller.com](http://www.SchmidtHaller.com)

# Tribute Wall

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“ Randy and I are so sorry for your loss. Sending thoughts and prayers for all of the family...Al was a great guy met him many years ago when he was working for Dennison Chevrolet...hugs to his wife Janet❤️☐

Vicki Reid - June 24, 2024 at 01:29 PM

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“ Janet and family, you have my deepest sympathy. I worked many years with Al at Ray Dennison. We had many interesting conversations and I always enjoyed talking to him. I'm sure he will be deeply missed by many, Lloyd Force

Lloyd - June 22, 2024 at 12:42 PM

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“ With our deepest sympathy, you're in our prayers.  
-Junior (Armando Ozuna, Jr. & Family)

Armando Ozuna - June 18, 2024 at 11:38 PM



“ I'm very sorry for you and your family's loss Janet. Prayers for all of you.  
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Mona Thurman - June 18, 2024 at 06:10 PM

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“ Janet and Family  
So sorry to hear of your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers.  
Bill and Irene

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