



## Thomas G Garcia

July 5, 1981 - April 10, 2021

Suddenly, on Saturday April 10, 2021 Thomas G. Garcia went to be with the lord. Thomas was born on July 5, 1981 to Norman and Mary Garcia. He loved to barbeque, draw wonderful pictures which led him to produce intricate tattoos, spending time with friends, and he enjoyed his Denver Broncos. He was a wonderful father. Thomas survived by his loving wife Shavon, his children; Thomas Jr., Jade, Seth, Aiden and Ian, his parents; Norman and Mary, siblings; Anthony (Francine) Garcia, and Angelo Garcia, numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, grandparents, extended family and friends.

# Events

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**APR**   **Celebration of Life**   10:00AM - 01:00PM

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New Hope Ministries

875 S. Sheridan Blvd., Lakewood, CO, US, 80226

# Comments

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“ As many are, I'm in shock at Thomas' passing. I have many memories, mostly during the time Thomas worked in our office. His heart for students was BIG! He strived to connect with everyone he met and helped everyone he possibly could. He loved his family deeply and was proud of his kids; his eyes sparkled when he talked about his family. May our loving Lord comfort you, Shavon and kids and indeed all of us who knew and loved him. The world is a less brighter place without Thomas among us.

**Jean Kelly** - April 17 at 02:46 PM



“ Beautiful, Jean.

**Ari** - April 18 at 09:48 AM



“ I am so sorry Shavon

**Rosemary Najera** - April 20 at 06:08 PM



“ I had the great privilege of teaching four of Thomas and Shavon's children at Greenlee Elementary. Thomas always made a point to come by my classroom/gym to say hello every time he came to the school. He was so proud of his kids and rightly so. Jade, Seth, Aiden and Ian were some of the most respectful and kind students that I have taught in my 24 years in education. Your Dad was and is so proud of all of you. As a father of just two kids, I marveled at the way Shavon and Thomas were able to raise five. Please know that your Dad will always be smiling down on all five of you from Heaven.

Jason Mickartz

**Jason** - April 16 at 08:22 PM

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“ A picture in front of Community College of Denver South Classroom from around 2010 of a bunch of work studies from various departments and staff. Shavon and Thomas are on the far left of picture. Thanks to Nick for giving me this one.



**Ari Rosner-Salazar** - April 16 at 04:37 PM

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“ My heart goes out to your entire family!

Thomas used to clean by the faculty offices late at night. I was the only one around and he would check on me to make sure I was okay... and even asked me if I wanted him to walk me out to my car when I left since it was so late. He always had a smile, a story to share, or a kind word. I will always appreciate his kindness.

Janet Tarase

**Janet Tarase** - April 16 at 04:21 PM

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“ Dear Shavon and children,  
You were very lucky to have such a good man in your lives! What a wonderful example of love and caring he gave to each of you. You will all miss him terribly but just remember you will always have him close in your hearts and you will think of him daily and smile with his love spreading through you. We will be thinking of you all. Stay strong.

**Mickey and Dean Rathe** - April 16 at 04:19 PM

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“ Shunna White lit a candle in memory of Thomas G Garcia



**Shunna White** - April 16 at 09:53 AM

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“ Shavon & Family,  
I am so sorry for your loss. It's easy to see how much love exists for Thomas. You'll all be in my thoughts.  
Jen

**Jen Macken** - April 16 at 12:44 AM

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“ I did not get to meet Thomas, but I can tell he had a great positive impact at RRCC by the outpouring of support and beautiful messages. Thinking of you and your family. I hope you can treasure all of your memories with him during this time.

-Janet Stomberg, LSAMP Program

**Janet** - April 15 at 06:57 PM

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“ Shavon,  
My deepest sympathy to you and your kids! I am so saddened to hear about Thomas. He was always so kind to me and I always enjoyed talking art with him! I am so, so sorry for your loss. I am always here if you need a friend to talk to. Sending you prayers and love to help get you through this difficult time.  
Big Hugs Shavon!

Sincerely,

Lisa



**lisa** - April 15 at 05:55 PM

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“ Shavon and Family,

I have such fond memories of the time Thomas worked in Accessibility Services at RRCC. I feel fortunate to have had the opportunity to meet both Thomas and Shavon. My heart goes out to the entire family.



**Stacy Roe** - April 15 at 05:47 PM

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“ Hey Shavon,

It was a sad enough day when you left Red Rocks. I can only imagine how sad this is for you and your family. YOU DID NOT DESERVE THIS.

The last time I saw Thomas was at the mall with a few of your children. He always made them call me Mr. McGovern, which made me a little uncomfortable. However, as a fellow Dad I knew and appreciated why it did that.

I miss you friend. I will miss Thomas as well. He was always good to me. That is how I measure a person's worth. How good they are to me and my family. You two were the best.

Your friend always,  
Dennis

**Dennis** - April 15 at 05:44 PM

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“ Loretta sent a virtual gift in memory of Thomas G Garcia



**Loretta** - April 15 at 05:33 PM



“ Shavon, I am so sorry for your loss and cannot begin to imagine what you and the kids are going through. If you need anything please reach out.

Loretta

**Loretta** - April 15 at 05:35 PM

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“ To the family of Thomas Garcia.  
Shavon, Our heartfelt sympathy, thoughts and prayers are with you during this very difficult time. Praying for you to be strengthened and filled with hope for the days that lie ahead of you . Kathy Schissler

**Kathy Schissler** - April 15 at 04:52 PM

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“ Chavon, I'm so sorry to learn of your loss. Please know you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. God bless you!



**Tyler Mary Casias** - April 14 at 03:05 PM

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“ I wish to offer my condolences to Shavon, her children, and Thomas' parents and family.

I first met Thomas a couple of times when he came to pick up Shavon at Community College of Denver. Once Thomas decided to come to school and got a job in my office, we had many many talks--he had had some challenges but was on a really good path. He was a very skilled artist and played an important role in the art work/backgrounds that helped our department win a Star Wars themed Halloween house decoration contest--I think this was maybe 2010, but not quite sure now. We both loved Star Wars. I was Vader, and he was the Emperor. I can only find one picture from that day (see Vader pic), but I'll post more pictures or video if I can find them.

Once Thomas showed me some things he was drawing and talked about how much he liked to draw mythical creatures. I remembered that I had my old table-top role-playing game books and metal figurines in a box for two decades, since high school. I knew that I was unlikely to ever use them, so it just felt right to give them to Thomas, who would really use them and enjoy them.

Thomas loved his kids, and was a good father and husband. He and Shavon gave us tips with our own kids, who even got to play with our kids a couple of times at our home.

I think I was complaining about how expensive and crowded Cliffs was once, and Thomas tipped me off to Pirate's Cove waterpark (Englewood). My family loved going there back when we lived in Colorado. It was more affordable, smaller, and less crowded than the larger waterparks at Cliff's and Northglenn.

I was stunned to hear of Thomas passing and was so honored that Shavon found me out of state to let me know--we had both changed phone numbers and lost touch. I have informed many CCD staff and former student employee contacts (who are also telling more people that knew Thomas) about this page and the gofundme.

I will miss you Thomas and feel honored to have known you, worked with you, and watched you grow at CCD.

--Ari Rosner-Salazar, former supervisor



Ari Rosner-Salazar - April 14 at 01:15 PM

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“ Terri Cedillo lit a candle in memory of Thomas G Garcia



**Terri Cedillo** - April 14 at 09:28 AM



“ Shavon and family, my heart is with you right now. Thomas was beloved by all those who knew him at Red Rocks. Your family was and always will be special to me. Please know that I am here if you need anything. I send you all my love.

**Terri** - April 14 at 09:35 AM

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“ From the Castle, Blake and Bryant families purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of Thomas G Garcia.



**From the Castle, Blake and Bryant families** - April 13 at 11:39 PM