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**E**lijah Arthur Macias, born December 9, 1993, in Lawton, Oklahoma, to Jason Macias and Shannon Coachman, bid farewell to this world on May 9, 2024.

His journey began in Lawton but led him to grow up in the vibrant city of Tulsa. Elijah's life was marked by his unwavering spirit, dedication, and love for adventure. As a young man, Elijah found his passion on the football field, where he poured his heart into the game during his time at Jenks High School.

Though he ultimately graduated from Nathan Hale High School in Tulsa. Following the path of duty and service, Elijah joined the U.S. Army after high school, embarking on a journey of courage and sacrifice. He underwent rigorous training at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, belonging to the E-1-19 3rd Platoon "Gun Slingers". He was later stationed in Missouri, where he excelled in his duties and was honored with a distinguished leadership award during AIT in Missouri.

His time in the military was a testament to his commitment to his country and his innate leadership abilities. After his honorable discharge from the Army, Elijah embraced a new chapter in his life, working as a roughneck in the oil fields of Colorado and Oklahoma. His resilience and hard work were evident in every task he undertook, earning him the respect of his peers and colleagues.

Beyond his professional pursuits, Elijah was a true outdoorsman at heart. He found solace and joy in the vast expanse of nature, spending countless hours hunting, fishing, and exploring the wilderness. His love for the outdoors was infectious, and he cherished every moment spent in the company of nature's beauty.

Elijah's adventurous spirit extended to his culinary endeavors as well. He had a passion for grilling and cooking, and his mastery of the grill was evident to all who tasted his creations. With a couple of Traegers already under his belt, Elijah's culinary skills were as impressive as his adventurous pursuits.



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In addition to his many qualities, Elijah was known for being easygoing, funny, and possessing a great sense of humor. He had a knack for bringing smiles to the faces of those around him and was not easily offended, making him a beloved friend to many. His good work ethic was matched only by his devotion to fatherhood, as he was a loving and dedicated dad who cherished every moment with his children.

Elijah is survived by his beloved children: Gracie Lee Macias, Evelyn Dixie Macias, and Hunter Pittman; his partner, Dominique March; his father, Jason Macias and his wife, Judy; his mother, Shannon (Coachman) Leon; siblings: Jake, Eric, Hannah and Emma,; grandparents: Cheryl Macias; Robert and Dora Karnes and Joseph Coachman; aunts and uncles: Sancho Macias, Cheron and Mark Allen, and Mary and Bill Cupp. He is also survived by cousins: Robert and Stevie Allen and Joseph and Michelle Shoemake.

In the hearts of those who knew him, Elijah leaves behind a legacy of bravery, resilience, and a zest for life. He will be remembered fondly for his unwavering dedication, his infectious laughter, and the warmth of his friendship. Elijah Arthur Macias may have departed this world, but his spirit will live on in the memories of all who were fortunate enough to have known him.

As we mourn his passing, let us also celebrate the life of a remarkable man who lived each day with passion and purpose. Rest in peace, Elijah, knowing that your light will continue to shine brightly in the hearts of those who love you.




# Events


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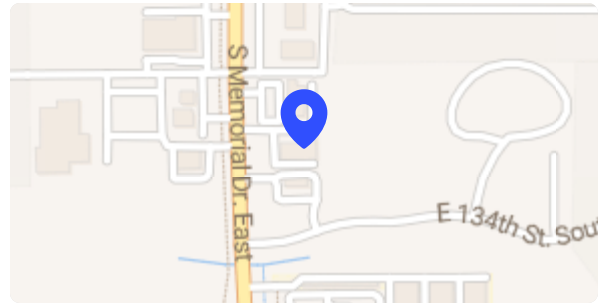
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## Memorial

 **Tuesday**, May 28, 2024

 2:00 PM CT

 **RiverCrest Chapel and Event Center**  
13329 S. Memorial Dr., Bixby OK 74008





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Hey, hi, hello. I really don't know what to say. When Macias got to his first unit in Fort Lewis Washington he was placed in my squad Alongside SSG Matthews (the squad leader), SGT Eskridge (A team leader), Myself SGT Bennett (B team leader). Spc Lorraine, SPC Rodriguez, SPC Archer, SPC Harris, SPC Ramos, PFC Hardrick, PFC Allaway, and PVT Macias. As the Bravo team leader Macias fell under my direct leadership and as a new soldier who was in the Army since breakfast chow he was extremely quiet and always quick to move. He also always showed everyone and anyone upmost respect. After a few weeks of inprocessing and getting used to the work flow myself, SGT Eskridge and SSG Matthews had our daily huddle and SSG Matthews had told me Macias is solid but we got to break him out of his shell, I think we had taken the whole squad to lunch (we did what we could from time to time), I got to know him more on a personal level found out he had a daughter, he wanted to be a Ranger, then he asked me.. "sarnt.. when can I get promoted" I was like friend, your the lowest man on the pole you just got here, I'll vouch for you BUT you have to give me 100% in everything. After that Macias was like my shadow wherever I went he was there 2 steps behind me .. PT was his thing he as out working everyone every single time, he'd be in the motorpool before everyone getting the trucks ready for mission or just regular maintenance days, he constantly would volunteer for mission or support or anything he could he soaked in knowledge from not only his peers but myself, Eskridge and Matthews. He ended up getting promoted about 2 months later. No matter what was going on before I could even get his Name out he'd already be like "movin sarnt!". (As pictured below) anywhere I was Macias was 3 steps behind me. A few months before I departed JBLM I had been moved to another Squad during a manning realignment so Macias was no longer under my leadership but by far one of the best soldiers I've ever had the honor to lead in 14 years. The last night I was on JBLM before I was departing to Fort Benning GA it's about 1am I get a phone call and I see it's him so I answer "what's up stud?" "Heyyyy sarnnnnt sorry to call you but I need help I'm in downtown Tacoma and I'm lost" so I told him to sit tight and I'd come get him, I ended up calling SSG Matthews and we rode down together to get him, I ended up finding him outside in a white tee shirt and a cowboy hat. (This is also Washington in January) I'm like Whaaaaat are you doing McWeirdo?where's your jacket ? He looks at me (after having a good ole time with his friends) and dead stares at me "IM A COWBOY FROM OKLAHOMAAAAAAA" I was like friend if you don't get your butt in this car! The whole way back to post to drop him off at his house the ride is dead silent "sarnt can you put some music on" I was like dude I dc .. he grabs my phone I was like Macias i swear to god if you play any of that country stuff you play in the truck I'm gonna drop you off right here.. followed by a heavy sighhhhh and a "cmon sarnt" I was like fine but nothing sad.. I forgot what the song was but he sang it so out of tune it was hilarious it was hard not to laugh. I finally got him home and I got his door .. he turned around and looked at me and his eyes were tearing up and he just kept apologizing to me for making me come get him. I was like don't worry about it Tex go inside go to bed he then replied with "sarnt one day I'm gonna be an NCO like you" I told him no, you're gonna an NCO like yourself. Anyway that's my story about Mr Macias. I hope you found it in good taste I hope some of you laughed. He was a good egg. (Below is a picture someone had taken of me during a training we were doing but right behind me is Macias .. I don't think he realizes for as much as I pushed him he also pushed me)

October 28 at 6:18 PM



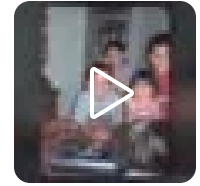
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June 6 at 11:00 AM



**Elizabeth, Ralph And Family.** sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Macias family.



May 27 at 7:07 AM



**Anonymous** sent an Arrive in Style to the Macias family.



May 27 at 6:55 AM



**Nana Stepanek** sent a Sweet Tenderness to the Macias family.



May 27 at 6:42 AM



**Anonymous** sent an Enchanted Cottage to the Macias family.



May 25 at 5:58 PM



**Mr.&Mrs. Rutger Dukes And Family** sent a Blue Caribbean Bouquet to the Macias family.



May 25 at 12:38 PM



## Media

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Join us in honoring Elijah by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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