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Adam Casillas, 1965 - 2016

Adam Casillas was born July 30, 1965 in Stockton, California to Adam J. Casillas and Lydia Martinez Casillas. Adam grew up in Stockton with his sister Cyndi. As a young boy, he developed a love for sports, especially baseball. He graduated from Saint Mary's High school in 1983. Following High school, Adam left California for Tulsa, Oklahoma where he received a scholarship to play baseball for the Oral Roberts University Titans. While a student at ORU, Adam met the love of his life, Meredith Spann, in their college economics class. Adam left ORU to pursue his life long dream of playing professional baseball. He first played semi-professionally for the Salt Lake City Trappers where he and his Trapper teammates were inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame for having the longest winning streak in the history of professional baseball. Adam and Meredith were married at First United Methodist Church, Tulsa on November 19, 1988. In the earlier days of their marriage, Adam and Meredith enjoyed living in several areas of the country as his professional baseball career grew from semi-pro baseball, to single A, double A, triple A, and then culminated into being called up to the Cincinnati Reds for last few games of the 1990 season. Adam's career included playing in North Carolina, Tennessee, Iowa, Nebraska and later in the country of Mexico. When children arrived, Adam turned his efforts to planting roots in Tulsa with his young family and started what became a nearly 20-year career working for the Nelson Auto Group. In those years, Meredith and Adam became proud parents three beautiful children, Adam Michael, Austin Thomas, and Morgan Claire. Along with his family, Adam had a life filled with work, sports, travel, and good friends. Because his faith was important to him, Adam attended Redeemer Covenant Church with his family.

Those who will miss him most include: his wife, Meredith and daughter Morgan Claire; a son, Adam Michael Casillas, of Stillwater, OK and son, Austin Thomas Casillas of Norman, OK. Adam is also survived by his loving mother, Lydia McBride and her husband Jerry, of Edmond, OK along with his sister, Cyndi Benson, of La Jolla, California. Many other family members and friends are among those who loved him dearly and will cherish his memory.