



Omar A. Botana

September 16, 1954 - January 10, 2026

Omar A. Botana, 71, of Estero, Florida, passed away unexpectedly at his residence on Saturday, January 10, 2026.

Omar was born on September 16, 1954, in Havana, Cuba, a son of the late Omar C. and Julia N. (Fernandez) Botana. In 1968, he immigrated to the United States with his family, first settling in Miami before moving to Naples, Florida. He attended and graduated from Naples High School, where he met his future wife, Sherry L. Naeyaert. They were high school sweethearts and the love of each other's lives.

Omar and Sherry were married on February 14, 1976, in Naples, Florida. Following their marriage, Omar joined the Naeyaert family concession business, working alongside his extended family while traveling throughout the country. Their work included special town events, local county and state fairs in the carnival industry. Always entrepreneurial that he was, Omar went on to build multiple businesses over the course of his life. One of those ventures, his cinnamon roll concession, "Cinnamon Rolls by Omar," recently celebrated 40 years in business and continues to operate today.

In 2004, the family started Bay Water Boat Rentals on Bonita Beach Road. In 2006, they expanded with the creation of the Bay Water Boat Club, which today serves hundreds of members. This became Omar's greatest

professional pride — a business built on service, integrity, and outstanding customer service, and one that continues as a lasting legacy through his family.

Omar recently retired in 2024 but still could be found at the boat club, visiting with staff, checking in on operations, or quietly making sure things were running smoothly. He especially enjoyed gardening, spending time with his family, and traveling the country in his RV. He was a hard-working and ethical man, deeply devoted to his family, and a loving husband and father whose presence, guidance, and steady support will be profoundly missed.

He is survived by his loving and devoted wife of nearly 50 years, Sherry L. Botana of Estero, Florida; his sons, Derrick J. Botana of Miami, Florida, and Adam A. Botana of Bonita Springs, Florida; and his four beloved Chihuahuas.

The family will receive friends on Friday, January 23, 2026, from 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM in the auditorium at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church, 28300 Beaumont Road, Bonita Springs, Florida. Services will be held at 4:30 PM. For those unable to attend, the service of remembrance it will be livestreamed at <https://facebook.com/events/s/service-for-omar-a-botana/906001041960142/>

To sign his guest register or leave online condolences, please visit www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com.

Arrangements are entrusted to Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home, family owned and operated since 1978.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 23. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

St. Leo's Auditorium
28350 Beaumont Road
Bonita Springs, FL 34134

Service of Remembrance

JAN 23. 4:30 PM (ET)

St. Leo's Auditorium
28350 Beaumont Road
Bonita Springs, FL 34134

Tribute Wall

RG

“ We only met Omar once and boy was he warm and caring. We had purchased a boat ride through the United Way Auction and booked it last April and Omar captained it. There were 8 of us from Grandezza and he was just so sweet, patient and caring. We just had the best time with him and he left a lifelong memory of compassion. He will be truly missed. Rob and Robin Grooms, Villa Grande

Robin Grooms - January 26 at 11:12 AM

WB

“ We are very sadden by the loss of Omar who was a great friend and neighbor of the Barefoot Boat club. It was a great pleasure working with him over the years. Our deepest condolences to his family.

William Bryzgalski - January 23 at 04:33 PM

EC

“ Eddie C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

Eddie C. - January 23 at 01:04 PM

MW

“ Mark W. planted a grove of 10 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

Mark W. - January 23 at 12:31 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Omar A. Botana.



January 23 at 11:29 AM



“ Katie and Caroline planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

Katie and Caroline - January 23 at 11:29 AM



“ Freshman class, Florida house purchased the Heavenly Grace Spray for the family of Omar A. Botana.



Freshman class, Florida house - January 23 at 10:32 AM



“ Freshman class, Florida house planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

Freshman class, Florida house - January 23 at 10:32 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Omar A. Botana.



January 23 at 10:29 AM



“ Your friends at Delegal Aubuchon planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

Your friends at Delegal Aubuchon - January 23 at 10:29 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Omar A. Botana.



January 23 at 10:29 AM



“ Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Omar A. Botana.



January 23 at 10:24 AM

FC

“ Florida House Sophomore Class planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

Florida House Sophomore Class - January 23 at 10:24 AM

TP

“ The Pasta Palace purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Omar A. Botana.



The Pasta Palace - January 23 at 09:28 AM

TP

“ The Pasta Palace planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

The Pasta Palace - January 23 at 09:28 AM

LF

“ Love The Cobb Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Omar A. Botana.



Love The Cobb Family - January 23 at 08:44 AM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Omar A. Botana.*



January 23 at 07:50 AM



“ *Alex Rizo and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.*

Alex Rizo and family - January 23 at 07:50 AM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Omar A. Botana.*



January 22 at 07:04 PM



“ *David, Betsy, Lawson, Sawyer and Crew planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.*

David, Betsy, Lawson, Sawyer and Crew - January 22 at 07:04 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Omar A. Botana.



January 22 at 04:20 PM



“ Jim Mooney planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

Jim Mooney - January 22 at 04:20 PM



“ Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Omar A. Botana.



January 22 at 01:57 PM



“ Katie, Brian, Christina & DJ planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

Katie, Brian, Christina & DJ - January 22 at 01:57 PM



“ Floridian P. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

Floridian P. - January 22 at 01:07 PM

TF

“ *The Metzger Families purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Omar A. Botana.*



The Metzger Families - January 22 at 12:33 PM

TF

“ *The Metzger Families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.*

The Metzger Families - January 22 at 12:33 PM

KH

“ *Kathy and David "Archie" Hampe purchased the Fiery Lily and Rose for the family of Omar A. Botana.*



Kathy and David "Archie" Hampe - January 22 at 10:48 AM

MD

“ *Matlacha Pine Island Fire Control District planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.*

Matlacha Pine Island Fire Control District - January 22 at 10:01 AM

KW

“ Kellie, Lissie & Lainie Warriner purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Omar A. Botana.



Kellie, Lissie & Lainie Warriner - January 22 at 09:58 AM

KW

“ Kellie, Lissie & Lainie Warriner planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

Kellie, Lissie & Lainie Warriner - January 22 at 09:58 AM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Omar A. Botana.



January 22 at 09:35 AM

CK

“ Christine K. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

Christine K. - January 22 at 09:35 AM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Omar A. Botana.



January 21 at 07:46 PM



“ Joseph and Ann Fowler planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

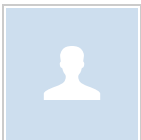
Joseph and Ann Fowler - January 21 at 07:46 PM



“ We were greatly saddened to hear of Omar's passing. He was so very kind to us when we were preparing to move into Grandezza back in 2016 and he barely knew us. Our deepest sympathy to your family at this difficult time. May he rest in peace.

Gary and Karen Neckorcuk
Grande Estates

Gary & Karen Neckorcuk - January 21 at 07:22 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Omar A. Botana.



January 21 at 03:01 PM

TF

“ *The Marine Industries Assoc. SW Florida planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.*

The Marine Industries Assoc. SW Florida - January 21 at 03:01 PM

RY

“ *Roger & Lee Christine Young purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Omar A. Botana.*



Roger & Lee Christine Young - January 21 at 02:15 PM

RY

“ *Roger & Lee Christine Young planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.*

Roger & Lee Christine Young - January 21 at 02:15 PM

CS

“ *Corey S. purchased the Your Light Shines for the family of Omar A. Botana.*



Corey S. - January 21 at 01:06 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Omar A. Botana.*



January 21 at 11:42 AM



“ *Theresa C. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.*

Theresa C. - January 21 at 10:45 AM

TO

“ So very sorry to hear of Omar’s passing...really enjoyed talking with him over the years on a variety of subjects...he was a compassionate and caring man...he wanted the best for his family and his business.....a fond memory I have with Omar was when the boat club brought in this new 28’ speed boat and he was personally taking members out in small groups to indoctrinate them in the handling of that boat.....there was about 6 guys on board when I went and one guy who thought he knew everything about boating was shooting off his mouth to all the different drivers....when it came his turn he couldn’t handle the boat after about a minute behind the wheel and Omar said to him..”this is not a boat you can handle”....the guy lowered his head and didn’t say another word the whole trip!

We wish you fond memories of a great individual who was a great husband and father.

Our very best,

Tom & Debbie Stegman

tom - January 21 at 10:28 AM

RS

“ RPCRA Members and Staff purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Omar A. Botana.



RPCRA Members and Staff - January 21 at 10:10 AM

WF

“ *With Love and prayers, Romano Family purchased the Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet for the family of Omar A. Botana.*



With Love and prayers, Romano Family - January 20 at 06:12 PM

FN

“ *FGCU Vester Neighbors purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Omar A. Botana.*



FGCU Vester Neighbors - January 20 at 01:00 PM



“ *Bountiful Rose Basket was purchased for the family of Omar A. Botana.*



January 20 at 12:34 PM



“ *Serenity Wreath was purchased for the family of Omar A. Botana.*



January 20 at 12:00 PM

MH

“ Mary H. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

Mary H. - January 20 at 12:00 PM

TF

“ The Sattler Family purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Omar A. Botana.



The Sattler Family - January 20 at 11:54 AM

TF

“ The Sattler Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

The Sattler Family - January 20 at 11:54 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Omar A. Botana.



January 20 at 11:31 AM

AB

“ Al and Leah Bleggi planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

Al and Leah Bleggi - January 20 at 11:31 AM

JZ

“ Joanne Z. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

Joanne Z. - January 19 at 03:15 PM

OG

“ Omar and I (Orlando González) enjoyed childhood fun experiences during our high school years. I loved his parents and I am happy he married the woman he told me would be his wife. Our adventures will be forever in our memories and I feel fortunate to have been part of his life.

I will not demeanor our memories attending his final resting day after never seeing him while he was alive . Although he invited me to visit . Our memories stay were they are to be shared in heaven when I get there .

God bless his family, children and friends.

You will be greatly missed by many that loved you . You did great . I am proud of you .

Orlando

orlando gonzalez - January 19 at 01:37 PM

ST

“ Sweetwater Lifestyles Team purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Omar A. Botana.



Sweetwater Lifestyles Team - January 19 at 01:29 PM

ST

“ Sweetwater Lifestyles Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

Sweetwater Lifestyles Team - January 19 at 01:29 PM

T&

“ Tony &. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

Tony &. - January 19 at 11:47 AM

W(

“ Willie Fernandez (Colincito) purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Omar A. Botana.



Willie Fernandez (Colincito) - January 19 at 10:30 AM

BM

“ Bonnie L Miller purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Omar A. Botana.



Bonnie L Miller - January 19 at 09:59 AM

BM

“ Bonnie L Miller planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

Bonnie L Miller - January 19 at 09:59 AM

TS

“ *The Murphy Family Blue Grass Shows purchased the Divine Light for the family of Omar A. Botana.*



The Murphy Family Blue Grass Shows - January 18 at 10:03 PM

TS

“ *The Murphy Family Blue Grass Shows planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.*

The Murphy Family Blue Grass Shows - January 18 at 10:03 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Omar A. Botana.*



January 18 at 04:54 PM

TF

“ *The Yarkosky Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Omar A. Botana.*



The Yarkosky Family - January 18 at 12:42 PM

GR

“ Gentry R. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

Gentry R. - January 18 at 12:21 PM

TF

“ Truenow family purchased the Simply Elegant Sp
athiphyllum for the family of Omar A. Botana.



Truenow family - January 18 at 12:06 PM

TF

“ Truenow family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

Truenow family - January 18 at 12:06 PM

JS

“ Jarrett & Darrah Starr purchased the Arrive in Sty
le for the family of Omar A. Botana.



Jarrett & Darrah Starr - January 17 at 09:48 PM

MS

“ A life taken far too soon, but a kindness that will never be forgotten.
He had a sweet smile and a gentle way about him that made people
feel welcome. May his memory always bring comfort and peace. I'm
just grateful I had the opportunity to share a few moments with him.

Michelle Salzman - January 16 at 09:37 PM

BC

“ Bay Water Crew purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Omar A. Botana.



Bay Water Crew - January 16 at 09:28 PM



“ Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Omar A. Botana.



January 16 at 05:03 PM

MG

“ My sister Jeannine and I always thought Omar was so handsome ,Rays joint was next to dads(Jim Gazella) in Midland always thought Sherrie was Lucky. So sorry we have to miss him but you folks are forever in our memories!

Michelle Gotthardt - January 16 at 04:27 PM



“ Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Omar A. Botana.



January 16 at 04:19 PM

YF

“ Your Realtor Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

Your Realtor Family - January 16 at 04:19 PM

GC

“ Gary Lori and Alex Crabtree purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Omar A. Botana.



Gary Lori and Alex Crabtree - January 16 at 04:15 PM

GC

“ Gary Lori and Alex Crabtree planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

Gary Lori and Alex Crabtree - January 16 at 04:15 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Omar A. Botana.



January 16 at 03:36 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Omar A. Botana.



January 16 at 02:02 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Omar A. Botana.



January 16 at 12:51 PM



“ Josh N. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

Josh N. - January 16 at 12:44 PM



“ Love, Tom & Michelle Leek purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Omar A. Botana.



Love, Tom & Michelle Leek - January 16 at 11:37 AM



“ Love, Tom & Michelle Leek planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

Love, Tom & Michelle Leek - January 16 at 11:37 AM

RA

“ We have so many wonderful memories of our dear friend, Omar; all good and all fun. The moment you met Omar and Sherry you were swept into a large and loving circle of wonderful friends and family, even his puppies. He cherished them all. He was a patriot thru and thru. He felt blessed to raise his family in this great country. He will be missed so much by the many lives he touched.

Ray & Cindy Armstrong - January 16 at 11:12 AM

CM

We were saddened to hear of the passing of Omar. He was a good, hard working man. He will be missed by all of us .
Coach Matt and Family

Coach Matt - January 17 at 12:21 PM

TT

“ The Senate District 33 Team purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Omar A. Botana.



The Senate District 33 Team - January 16 at 11:09 AM

TT

“ The Senate District 33 Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

The Senate District 33 Team - January 16 at 11:09 AM

AF

“ *Armstrong Family purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Omar A. Botana.*



Armstrong Family - January 16 at 10:18 AM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Omar A. Botana.*



January 16 at 10:11 AM

TG

“ *The Grants purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Omar A. Botana.*



The Grants - January 16 at 09:53 AM

TG

“ *The Grants planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.*

The Grants - January 16 at 09:53 AM

GB

“ I’m so sorry for your loss. My thoughts are with you and your family as you remember your father.
Gary Brooks

Gary Brooks - January 16 at 09:40 AM

TG

“ The Southern Group purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Omar A. Botana.



The Southern Group - January 16 at 09:22 AM

TG

“ The Southern Group planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

The Southern Group - January 16 at 09:22 AM

BR

“ Let’s go boating... Omar always greeted us with a warm smile at the Boat Club, especially when we had our dogs with us. There were times when I was a little nervous about docking, but he always smiled and helped us come in for a smooth landing. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family, crew and friends.

Bruce Rosenblatt - January 16 at 08:43 AM

JC

“ Jim & Linda Chain purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Omar A. Botana.



Jim & Linda Chain - January 16 at 08:22 AM

JC

“ Jim & Linda Chain planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

Jim & Linda Chain - January 16 at 08:22 AM

JC

“ I remember a few years back when the Boat Club got the new 30 ft boat with the twin 300 HP and Omar was taking members out for instructions because of the increased size & power. We were out in the Gulf and he opened it up and had the biggest smile I had ever seen and I knew then that he loved the speed and being on the water! Our prayers are with the Botana Family, We are sorry we will be unable to attend today's service as we are in Michigan. Jim & Linda Chain

Jim Chain - January 16 at 08:14 AM

RF

“ Richard & Lisa Gazella and Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Omar A. Botana.



Richard & Lisa Gazella and Family - January 15 at 11:06 PM

BL

“ A very fine man, and family that I enjoyed doing business with for many years. I liked working with Omar, Adam and their employees very much. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him. RIP Omar, you had a vision and definately worked hard for it all..Prayers for healing to family and friends.

Bob Lemley - January 15 at 10:28 PM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Omar A. Botana.



January 15 at 09:11 PM

PF

“ Perry Ristick and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

Perry Ristick and family - January 15 at 09:11 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Omar A. Botana.



January 15 at 09:08 PM

PF

“ Perry Ristick and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

Perry Ristick and family - January 15 at 09:08 PM

RR

“ Robert R. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

Robert R. - January 15 at 07:38 PM

PS

“ Pj S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

Pj S. - January 15 at 07:07 PM

FF

“ Franco Romano & Family purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Omar A. Botana.



Franco Romano & Family - January 15 at 06:44 PM

FF

“ Franco Romano & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

Franco Romano & Family - January 15 at 06:44 PM

MG

“ Michael G. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

Michael G. - January 15 at 06:38 PM

XK

“ xo Alan and Nancy Kahn purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Omar A. Botana.



xo Alan and Nancy Kahn - January 15 at 06:25 PM

XK

“ xo Alan and Nancy Kahn planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

xo Alan and Nancy Kahn - January 15 at 06:25 PM

DC

“ Deborah C. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

Deborah C. - January 15 at 06:13 PM

MF

“ Mercer F. purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Omar A. Botana.



Mercer F. - January 15 at 04:47 PM

MF

“ Mercer F. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Omar A. Botana.

Mercer F. - January 15 at 04:47 PM

JS

“ Joe and Brooke Stone purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Omar A. Botana.



Joe and Brooke Stone - January 15 at 04:13 PM