



# Arturo Dominguez

August 19, 1988 - June 11, 2016

Arturo Dominguez, 27, beloved teacher, son, fiancé, brother and friend, ended his long battle with scleroderma on Saturday, June 11, 2016. Art left this world the way he lived his life, with a strong will and determination, and on his own terms.

Born in Oakland, California, on August 19, 1988, Art graduated from Coronado High School in El Paso, Texas, and later from the University of Texas at El Paso. He worked his entire career as a social studies teacher at Holly Spring High School, where he spent his time teaching students to think critically about the world, mentoring them, coaching debate and engaging in an ongoing prank war with his fellow teachers.

Art loved his job, his school and his students. Even as his disease began to limit his mobility and deplete his energy, through pure stubbornness he continued to enter his classroom every morning until his doctors told him to stop. One of his final conversations with his doctor was about how much he missed teaching.

His friends will remember Art's subtle humor, his loving kindness towards his friends and family, his mastery of the most arcane board game rules and strategies, his virtuoso bar trivia performances, his knowledge of the Zelda, Pokemon and Game of Thrones universes, and his love for children and animals, especially his very spoiled dog, Cali.

Art is survived by his fiancée, Summerlee; his parents, Socorro and Joel; his brothers, Joel and Danny; his nephew, Joel; his Tia Carmen and many beloved aunts, uncles and cousins.

His memorial service will take place at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, June 15, at the Matthews House in Cary. In lieu of flowers, Art requested anyone wishing to make a memorial gift donate to the Scleroderma Foundation (<http://www.scleroderma.org>).

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life Service

JUN **15**. 3:00 PM (ET)

The Matthews House  
317 W. Chatham St.  
Cary, NC 27511