

42. Luis Gustavo Núñez Cáceres

Who was Luis Gustavo Núñez Cáceres? Luis Gustavo Núñez Cáceres was a 42-year-old Honduran immigrant who came to the U.S. two decades ago. He is remembered by his brother as full of life and hope, someone who fought for his own well-being and for his family's well being. Public reporting about his personal life is limited, but available accounts identify him as a son and brother from Honduras who had no reported criminal record.

How did Luis Gustavo Núñez Cáceres end up in ICE custody? ICE arrested Luis Gustavo Núñez Cáceres during an immigration enforcement operation in Houston on November 17, 2025, as Luis was on his way to work. He was later transferred to the Joe Corley Processing Center in Conroe, Texas.

How did Luis Gustavo Núñez Cáceres die under ICE custody? Luis Gustavo Núñez Cáceres was admitted to HCA Houston Healthcare in Conroe for chronic heart-related health problems. At Joe Corley Processing Center, Luis's health had begun to deteriorate. His brother has said that despite repeated requests, he was unable to access the medication he needed to manage a congenital heart condition — a claim consistent with many similar accounts of GEO facilities. According to ICE, Luis suffered multiple life-threatening medical emergencies before being moved to intensive care. “They wouldn't let us visit our brother, but we were able to see him from behind a window. He was very fragile,” Marvin Núñez, said one of his siblings. “I rushed to see him for the last time, because he was already in a coma.”

On the morning of January 5, 2026, Luis Gustavo Núñez Cáceres died. Luis' family was permitted to say goodbye to him at the hospital -- through the glass windows in the emergency room.

What happened after Luis Gustavo Núñez Cáceres's death? Luis' brother stated that Luis had repeatedly asked guards at Joe Corley Processing Center for access to the heart medication that he needed, but they denied the request over and over again. ICE has not provided the public with any details about the weeks leading up to Luis's December 23, 2025 admission to a nearby hospital's intensive care unit.

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