

# VEGAS & STYLE

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### FUNFARE

## Yes, Douglas is all that—and much, much more!

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I MISSED Douglas Quijano's early-morning call yesterday, June 16.

I placed three blind items in *Funfare* and I expected Douglas to, as usual, call or text to inquire who the stars being referred to in the items were. No call came.

"Lucy would like to know," was his standard "alibi." "She couldn't make a good guess."

But Lucy Torres was not interested in blind items. Her main concern when she and husband Richard Gomez arrived at dawn from San Francisco was to go straight from the airport to the Heritage Memorial Park in Taguig City where Douglas' remains die, surrounded by dozens and dozens of wreaths that line the corridors leading to the three (yes, three!) chapels where the wake is being held starting on the night of June 13 when he was found dead in his sleep (heart attack, according to the doctor) at his newly-

built house in Lucban, Quezon, until this Saturday, June 20, when they are cremated, with the ashes to be enshrined at an altar in that house which has become Douglas' sanctuary these past few years.

One of Douglas' talents whom he treated like his children, Richard broke down as soon as he saw Douglas inside a mahogany coffin, a faint smile forever etched in his face, his silver hair cropped short.

"In all the 11 years that we've been together," said Lucy, "I've never seen Richard cry so hard. He would feel sad but not cry as he did this morning."

The couple had to cut short their stay in San Francisco where they graced a GMA Pinoy TV event together with other *Kapuso* stars. Richard's bosom buddy Joey Marquez, another Douglas talent, can't bear to see Douglas in sweet slumber, keeping a distance from the coffin because, Joey said,



Douglas Quijano, in his younger years

"Things haven't sunk in yet." When they do, he would break down as Richard did. Bench boss Ben Chan, one of those closest to Douglas, sat wordless at the back of the chapel, the weight of his personal loss heavy on his face.

Regal Matriarch Mother Lily Monteverde,

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## [Showbitz!]

### Geoff Eigenmann reveals weight loss secret



**HEARTTHROB** Geoff Eigenmann is excited for his new leading man role in GMA 7's new teleserye, *Rosalinda*, based on the Spanish telenovela which starred Thalia. As part of his preparation for the role, Geoff got into boxing and Ultimate Frisbee to shed off excess weight. Although he considers himself athletic and was involved in a lot of sports, Geoff admitted he loved eating too much that he weighed as much as 230 pounds about six or seven years ago.

"[Before] friends and family were telling me, 'Ang taba mo, papayat ka na.' Ako naman, wala akong pakialam," he tells *Philippine Entertainment Portal* (PEP). "Nung pumayat ako, ang damping nagbago. I felt better

about myself."

Now, he makes sure to make boxing a part of his regular regimen to maintain his ideal weight by boxing at least three-four times a week. It has paid off as he shows his well-toned body in the issue of *Men's Health* magazine.

"Ang kailangan talaga is discipline. It's up to you if you want to excel in whatever you're doing. Kung ano ang ibigay mo while training, yun din ang makukuha mo," he concludes.

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