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Alejandro Del Toro Ortega, a loving husband, father, grandfather, and brother passed away peacefully on July 29, 2023, in San Antonio, Texas with his children and grandchildren by his side, holding his hands in prayer.

Alejandro was born on April 8, 1943 in La Pryor, TX to the late Leandro E. Ortega and Emitteria Del Toro Ortega. He married his one true love, Rosa Lee, on July 6, 1963, in Floresville, TX. The two were inseparable and they created countless unforgettable memories as they moved through life, including times at their favorite restaurants, enjoying live music shows, Fiesta events, and numerous family occasions and friend gatherings. They went on to raise three daughters; Donna, Vivian, and Jennifer.

As the 2nd oldest out of nine siblings, family was very important to him. His greatest accomplishments were his children and grandchildren. Spending time with family and friends, just laughing and being together brought him immense happiness.

Alejandro, “Chey” ”Alex” “Mr. O” “Pops” or “Popo” led a full life filled with adventure and early explorations that all started on the rancho. He ran wild and free in his early days, yet dedicated and strong-willed while finding his

way in this world. From laying terrazzo in various parts of Texas with the Venice Art Company, to giving his best “cowboy” by lending his hand on the Segura’s ranch off Moursund Rd, or working and painting at a car body shop he ran with one his best pals; Alejandro knew the value of hard-work, very quickly prioritizing the needs of his family over his own.

In 1966, he began working as a Laborer in the Power Department at City Public Service, holding various positions such as Utility Worker, Crewman, Carpenter Painter, and Apprentice Painter, eventually working his way up to Foreman, Paint Department in 1995 while simultaneously earning his GED from Harlandale ISD. He gave 35 years of service to City Public Service, retiring in 2001 to enjoy the simple things in life.

He had many hobbies and a wide range of unique skills. If he couldn’t fix it, he knew someone who could. He made friends easily and welcomed all. You could find him camping and swimming along the Frio river, hunting or fishing around Somerset, taking road trips east and west of Texas to explore this beautiful country first hand, cheering his beloved Dallas Cowboys, SA Spurs or TX Rangers, firing up the pit in his backyard, or any yard really, and last but certainly not least, he was usually cracking jokes and a cold one while playing his favorite conjunto music.

Wherever he was, he was always present, ever patient, a great provider and wise listener. His witty sense of humor shined through, even in challenging times. He had quite a way with words and embodied a “less is more” spirit, often leaving a profound impact after only saying a few sentences. He will be remembered for his brave heart, strong and at times stubborn nature, unique life perspective, funny personality, and most of all for his unwavering love and dedication. Alejandro shared his heart and spirit with family and friends. He truly loved each of them - and if you knew him, then you knew this was true.

Alejandro is preceded in death by both his parents, grandson Anthony Joseph Barba, siblings, Jose Luis Ortega, Enrique Ortega, Arturo Ortega, Teresa Ortega Ochoa, Maria Luisa Ortega; sister in law Mary Ortega; brother in laws Guadalupe Ochoa and Roberto Chavez.

He will be missed by many including his loving wife of 60 years Rosa Lee Ortega; daughters Donna M. Garcia, Vivian Ortega Barba (Anthony), Jennifer Ortega Baird (Joshua); grandchildren Alexandra Garcia, Jakob E. Garcia, Lyllian R. Garcia, Koryn N. Wilcher, Dominic A. Barba, Theodore V. Baird, and Benjamin Del Toro Baird; siblings Leandro Ortega, Guadalupe "Lupita" Olguin (Delores) and Reynoldo Ortega; sister in laws, Frances Ortega, Carmen Ortega, Diana Ortega.

Cemetery Details

Mission Burial Park South

1700 SE Military Dr.
San Antonio, TX 78214
<http://www.missionparks.com>

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 9. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels South, Cemeteries & Crematories
1700 SE Military Dr
San Antonio, TX 78214
(210) 924-4242
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Rosary

AUG 9. 6:30 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels South, Cemeteries & Crematories
1700 SE Military Dr
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Funeral Procession

AUG 10. 9:30 AM (CT)

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Funeral Mass

AUG 10. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Lawrence Catholic Church
236 E. Petaluma
San Antonio, TX 78221

Interment

AUG 10 (CT)

Mission Burial Park South
1700 SE Military Dr.
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Tribute Wall

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“ One thing i noticed when we first met Mr Ortega was how he truly enjoyed being surrounded by his family . Whatever the occasion, you could tell he was happy to be with his loved ones. His family was so blessed to have such a beautiful soul in their lives.

Our sincere condolences

Edward and rosemary pedraza

Rosemary pedraza - August 08, 2023 at 03:43 PM

KK

“ Kyn Wilcher, Kailyn, Keegyn, and Kaleb purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Alejandro D. Ortega.



Kyn Wilcher, Kailyn, Keegyn, and Kaleb - August 08, 2023 at 01:15 PM

TW

“ We were so fortunate to have been able to meet PoPo and spend 4th of July with him and the family last year. Peace be with you all and may PoPo rest in peace. Know he will forever be with you and watching over you. Sending love, light and our condolences, Steve and Tricia White

Tricia White - August 07, 2023 at 06:32 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Alejandro D. Ortega.

August 07, 2023 at 03:23 PM



“ Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Alejandro D. Ortega.



August 07, 2023 at 03:23 PM



“ Great memories since my teenage years. From automotive painting to training roosters. From storytelling to great family gatherings. Rest easy Tio Chey.

Lorenzo Ortega - August 05, 2023 at 08:28 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Alejandro D. Ortega.

August 05, 2023 at 12:58 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Alejandro D. Ortega.



August 05, 2023 at 12:58 PM



“ Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Alejandro D. Ortega.



August 04, 2023 at 11:26 AM



“ 4 files added to the album Classic Love



Jennifer Ortega Baird - August 04, 2023 at 03:31 AM



“ 1 file added to the album Early days



Jennifer Ortega Baird - August 04, 2023 at 03:30 AM

RO

“ *Such a beautiful obituary for Tio! May you rest forever in paradise. Give all our past loved ones a big hug and hope you partying with them in Heaven. You will surely be missed. Prayers for peace and healing over Tia Rosa and all your children and grandchildren. Love Rosie Ortega and family*

rosemary Ortega - August 03, 2023 at 02:31 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Alejandro D. Ortega.*



August 03, 2023 at 01:40 PM

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“ *RIP tio and Godfather Prayers for my cousins and my godmother Aunt Rosa Ortega* 📍📍



Graciela Olguin - August 02, 2023 at 05:55 PM

VI

“ *Rest in peace Sending love and prayers to our sweet aunt Rosa and beautiful cousins all the family and friends Virgie/Roy*

Virginia - August 01, 2023 at 11:06 PM