



Arthur V. Herrera

October 17, 1932 - April 30, 2016

Arturo "Arthur" V. Herrera was born October 17, 1932. On April 30, 2016, he joined God, family, and friends.

He was inducted to the Army on February 16, 1953.. As a member of the 634th Armed Infantry serving in Korea, he earned the National Defense Service Medal. In June 1955, the Army released him from active duty to Army Reserve to complete 8 years service under the Universal Military Training and Service Act.

On February 11, 1960 he married Margarita Dally and a few days later, having earned his GED during military service, he began his career as a San Antonio Police Officer. For 31 1/2 years, he protected and served the city of San Antonio. He survived the loss of a few partners killed in the line of duty, the gunfire shown on live TV from the infamous Fiesta Day Parade sniper, and the ever brutal hours of the graveyard shift. Closing out his career, he rose to the rank of detective investigator and primarily focused his work on missing children. After the passing of his loving wife in 1991, he would choose retirement midyear 1992.

Arthur was known as the 'General' across the department, and 'Tio' among Frost bank staff downtown, whom he served as security for 20 years as extra employment. He was a husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather,

brother, uncle, friend, Angel, and a larger than life hero. He even was part of a Mariachi group and played the Bandoln. Never shying away from good food, he loved to cook and eat his well-planned meals.

Even to his last days, he always sang, usually made-up songs, made you laugh, and never forgot to tell you he loved you and to lock your car doors!

Our family is grateful to all who loved him, visited him, listened to his stories, sang with him, cared for him, and just knew him. A special thank you to Mari and Henry Carreon who opened their personal care home to him as he needed more care, and to their family members Joseph, Karina, Marisa, Marcus, and Rosa who cared for him as their own. All their staff were loving and patient with dad and we are especially appreciative of Jema, Marta, Lupita, Bertha, Maria, and Sonia. To the staff at Grace Hospice and A-Med Hospice we are ever grateful, as well as to House Call Doctors, especially Dr. Walls, who consistently showed her compassion and expertise to dad. Dr. Burton Shaw and his nurse, Nancy, cared for dad throughout his life, and we can never express enough how thankful we are for their being a part of his life.

Daddy, thank you for showing us the meaning of love and sticking together as a family, the importance of serving others, and the way to be prayerful and faithful Catholics.

Arthur was preceded in death by his parents; and his beloved wife, Mary Margaret Dally Herrera. He is survived by his daughters, Judy Vasquez Richard, Mary Margaret Herrera; sons, Gerard Arthur Herrera Maribel Servine, Victor Alejandro Herrera Kristina; sister, Oralia Travieso; grandchildren, Gabrielle, Jennifer, Andrew, Gerard Arthur, Samantha, Alyssa, Eric, Angelina, Ariel, Damaris, Audrey, Noah, Elijah; and numerous nieces & nephews.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, May 5, 2016 from 6:00pm-9:00pm, with a Rosary recited at 7:00pm at Palm Heights Mortuary. A procession will depart the funeral home on Friday, May 6, 2016 at 9:00am, with a 9:30am Mass of Christian Burial to be celebrated at The Basilica of the Little Flower Catholic Church. Interment will follow at San Fernando Cemetery #2.