



## Mr. Eric Nicholas Slade

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Eric Nicholas Slade of San Antonio, age 65, passed away Sunday, July 27, 2025 surrounded by his loving family and friends.

Eric grew up in a military family, and from a young age experienced life in many corners of the world. Eric often spoke and cherished the memories made with his family when stationed in Spain.

Eric graduated from John Jay High School in 1978 and went to college for two years.

On April 8, 1980, Eric proudly enlisted with the United States Air Force, serving four years, and was honorably discharged on October 7, 1984.

After serving in the military, Eric returned back to his hometown of San Antonio. In 1985, he began a long and very successful career with the City of San Antonio. He started at the bottom of the ladder and worked his way up through the ranks, working most of his 30 years in the Police Department retiring in 2015.

Many say Eric had a stressful job but he did his job with great pride, loyalty,

and love for the department. Along the way, Eric's strong work ethic and integrity was shown by him not settling for less. He pushed himself for better opportunities and encouraged others as well. He made many friendships through his work career and always made sure they didn't settle for less or get mistreated.

Eric met the love of his life, Cordell Reinhard, on September 1, 1997. On July 26, 2012 the two of them married in Buffalo, New York. The two of them shared 27 beautiful years together sharing all the moments life would bring their way. Eric loved and embraced Cordell's two children, Steven and Shelley, wanting the best for them, treating them as they were his own children. His loving heart did not stop there; Eric absolutely loved his fur babies and even the strays that would come to their door. Eric spoiled the animals with many toys and treats.

Eric was a high achiever and perfectionist in everything he did from his professional career to his amazing vision and ability in home decorating and design. His cooking skills were out of this world and he loved to plan Thanksgiving and Christmas gatherings that encompassed everything from the cooking down to the beautiful place settings at the dining room table.

Eric was preceded in death by his parents, Kenneth and Geraldine Slade.

He is survived by his beloved husband, Cordell Reinhard; his children Steven Reinhard and Shelley Reinhard Simon; his son-in-law, Dominic Simon; his brother, Joe Ramirez and wife Diana; his sister, Lisa Bishop; his cousins, Claudia Tijerina, Ida Ayala, Henry Ramirez, and Andrew Ramirez; his aunts, Stella Ramirez and Beverly Mason and by many close friends.

A memorial service will be held on Friday August 15th at 11 a.m. at Covenant Presbyterian Church located at 1761 Northwest Loop 410 San Antonio TX,

78213 and live streamed on Covenant Presbyterian Church Facebook page. Followed by Columbarium burial at Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery at 1:30pm with full military honors.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests that memorial contributions may be made to San Antonio Humane Society, Soldiers' Angels, and/or American Heart Association.

# Previous Events

## **Committal Service with Military Honors**

AUG **15**. 1:30 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery  
1520 Harry Wurzbach  
San Antonio, TX 78209

# Tribute Wall

WH

“ Eric was kind. He had a sweet demeanor and no one could ask for a better friend or neighbor. Eric was always there for our Mom Bobbie Smith. Whether Mom needed to have a fun chat or fears calmed, or advice given , Erik and Cordell were there. And often their kindness was rewarded with ice cream bars.

*The Smith family loved Eric for all his kindness & cheeriness . He is greatly missed.*

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**wanda Henry** - August 25, 2025 at 09:07 PM

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“ Strong, creative, and loyal - Eric was a sweet friend to my grandma, Bobbie. Through grandma, I saw the sun room addition to Eric and Cordell's beautifully kept mid century house. And Eric had built the addition! Eric's mobility challenges were met with courage and Eric and Cordell's teamwork and care for each other and others was always evident. We will miss him.

*Our heart, thoughts and prayers go out to Cordell and Eric's family in this time of grief.*

*With love, Michelle and David*

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**michelle mackey ferris** - August 15, 2025 at 01:11 PM

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“ My deepest condolences to Eric and to my friend Cordell Reinhard. I wish I could've been there for you. Deepest sympathy.

*Tracy Luna*

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**Tracy Luna** - August 15, 2025 at 12:59 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. Eric Nicholas Slade.*



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August 14, 2025 at 03:28 PM



“ *Eric worked with us in the City Tax office back when that office existed! He was one of the best that I helped train! He was always so much fun made me laugh! I truly enjoyed Eric's time in our office. Then he went to work at Police Department, but he always had time for us & lunched when we could. May you rest in Peace. Gone too early.*

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**Linda Garza** - August 12, 2025 at 09:17 PM



“ *Ed Simon and Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Eric Nicholas Slade.*



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**Ed Simon and Family** - August 12, 2025 at 07:45 PM



“ *Rest in Peace Eric. I remember the fun times and laughs we shared working together at the City Tax office back in the late 80's.*

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**Sylvia Snider** - August 11, 2025 at 07:21 PM

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“ *First condolences to his love and family. I remember him when I worked at downtown SAPD,comunication 911.*

*He helped me on my claim when I filed workers comp. My then supervisor had used all my personal time and vacation. He made sure all that time was returned and correct time was used to help me heal.*

*From time to time I would see him in the bldg.I will forever be grateful for his hard work and kindness. Rest In Peace . See You When I See You.*

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**Esther R Oliver** - August 10, 2025 at 05:48 PM