



Dr. Frank Flores Montalvo, DSW, LTC (Ret)

April 6, 1929 - November 17, 2017

Dr. Frank F. Montalvo, DSW, LTC (Ret) passed away peacefully on November 17, 2017

after a long illness with his beloved wife of 65 years, Jean Johansen Montalvo, by his side.

Dr. Montalvo is also survived by his children, Stephen, Lisa (Ed), Michelle (Patrick), and

Maria (Scott), seven cherished grandchildren, Eric, Michael, Jonathan, Aly, Cameron,

Matt, and Austin, and great-grandchildren Steven and Lily.

Frank was born in Puerto Rico in 1929 and grew up in New York City. He attended

UCLA where he met Jean and earned both his B.A. and M.S.W., later followed by a

Doctorate of Social Work from the University of Southern California. He was commissioned as an officer in the U.S. Army during the Korean War, serving as the

Chief of Medical Social Work services at Beaumont Army Hospital. Frank then served as

Chief of Social Work services in Nurnberg, Germany followed by Chief of Psychiatric

Social Work at Letterman General Hospital in San Francisco. During the

Vietnam War,

he directed an Army-wide family service agency for separated families while on staff at

the Pentagon, after which he was awarded the Legion of Merit and the Meritorious

Service Medal for outstanding achievement to the United States. Frank was a part of the

military's early efforts to combat racial tensions during the Vietnam era and retired from

the Army as an LTC after serving as Director of Minority Studies at the newly formed

Department of Defense Race Relations Institute at Patrick Air Force Base, FL.

After

retirement, he joined the faculty at the Worden School of Social Service at Our Lady of

the Lake University in San Antonio, TX, where he was a Professor Emeritus of Social

Work.

Frank was a proud Puerto Rican and passionate promoter of improving race relations,

earning awards and accolades during his highly respected career. He co-founded the

International Academy for Intercultural Research and received the Society for Intercultural Education, Training and Research (SIETAR) International's

Outstanding

Interculturalist Award. His teaching, research, and publications focused on cross-cultural

teaching and training of social work practitioners and the effect of skin color and race on

the mental health of Latinos, and he was named as a Who's Who in American Education.

A scholar to the end, he had recently submitted a review of implicit racial bias in the

psychosocial treatment of Latinos.

Frank was devoted to his family. Witty and charming to the end, he had an infectious

personality and positive outlook on life, never met a stranger, and was admired by all

who met him. Frank and Jean traveled extensively and visited places around the world.

We are devastated by our loss and will always miss his loving presence, ready smile and

frequent laughter.

Interment with full military honors will be held at 1:15 pm on December 12, 2017, at Ft.

Sam Houston National Cemetery. Memorial service will follow at 3 pm at University

Presbyterian Church in San Antonio.

Cemetery Details

Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery

1520 Harry Wurzbach
San Antonio, TX 78209

Previous Events

Graveside Service

DEC 12. 1:15 PM (CT)

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

Memorial Service

DEC 12. 3:00 PM (CT)

University Presbyterian Church
300 Bushnell Ave
San Antonio, TX

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“ *Eric Schaper purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Dr. Frank Flores Montalvo, DSW, LTC (Ret).*



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