



S/MSgt James "Jim" L.R. Garza, USAF (Ret.)

December 17, 1943 - December 17, 2020

James "Jim" L.R. Garza, 77, of San Antonio, Texas, left this life to be with his Lord on Thursday, December 17, 2020. He was born December 17, 1943 in Savannah, Georgia, Jim was the son of Lawrence R. and Anne M. (Greene) Garza of Greer, South Carolina, both of whom predeceased him.

Jim was married to Peggy C. Crisson, of Greer, on May 23, 1964, they raised two daughters, Robin and Lisa, and shared a life together until Peggy's death on January 8, 2011.

In June of 1962, Jim enlisted in the U.S. Air Force, and retired in 1989 with the rank of Senior Master Sergeant (SMSgt). He was a Veteran of the Vietnam War, and was awarded the Bronze Star, and the Meritorious Service Medal.

He was an avid hunter, gun and coin collector, and a skilled carpenter, Jim enjoyed working with his hands, reading, sharing times with his friends, and a good John Wayne western.

Jim married his second wife, Hortencia B. Garza, in December 2011, and is

survived by his wife; his 2 daughters, Robin Escamilla (Rick), and Lisa Garza; step-son Jerry Flores; 13 grandchildren Megan Cordero (Nathan), Wesley Escamilla (Rianna), Luke Linsten (Shelbie), Levi Linsten, Anthony Carter, Michael Carter, Natalie Flores, Dominic Flores, Jacob Flores (Bianca), Trey Flores, Emily Flores, Anthony Flores, and Monroe Pineda; 10 great-grandchildren Ethan Cordero, Isaiah Cordero, Easton Escamilla, Dexter Linsten, Brent Vaughn, Benny Vaughn, Iliana Flores, JD Flores, Alex Flores, and Juliet Tapia, all of Texas; and his brother John E. Garza (Leslie), and sister Diana G. Heath (Danny), of South Carolina; as well as many nieces, nephews, and friends.

Private services will be held on Saturday, December 26, 2020 at 8:30 a.m. at Mission Park North Chapel. Interment with Full Military Honors will be held immediately following at Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Jim's favorite charity, the Disabled American Veterans www.dav.org

Cemetery Details

Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery

1520 Harry Wurzbach
San Antonio, TX 78209

Tribute Wall



“ *Mission Park Funeral Chapels & Cemeteries created a Webcast in memory of S/MSgt James "Jim" L.R. Garza, USAF (Ret.)*



Mission Park Funeral Chapels & Cemetery - December 25, 2020 at 11:21 AM

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Watching service. Can't hear the speaker. Just music. Love y'all. Tom and Connie Crick

Tom and Connie Crick - December 26, 2020 at 09:58 AM

CJ

“ Jim was a very fine friend and a person I could talk talk to.

We could share memories of our Military Service or any subject.

*Jim would always be true and share his view point on the subject.
Jim, would often show*

*me his gun collection, He had an arsenal of weapons that could
hold off a small army.*

*He will be missed. Peace be with you Jim because you're in the
arms of the Father now.*

Much love, God be with his wife Nancy and family.

Charlie & Toy

charlie hicks jr - December 26, 2020 at 09:58 AM

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“ Thoughts and prayers are with the family during this difficult time
and the days ahead. May you feel the presence on God as He
wraps His arms around you. Lean on Him for strength, comfort and
peace. ❤️🙏

Patty Conner - December 21, 2020 at 06:20 AM

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Robin Escamilla - December 20, 2020 at 10:21 PM