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Jerold Hjelmstad, 77, passed away on Saturday, February 6, 2021, in San Antonio, TX. He was born on March 3, 1943, in Shepherd Township, ND, to his parents, Jerome and Gladys Hjelmstad. After high school graduation, he joined the United States Air Force. While stationed in San Antonio, he met the love of his life, Yolanda. Jerold served his country for 25 years and retired as a Major.

Next, Jerold and Yolanda owned a Minuteman Press in downtown San Antonio. Jerold also worked as an accounting manager for a few organizations and businesses in the San Antonio area before his final retirement in 2006.

Jerold enjoyed his retirement years by studying horticulture, traveling with his wife and friends, as well as visiting his children and grandchildren.

Jerold was known for his quiet, friendly demeanor, dry sense of humor and devotion to his family.

Jerold is survived by his beloved wife of 53 years, Yolanda Mercado

Hjelmstad of San Antonio; son Stephen Hjelmstad and wife Yunqiu (Mina) of Honolulu, HI, daughter Stephanie Sullivan and husband Chip of Eldorado, TX; grandchildren Levi Sullivan, Lucas Sullivan and Isabella Hjelmstad; sisters Joyola Olsen, Judy (Lynn) Brown, and JoEllen (Mike) Thacker; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Services have changed due to weather.

Visitation will begin on Friday, February 19, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. with a funeral service to begin at 2 p.m. at Mission Park Funeral Chapels South. Interment will follow at Mission Burial Park South.

In accordance with CDC Covid-19 safety protocols, there will be limited seating for the services, as well as mask wearing and social distancing. You may go to www.missionparks.com for live streaming.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the San Antonio Food Bank.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 19. 1:00 PM (CT)

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

Funeral Service

FEB 19. 2:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels South, Cemeteries & Crematories
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San Antonio, TX 78214
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<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Interment

FEB 19 (CT)

Mission Burial Park South
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<http://www.missionparks.com>

Tribute Wall



“ *Mission Park Funeral Chapels & Cemeteries created a Webcast in memory of Jerold F. Hjelmstad*



Mission Park Funeral Chapels & Cemetery - February 08, 2021 at 06:31 PM

SR

Keeping you and family close in thought as you mourn your loved one. May God bring you peace in this difficult time.

Sylvia Rodela (Del Webb HCR)

Sylvia Rodela - February 10, 2021 at 05:50 PM



May the Lord comfort family and friends. May He Rest In Peace . Love Charolette Aboytes

Charolette Garcia-aboytes - February 11, 2021 at 02:13 PM

CS

No picture or sound!

Carolyn M Sukey - February 19, 2021 at 03:07 PM

CS

No sound or motion on the Hjelmstad video. Very disappointing.

Carolyn Sukey - February 19, 2021 at 03:16 PM

GF

Could never get it to work.

Gerald Fitzgerald - February 19, 2021 at 03:42 PM

JT

Extremely disappointing for Jerry's sister in Minnesota.

JoEllen Thacker - February 19, 2021 at 03:54 PM

JB

*Will it be available later? I am very disappointed.
Judy Brown
(sister from North Dakota)*

Judy Brown - February 19, 2021 at 04:03 PM

JW

The service was beautiful, and I am so sorry the live streaming was not successful.

Judy Wilmoth - February 19, 2021 at 08:54 PM

DF

“ *It is with great sadness that I learn of the passing of my old friend Jerry. My mind wanders back to our High School years in Edinburg, ND where we had so much fun together, our paths have crossed only a few times over the years but they were memorable. My condolences go out to Yolanda, his wonderful wife of over 50 years, his children and his entire family, he will be missed, Rest in peace old friend.*

*Dave Folson,
Albuquerque, NM*

Dave Folson - February 14, 2021 at 08:37 AM

KK

“ *Best buddies all through high school. I will always have wonderful memories of the great times we had together. Playing sports, roaming through the woods hunting, picking rocks and hauling bales for Grydes, going to dances, etc. I went with him when he joined the air force. I will cherish his friendship and memory forever*
Ken

Ken Kadlec - February 11, 2021 at 04:08 PM

SG

“ *Our deepest condolences to Yolanda and Family.
Sylvia Garcia (Castillo from Hansford St.)*

Sylvia Garcia - February 10, 2021 at 04:57 PM

NO

“ *We worked together one summer measuring fields for Walsh County ASC. We lived in tent east of Fairdale for a few days in a cow pasture. There was a bull in that pasture that kept our attention from time to time. Good memories. Cooked meals over an open fire.*

Norm - February 09, 2021 at 09:26 PM

SG

*Our deepest condolences Yolanda and family.
Sylvia Garcia (Castillo from Hansford St.)*

Sylvia Garcia - February 10, 2021 at 04:55 PM

JB

When we were growing up, I tried to be a helpful big sister. Jerold and a friend used to trap gophers in a pasture close to Fairdale. One day they caught a skink and couldn't figure out how to get it out of the trap. I decided I should help. We took a bat out to the pasture and I was going to hit it so it would die. When I hit it, I got sprayed! Mom was not happy with me and even after changing clothes and a bath, no one wanted to be by me!

Judy Brown

Judy Brown - February 12, 2021 at 10:17 AM

CS

The Upper Springs neighbors at HCR will surely miss Jerry, our gentle, clever neighbor. He always had a smile. Hugs to Yolanda and her family during this terribly sad time made even more difficult by the arctic blast we are experiencing. May you find peace in happy memories and in knowing that Jerry rests in God's arms now.

Carolyn M Sukey - February 18, 2021 at 06:45 PM

VL

Having recently arrived from Upstate New York in 2011, and needing to take Maria-Ines, my wife, to the Lighthouse for the Blind in San Antonio, I found myself in a quandary: I found driving in San Antonio threatening. At 78, my reflexes were too slow for the fast erratic lane changes many San Antonio drivers are wont to make. I asked my wife to ask Yolanda if Jerry knew of a safe, simple way to get to the Light House without my having to go through any of the main highways. His and Yolanda's reply: They would pick us up, and drive us to the Lighthouse and back. This event introduced me to Jerry, a quiet cheerful man, who was ready to lend a hand at a moment's notice. Those kind of events multiplied over the years. Jerry offered his help to us and to others several times. He was a volunteer for Meals on Wheels. Being the modest man that he was, we are not sure Jerry would have appreciated our comments, but we feel that in the sometimes sad world that we live in, the quiet, cheerful heroes of the ordinary good deed need to be celebrated. They remind us of the Divine touch in humankind. Our condolences to our dear friend, Yolanda (Yoli), and family members. God speed, Jerry!
Vicente and Maria-Ines Lozano

Vicente Lozano - February 19, 2021 at 01:03 AM

GF

Jerry was a great friend and will be greatly missed. We made a few trips with Jerry and Yolanda and always had a great time. He will be missed.

Gerald Fitzgerald - February 19, 2021 at 12:39 PM