



## Joe V. Garcia Jr.

October 11, 1937 - July 4, 2025

Joe V. Garcia, Jr. was born on October 11, 1937, in San Antonio, Texas to Joe and Elvira Garcia. He went to be with the Lord on July 4, 2025.

He is preceded in death by his wife of 63 years, Esther R Garcia, by his parents Joe S. Garcia and Elvira V. Garcia and by his great-granddaughter Luna Esther Evangeline.

Joe is survived by his siblings Louie (Oralia) Garcia, Mary Jane Nanes, Richard (Rosa) Garcia and Carolyn Garcia; his children Joe III (Maria G) Garcia, Debbie (Edward) Millman, Christina (Alonzo) Garcia, and Carlos (Kim) Garcia; his grandchildren Joe IV (Vicky), James (Melanie), Marisa (Bryan), Matthew (Syafiqah), Diego, Araceli, Santiago, Ian, Evangaline, and Alvaro; his great-grandchildren Lexus, Elijah, Alex (Alexandra), Isabel and Mila; his great-great-grandchildren Aryani and Zavian and numerous nephews and nieces.

Joe was a long time and integral employee of the South Texas Blood and Tissue Bank until he retired in 2005. He started with Southwest Blood Services in 1962 in San Antonio, moved to Laredo, Texas to run its operations for a few years, returned to San Antonio and was one of the original employees of the new South Texas Regional Blood and Tissue Bank in 1974. He was a fixture at the blood bank and received numerous awards throughout his career.

Joe was an avid hunter and fisherman. He enjoyed making wine, creating tile

mosaics, painting, going to flea markets, trips to Las Vegas, and Cabo San Lucas (even getting stuck in a hurricane) with his beloved wife Esther.

# Cemetery Details

## San Fernando Cemetery #2

746 Castroville Rd.  
San Antonio, TX 78237

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 9. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels Cherry Ridge  
3401 Cherry Ridge Dr  
San Antonio, TX 78230  
(210) 349-1414  
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

## Recitation of the Rosary

JUL 9. 6:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels Cherry Ridge  
3401 Cherry Ridge Dr  
San Antonio, TX 78230  
(210) 349-1414  
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## Funeral Mass

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JUL **10**. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Paul Catholic Church  
350 Sutton Dr.  
San Antonio, TX 78228

*Procession to San Fernando #2 following mass.*

# Tribute Wall

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“ It's with a heavy heart that the news of Joe's passing has been received. He was more than just a boss; He was a mentor and a true friend. He will be deeply missed 🙏💔

Sara Lopez - July 09, 2025 at 05:17 PM

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“ Joe was a wonderful coworker, and I had the pleasure of listening to his stories of how he first started with the Blood Bank and the index cards that were used back in the day with the donor's information and how they collected blood. There were so many stories that you shared with me, and thankful to be able share those same stories with DS trainees to this day.  
Joe you will be dearly missed. Suzie D.

Suzie Dominguez - July 09, 2025 at 04:35 PM

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“ The Mata Family purchased the Forever Our Angel Bouquet for the family of Joe V. Garcia Jr..



The Mata Family - July 08, 2025 at 09:41 PM