



## Juanito Pojol Villaraza

March 8, 1941 - May 16, 2024

JUANITO P. VILLARAZA SR (aka Papa John), born March 8th, 1941, in Sipocot Camarines Sur, Philippines. Son of Leon S. and Mamerta P. Villaraza, Papa John was the 7th sibling of 11 brothers and sisters. Papa John is survived by one brother, Manuel, and two sisters, Leonora, and Gloria. Papa John proudly served in the U.S Army, retiring as a Veteran of twenty years, during which time he was stationed in Germany, Korea, Fort Polk, Fort Knox and Fort Campbell. Papa John served as a Tank mechanic. Papa John completed his GED and graduated with an Associate Degree in Mechanical Engineering at Cochise College, Bisbee, Arizona. Upon retirement, Papa John went on to teach vehicle mechanics abroad. Papa John leaves behind his loving wife of 59 years, Aurora Villaraza (aka Mama Au). Papa John was a loving son and a devoted husband, who raised five children, Noel, married to Rose, John Jr., married to Allyn, Janet, married to Stanley, Johnaur, and Jerome, married to Sally, and also mention, Leonida, married to Roberto Dykstra (sons, Lionel and Virgo), who are considered to be family. Papa John is also the proud grandfather of 14 grandchildren, Roniel, married to Sarah, Kyle, Janale, DJ, Joseph, Jacob, Avy, married to Darnel, Jasmin, Nathan, Arielle, Christianna, Jenna, Elisha and Samira, and great-grandfather of 4 great grandchildren, Leilani, Elana, Elijah and Rumble. Papa John served with his wife, Mama Au, for 23 years, as Leader of the Seniors, referred to as “The Golden Harvest”, at Harvest City church. On May 16th, 2024, Papa John went on to be with our Lord, at the age of 83. Papa John was surrounded by his

wife, Mama Au, and his immediate family, at the time of his passing. Papa John will be missed by many, including Papa John's extensive family, friends, and fellow parishioners alike. We will all miss Papa John dearly.

# Cemetery Details

## Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery

1520 Harry Wurzbach  
San Antonio, TX 78209

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAY 29.** 4:00 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/>

## Funeral Service

**MAY 30.** 12:00 PM (CT)

Harvest City Church  
4906 Stahl Rd.  
San Antonio, TX 78217

## Interment

**MAY 30.** 2:00 PM (CT)

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