



Margarito Ignacio Riojas

September 20, 1936 - August 2, 2021

Margarito Ignacio Riojas born in San Antonio, Texas on September 20, 1936 went to be with the Lord on August 2, 2021 at the age of 84. He is preceded in death by his parents Margarito I. Riojas Sr. and Maria V. Riojas. Survivors include his devoted wife of 53 years Rebeca G. Riojas, sons Carlos Ignacio Riojas, Gamaliel Riojas, Abraham Riojas, grandson Aaron Ignacio Riojas, great granddaughter Aria Lynn Riojas, other loving family members and friends. Margarito was a member of La Trinidad United Methodist Church. After completing his required service in the U.S. Army, upon returning from South Korea, he was employed by Baptist Memorial Hospital in the Engineering Department. During his time at the hospital he happened to meet a beautiful young registered nurse named Rebeca Gonzalez who invited him to a service at Iglesia Bautista El Calvario. He then made a decision to become a member of El Calvario through Baptism. This decision began a lifelong service for the Lord. Soon after Margarito wed Rebeca together they started a new, wonderful and challenging life. Attending El Calvario he sought to become a more active member by teaching Sunday School, setting up for a myriad of events along with special church celebrations, designing/managing many different audio systems for diverse needs, presiding over various church business meetings and eventually becoming a Trustee for El Calvario. Margarito served as a treasurer for San Antonio Mexican Baptist Association as well as with San Antonio Baptist Association, in different capacities. He attended numerous state conventions. Margarito loved to travel by driving to

multiple states and had extensive vacations into Mexico with his family. Always seeking guidance from the Lord that he loved, "Hermano Margarito" gave and accepted the love/respect from church members throughout the years. Those that knew him, loved him dearly and he will be sorely missed, but not forgotten. His dry wit and wisdom might describe his passing like this: "Mourning a loss is natural, dwelling on it, is not. Seek God, find God and know that the Lord shall provide. We get what we need through Him, not always what we want."

Public viewing will begin on Thursday, August 12, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. at Iglesia Bautista El Calvario followed by a celebration of life service to begin at 6:30 p.m. A graveside ceremony will be held on Friday, August 13, 2021 at 11:30 a.m. at Mission Retama Cemetery with a procession leaving from Iglesia Bautista El Calvario at 11:00 a.m.

Cemetery Details

Mission Retama Cemetery

15940 Lookout Road
San Antonio, TX 78202
(210) 967-4242
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 12. 5:00 PM (CT)

Iglesia Bautista El Calvario
2522 W. Houston St.
San Antonio, TX 78207

Celebration of Life

AUG 12. 6:30 PM (CT)

Iglesia Bautista El Calvario
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San Antonio, TX 78207

Graveside Service with a procession from Iglesia Bautista de Calvario at 11:00 a.m.

AUG 13. 11:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *The Hernandez Family purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Margarito Ignacio Riojas.* ”



The Hernandez Family - August 12, 2021 at 01:13 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Margarito Ignacio Riojas.* ”



August 10, 2021 at 09:57 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Margarito Ignacio Riojas.* ”



August 09, 2021 at 09:45 AM