



## Mario Acevedo

August 19, 1952 - June 26, 2024

Mario Acevedo 71, sailed into the setting sun to be with our Lord Jesus Christ on June 26th 2024. He was born in San Antonio, Texas on August 19, 1952. He was preceded in death by his father and mother Atanacio 'Tony' Acevedo, Maria "Cookie" Carmona Acevedo, and his brother Sergio Acevedo.

He leaves behind two daughters Celina Monique Acevedo and Mirella Elisa Acevedo Mesa (Ramiro), two granddaughters Marisol Ariana Mesa and Karolynna Starr Acevedo Mesa. Also, Brothers Rolando Acevedo (Hermelinda), Jaime Acevedo (Josefina), Benito Acevedo.

He also has many nieces, nephews, godsons, goddaughters and many friends, associates and people who will never forget his beautiful and facetious mannerisms.

Mario is survived by his wife Deborah Acevedo where they resided in The Villages, Florida.

Mario Acevedo graduated from Thomas Jefferson High School in 1970. He contemplated becoming a seminarian as he served as an altar boy for many years at Sacred Heart. Instead, he pioneered a new family tradition by joining the United States Navy. He Served on the USS Sierra and Mount Whitney, eventually retiring as a Chief Petty Officer.

In 1985, Mario graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from the University of Texas San Antonio. He worked civil service at Kelly AFB until it closed and was reassigned to Charleston, SC. He ended his career from civil service in Warner Robbins, GA and retired to The

Villages, Florida.

Although his career ended, his work continued as a teacher of Spanish at The Villages University, volunteered for soup kitchens, delivery person for meals on wheels, and consistent participation in the Knights of Columbus as a Knight, Grand Knight, and District Warden.

Mario had an incredibly enigmatic, yet gregarious character. He loved to dance and pursued learning many varieties of dance styles through ballroom dancing lessons. He left a permanent impression on every person he met. His creativity, humor, and adventurous nature is instilled in all who loved him. He was surrounded by friends and family when he left this world. He will be dearly missed, and as he always said, he was “just passing through.”

In lieu of flowers ....

Mario's wishes were to instead donate to:

Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society Make a Difference. Donate Today.

(nmcrs.org) 875 N. Randolph St. Ste. 225 Arlington, VA 22203

800.654.8364

Or

Because of his love for basset hounds, donations can be made in his memory

To

Basset Buddies Rescue of Texas 5200 James Lane

Fulshear, TX 77441 [www.bbbrtx.org](http://www.bbbrtx.org)

# Cemetery Details

## Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery

1520 Harry Wurzbach Rd.  
San Antonio, TX 78209

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 17. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels North Cherry Ridge  
3401 Cherry Ridge Drive  
San Antonio, TX 78230

## Rosary

JUL 17. 6:00 PM (CT)

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3401 Cherry Ridge Drive  
San Antonio, TX 78230

## Mass of Resurrection

JUL 18. 10:00 AM (CT)

Saint Mathew Catholic Church  
10703 Wurzbach Rd  
San Antonio, Tx 78230



# Tribute Wall



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Mario Acevedo.*



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July 17, 2024 at 12:15 PM



“ *HEB Meat Plant purchased the Simply Elegant S pathiphyllum for the family of Mario Acevedo.*



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**HEB Meat Plant** - July 17, 2024 at 08:32 AM



“ *We shared thirteen wonderful years of marriage. I miss your kind manner toward me, your great sense of humor, and especially the love you had for me and your family. I'll never stop loving you. Your wife, Debbie*

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**Debbie Acevedo** - July 14, 2024 at 10:01 PM



“ *Sincere condolences to family and friends. Party with your dear friend Ruben Montez who welcomes you in heaven! Sorry for your loss!*

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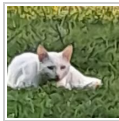
**Maria Guadalupe Montez** - July 08, 2024 at 06:43 PM

IL

“ To The Daughters and Granddaughters of Mario Acevedo: Celina, Mirella, Marisol and Carolina. I send you my heartfelt condolences on the loss of your father/ grandfather. Eternal rest grant to him O Lord, and may the perpetual light of Christ shine upon him. May his soul, thru the mercy of God, rest in peace. I love you all. Ilza.



ilza - July 07, 2024 at 10:43 PM



Thank you 💕

Celina Acevedo - July 10, 2024 at 03:25 AM

BG

Mario was a shining example of a good dad and the nicest father many of Celina's friends knew in real life. He was like the dads we saw on TV, but better because he was real. The friends who grew up alongside the Acevedos on Applegate are blessed with many memories that helped make us who we are. 🌸🌸🌸

Bonnie Cisneros-De La Garza - July 14, 2024 at 10:34 PM

GO

“ Gomez/McCarty purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mario Acevedo.



Gomez/McCarty - July 07, 2024 at 08:19 PM

SK

“ SMSgt Antonio Ruiz-USAFA Retired & Kathy purchased the My Soul Lives On Blanket for the family of Mario Acevedo.



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**SMSgt Antonio Ruiz-USAFA Retired & Kathy** - July 06, 2024 at 05:06 AM

SR

“ My sincere condolences to Mario's family. I graduated from Thomas Jefferson High School a year after Mario in 1971. He was an exceptional friend, a great American Patriot, and fellow Veteran. He commanded the Crimson Guard Varsity Armed Drill Team during my Junior year. An outstanding commander, he was the key player in our training insuring we understood the importance of attention to detail, military bearing, uniformity, and discipline. His teachings not only resulted in a year of successes in 1970, but also laid a strong foundation that insured future championship victories the following year for the Crimson Guard Drill Team such as the 1970 St. Mary's University Drill Competition as well as the 1971 City Championship at Alamo Stadium winning 1st place honors in each category, a first-ever "Clean Sweep" for our unit. Those were the days. His obituary says it all. An Absolutely Great Individual in all areas of life. Thanks again for the memories. You will be missed, but God has welcomed a true Christian Patriot to his home in Heaven. Rest-In-Peace, my brother. Love you. Respectfully, Smokey.

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**SMSgt Antonio Ruiz (USAFA Retired)** - July 06, 2024 at 04:46 AM



“ *If I could live a thousand lifetimes, and the choice was up to me  
I'd never choose another earthly man  
To be the dad of me  
CMAaGA 78*

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**Celina Acevedo** - July 05, 2024 at 08:58 PM

MB

*My condolences and prayers to mr acevedo family God bless you all*

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**margie benavidez** - July 08, 2024 at 06:43 PM