



## Michael E. Poole

September 22, 1945 - July 27, 2022

A loving father, grandfather, brother, uncle and friend, Michael Eugene Poole went to be with the Lord on July 27, 2022, at the age of 76, in San Antonio, TX. He was born on September 22, 1945 in Wichita Falls, TX. He is preceded in death by his parents, Cecil and Dorothea Poole and son, Michael Andrew Luis Poole. Michael is survived by his loving daughter, Angelica Poole Villarreal (Frank); granddaughter, Rylie Eva Villarreal; mother of his children, Ninfa Gamez Poole; daughter-in-law, Melissa Merritt; sisters, Judith Cantrell (Dave) and Sandra Rasmussen, and numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

He spent his early life on the Air Force Base in Japan, the first of many trips he would take and live there while his father was in the Air Force. After graduating from high school in 1964 from Highlands High School in San Antonio, he enlisted in the Air Force and became a part of the military police. He served with his best friend Rudy Servantes, and was always very proud of being a part of the military police. He would often share stories of his time guarding air planes while stationed in Japan and at Lackland in San Antonio. After he was honorably discharged in October 1968, he was in the Air Force Reserves until 1970. In the 80's and 90's he worked for The San Antonio State Hospital in the behavioral unit and retired in 1998 after nearly 30 years. He loved working with mentally challenged patients, he was always extremely patient and didn't get upset or frustrated very often with them, as he always was with his children. His downtime from work included playing video games

with his kids, watching tv shows and teaching his kids to cook. He was an excellent cook and loved to not only make great food but enjoy what he was eating, his favorite to make would be spaghetti and chili. After he retired, he was happiest in a routine of taking care of his dogs and going out to eat with whoever was available. He loved to try new food with his family, and would often try every restaurant and taco house, regardless of where it was in the city. He always enjoyed when family would get together to celebrate birthdays and anniversaries and holidays. He loved talking to his extended family, He was a peaceful, easygoing person, who didn't often get upset or frustrated. When his first grandchild, Rylie, was born, he was overjoyed. He would take her out as he did his children to the store and to eat as often as possible. He would spoil her every way he could and more. The last 5 years were spent with his daughters family in their home. He was extremely grateful that he could spend more time watching his granddaughter grow up and that he could share dinner together almost every night. He would spend his days relaxing peacefully watching new tv shows and playing games on his computer.

Visitation will be on Wednesday, August 31, 2022 from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. with a Prayer Service to begin at 6:00 p.m. at Mission Park Funeral Chapels South. Funeral Service will be on Thursday, September 1, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. at Mission Park South. Graveside Service will begin at 1:15 p.m. at Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery

1520 Harry Wurzbach Rd.  
San Antonio, TX 78209

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 31.** 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

## Prayer Service

**AUG 31.** 6:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels South, Cemeteries & Crematories  
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## Funeral Service

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SEP 1. 11:00 AM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels South, Cemeteries & Crematories  
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San Antonio, TX 78214  
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## Graveside Service

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SEP 1. 1:15 PM (CT)

Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery  
1520 Harry Wurzbach Rd  
San Antonio, TX 78209  
(210) 820-3891

# Tribute Wall

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“ Mike was a very nice and great guy. He never did seem unhappy, even if he had a bad day when I would see him. He was one of those that seem really genuine with what he did and how he did it. He will be missed by all. May he rest in peace, and may God bless his family during this time.

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**Eli Gamez** - September 03, 2022 at 08:22 AM

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“ Juanita David Ann and Rick purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Michael E. Poole.



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**Juanita David Ann and Rick** - August 26, 2022 at 01:05 PM

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“ Michael "Dad" was such a loving person. I enjoyed the time we spent together and talked. When Mikey passed away he told me that I would always be family. He always knew what to say. I miss him and will continue to miss him, however, I know he is no longer suffering and is so happy to be reunited with my love Mikey. I can see them now laughing, talking, and are watching over all of us. It's not goodbye but until we meet again.

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**Melissa Merritt** - August 23, 2022 at 10:53 PM