



Raymond "Cuate" V. De La Vega

November 9, 1948 - June 19, 2022

Raymond "Cuate" V. De La Vega, age 73, entered into rest on June 19, 2022, in San Antonio, Texas. He was born on November 9, 1948, in San Antonio, Texas. He was preceded in death by his parents Bonifacio and Estela De La Vega; sisters Cristela Alfaro, Catalina Hernandez and Carmen Ortega. He is survived by his loving wife, going on 53 years, Dora G. De La Vega; daughter Martha Ann Johnson (Bill Johnson); sons Ray De La Vega (Tanya De La Vega) and Rene De La Vega (Isabel De La Vega); sisters Frances Lopez and Estela Mireles; brothers Bonifacio De La Vega, Retired MSGT Robert De La Vega, Juan Manuel De La Vega, Retired Lt. Col. Jorge De La Vega, Joe De La Vega and Retired TSGT Carlos De La Vega. He is also survived by 9 grandchildren Ryan, Annabelle, Jaclyn, Joseph, Rene Jr., Elijah, Taylor, Chad and Alan; numerous nieces and nephews, many other family members and friends. He was loved by all and will be deeply missed.

Raymond (Cuate) served in the Army as a Combat Medic during the Vietnam War. He earned the Good Conduct Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal with one Bronze Service Star, Combat Medical Badge, Sharp Shooter Badge with Rifle Bar, and Marksman Badge with Rifle Bar. He was proud of his military service.

His greatest love and passion was his family. He loved a full house and never missed calling on a birthday or anniversary. The unexpected phone call to

check-in and tell us he was thinking about us and he loved us will be missed dearly. He never forgot a face. Everyone he met, became a friend.

He loved bowling and at times he was in multiple leagues, always trying to perfect his game. However, in reality, it was not about the game, it was about spending time with those he loved. Taking short road trips to Kickapoo was another pastime he truly enjoyed. Sometimes he enjoyed it too much. He also loved working in his yard, especially taking care of his precious Esperanzas.

Raymond will always be in our hearts and forever loved. Thank you Dad for being a loving husband, father, and grandfather. You showed us what family is truly about, and we will live by your example.

Cemetery Details

San Jose Burial Park

8235 Mission RD
San Antonio, TX 78214
(210) 923-0272
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 26. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Brookehill Funeral Home
711 SE Military Dr
San Antonio, TX 78214
(210) 923-7523
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Rosary

JUN 26. 6:00 PM (CT)

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Departure

JUN 27. 9:30 AM (CT)

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Graveside Service

JUN 27. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

IF

“ *Isbell Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Raymond "Cuate" V. De La Vega.*



Isbell Family - June 27, 2022 at 11:28 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Raymond "Cuate" V. De La Vega.*



June 27, 2022 at 08:54 AM

MM

“ *A very nice and noble man I met known him a long time was a very kind heart man*



Mercedes Martinez - June 27, 2022 at 08:26 AM

EC

“ You will be missed tio ray thank you for the wonderful memories you left and all the conversations and long talks from as Little as I can remember to as older as I got you are true defention of a warrior you fought a hard battle at the end and I hope u are at peace now love you from Elizabeth cantu and the kids



Elizabeth cantu - June 25, 2022 at 08:01 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Raymond "Cuate" V. De La Vega.



June 25, 2022 at 10:05 AM



“ Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Raymond "Cuate" V. De La Vega.



June 23, 2022 at 07:30 PM

RV

“ Ray defines a great person, and neighbor, he was a good friend to us for well over thirty years



He was always willing to help out with whatever task Rick was doing

Ray was very proud of his family, he was always happy, we have never seen Ray mad, let alone angry

He fed many of our dogs over the years when we were out of town, that was huge for us

Sometimes Ray would cut our front yard simply because he was bored

He was not a tree trimmer but he has trimmed our trees a few times, when we were out of town...:)

He also enjoyed his vehicles over the years he would handwash and wax them for hours

He's a very good man and we will miss him, and his bright smile, dearly

Hazel will miss him too

God Bless you, Dora, and family...Rest In Peace, our Friend

Your neighbors-Rick & Valarie

Rick and Valerie - June 23, 2022 at 01:51 PM

CR

“ Raymond was my friend Ricky’s uncle. He lived across the street from him and was the nicest person you would ever meet! He taught me how to tint windows and was always there to help! He loved Cadillac car’s and his family! Thanks so much Raymond! Ray, I’m sorry brother! From Arizona sending my condolences!!

carlos rojad - June 23, 2022 at 01:33 PM

CY

“ My condolence to you and to your family Staff at Brookehill Funeral Home.



Cynthia - June 23, 2022 at 01:25 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Raymond "Cuate" V. De La Vega.



June 23, 2022 at 12:37 PM

MI

“ Raymond, Every day at work you gave a smile & greeted us all at the 1827th. I will miss our talks and all the laughs we had. You were a very kind man to me and to all the people we worked for. I have such great memories of you & all the great things you did for others. Always giving of yourself. I know you will be missed by us here on earth. You will be in a better place hurting no more. Thanks for being my friend.



MikeV - June 22, 2022 at 11:02 AM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Raymond "Cuate" V. De La Vega.



June 22, 2022 at 09:17 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Raymond "Cuate" V. De La Vega.



June 21, 2022 at 11:21 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Raymond "Cuate" V. De La Vega.



June 21, 2022 at 04:19 PM



“ Thank you PoPo for loving us and and for making us feel part of the family. We love you and we will see you again one day. ❤️ Tanya and Elijah



Tanya De La Vega - June 21, 2022 at 03:36 PM



“ Forever a proud son. Love Ray



Ray De La Vega - June 21, 2022 at 03:21 PM



Sorry Ray, your dad was the best! They don't make them like that anymore!!

carlos rojas - June 23, 2022 at 01:38 PM

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“ Last night my cousin Raymond De La Vega passed away. A Vietnam Veteran and Combat Medic during that conflict, Raymond was my inspiration to serve my country. I remember being four years old and attending his wedding; seeing him in his Army greens is a memory I will never forget. He loved people and he loved the people he saved.

One of the last conversations I had with Raymond was about the Vietnam War as he shared with me what it was like to meet one of his combat patients, whom he bandaged up and stabilized for transport to the battalion aid station. Raymond talked about seeing his former patient at the Veterans Clinic and the joy it brought him to be thanked for saving this man's life. Cuate as Raymond was affectionally known; you will be truly missed primo and fellow combat veteran!!!! Praying for you and your family!!!

V/R

Maj. (Retired) Enrique Tamez Vasquez Jr.



Enrique T. Vasquez Jr. (KiKin) - June 20, 2022 at 11:51 PM



“ Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Raymond "Cuate" V. De La Vega.



June 20, 2022 at 09:52 PM

EM

“ Brother...you will truly be missed. You left so many wonderful memories that will help ease the pain in our hearts. You had many loving ways...you had a heart of gold...just like Mama. I will carry you in my heart until my last breath... With all my love, your little sister Estelita 🤗❤️🙏



Estela D. Mireles - June 20, 2022 at 09:52 PM

SR

Tio Cuate, You will truly be missed by me, You understood why I couldn't visit you due to my medical condition, All I can do was waive at you driving by. Thank you for always checking up on me to see if I was ok I will always love you. May you Rest In Peace. From your niece Sylvia

Sylvia Ramos - June 21, 2022 at 12:31 AM

RV

Primo Cuate, we will miss you. As a combat veteran, we shared a few stories. You were there always for all of us. May the gates of Heaven be opened for you.
Ramon G. Vasquez (Mono)

Ramon G. Vasquez - June 22, 2022 at 06:22 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Raymond "Cuate" V. De La Vega.



June 20, 2022 at 09:37 PM

RV

“ Love you dad



Rene De La Vega - June 20, 2022 at 08:23 PM

RV

“ Love You Dad



Rene De La Vega - June 20, 2022 at 08:20 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Raymond "Cuate" V. De La Vega.



June 20, 2022 at 07:07 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Raymond "Cuate" V. De La Vega.



June 20, 2022 at 06:31 PM

IV

“ *Such a loving and caring father-in-law. He will forever be missed!
We love you.*



Isabel La Vega - June 20, 2022 at 06:05 PM

IV

“ *Isabel La Vega lit a candle in memory of
Raymond "Cuate" V. De La Vega*



Isabel La Vega - June 20, 2022 at 06:03 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the
family of Raymond "Cuate" V. De La Vega.*



June 20, 2022 at 05:06 PM



“ I interacted with Mr. De La Vega just a handful of times, but the few times I did, he was genuine, friendly and had a smile that would light up a room. The love and bond he shared with Mrs. De La Vega and his close family was evident. May you Rest In Peace Mr. De La Vega and thank you for your service. Your legacy will live on. Until we meet again.
🙏💕 Maggie Flores



Maggie Flores - June 20, 2022 at 03:57 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Raymond "Cuate" V. De La Vega.



June 20, 2022 at 03:51 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Raymond "Cuate" V. De La Vega.



June 20, 2022 at 03:00 PM