



## Roy Roger Valdez Jr.

January 5, 1951 - January 9, 2021

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Roy Roger Valdez, Jr. He passed away unexpectedly at Metropolitan Methodist Hospital with his wife, Gloria, by his side. Roy went to be with the Lord on January 9, 2021, at the age of 70. He was born January 5, 1951 in San Antonio, TX. He is preceded in death by his parents, Roy and Margaret Valdez, Sr.; and sister, Nancy Konzen. Roy is survived by his wife of over 20 years, Gloria Leija; daughters, Jacqueline Bueché (Ryan) and Amanda Valdez (Ryan Snodgrass); step-children, Aaron Leija (Jennifer) and Alison Guadiano (Michael); sisters, Sylvia De La O and Ida Vincent (George); 7 grandchildren, Elida Morgan Bueché, Henry Fox Bueché, Austin Morgenroth, Adrian Leija, Mikey Guadiano, Dylan Leija and Moxie Guadiano; nieces and nephews; Melissa Bujanos (Roger), Rebecca Tinch, Nikki Vincent, Phillip Vincent (Samantha), Jeffrey Jaeske, Jason Jaeske (Ruth) and Alfred Jaeske, Jr. (Kathy), and other extended family members and friends.

Roy graduated from Luther Burbank High School in 1970 where he was an all-star athlete, excelling in both football and baseball. After high school, he joined the United States Army, and served in Korea. Upon returning to San Antonio in 1973, he moved to Houston, Texas where he started his career in Civil Engineering. During this time, he continued to play baseball in various city leagues. Roy returned to San Antonio in 1981 and continued working in Civil Engineering until his retirement in 2011. Roy loved fishing, barbequing,

dancing, and watching sports. He spent his free time visiting with family, especially his sisters, his cousins, and his mother. He enjoyed working on household projects and helping family and friends. He had a tremendous sense of humor, possessed unparalleled charm, and lit up every room he walked into. Roy was a loving father, husband, grandfather, and friend to everyone he met. He will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

Visitation will be Wednesday, January 27, 2021 from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. with a Rosary to be recited at 6:30 p.m. at Mission Park Funeral Chapels South. Funeral procession will depart the funeral home at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, January 28, 2021 for a Funeral Mass at 10:00 a.m. Holy Name Catholic Church. A Graveside Service will be held on Friday, January 29, 2021 at 10:45 a.m. at Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery

1520 Harry Wurzbach  
San Antonio, TX 78209

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 27. 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/>

## Rosary

JAN 27. 6:30 PM (CT)

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

## Funeral Mass

JAN 28. 10:00 AM (CT)

Holy Name Catholic Church  
3814 Nash Blvd  
San Antonio, TX 78223

## Graveside Service

JAN 29. 10:45 AM (CT)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mission Park Funeral Chapels & Cemeteries created a Webcast in memory of Roy Roger Valdez Jr.*



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**Mission Park Funeral Chapels & Cemetery** - January 14, 2021 at 02:25 PM

RG

*My condolences to the families on Roy's passing. Friend of over fifty three years. May he Rest in Peace.*

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**Ray Garza** - January 14, 2021 at 08:29 PM

RR

*My Heartfelt Condolences and Prayers to the Family of a great friend, Roy. May he Rest In Peace*

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**Robert Rodriguez** - January 18, 2021 at 02:02 PM

RR

*My Heartfelt Condolences and Prayers to the Family of a great friend, Roy. May he Rest In Peace*

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**Robert Rodriguez** - January 18, 2021 at 02:03 PM

RJ

*My condolences go out to all the family members and everybody and Gloria you sure took care of me made him feel comfortable as later days I didn't know Roybal. 5-6 years good fishing buddy good friend rest in peace good buddy love you*

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**Robert L. Hammond jr.** - January 19, 2021 at 07:01 PM

RJ

*I'm sorry I meant to say him you took care of him talk-to-text thing come out right*

**Robert L. Hammond jr.** - January 19, 2021 at 07:04 PM

MS

*God Bless Roy and his family. Rest in Peace.*

**Michael Bueche Sr.** - January 27, 2021 at 07:31 PM



“ *A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Roy Roger Valdez Jr..*



January 28, 2021 at 08:29 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Roy Roger Valdez Jr..*



January 27, 2021 at 01:56 PM

JC

“ *Condolences extended to the Valdez family in honor of Roy's celebration of life. Many great Burbank High School memories of Roy during the days of football and baseball team-great times. Classmate John G. Cortez, BHS '71 , Aggie TAMU '74*

**John G. Cortez** - January 27, 2021 at 11:16 AM

JC

*Correction: Roy and I graduated BHS Class 1970.  
Classmate John G. Cortez BHS '70*

**John G Cortez** - January 27, 2021 at 11:32 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Roy Roger Valdez Jr..*



January 26, 2021 at 02:33 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Roy Roger Valdez Jr..*



January 25, 2021 at 10:12 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Roy Roger Valdez Jr..*



January 24, 2021 at 06:04 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Roy Roger Valdez Jr..*



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January 22, 2021 at 06:11 PM



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**Gloria Leija** - January 22, 2021 at 03:27 AM



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**Gloria Leija** - January 19, 2021 at 09:55 AM



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Gloria Leija - January 19, 2021 at 12:19 AM



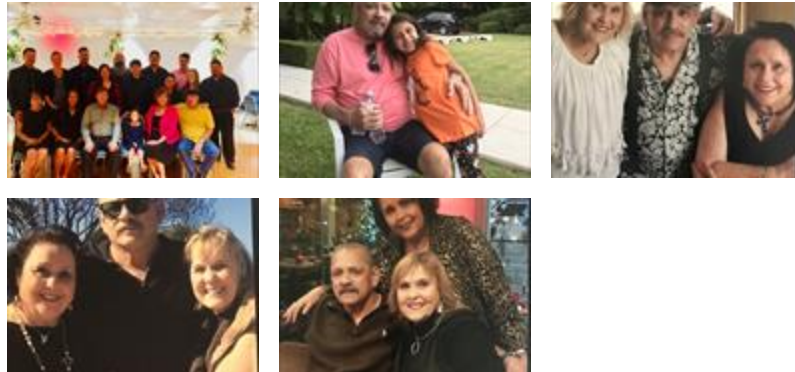
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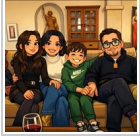
Gloria Leija - January 19, 2021 at 12:14 AM



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Gloria Leija - January 18, 2021 at 11:43 PM



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**Jacqui Bueche** - January 18, 2021 at 10:45 PM

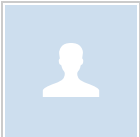


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**Gloria Leija** - January 18, 2021 at 10:33 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Roy Roger Valdez Jr..



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January 18, 2021 at 11:57 AM

YB

“ Your aunt & uncle Dolores & Paul Briones purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Roy Roger Valdez Jr..



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**Your aunt & uncle Dolores & Paul Briones** - January 17, 2021  
at 02:13 PM

RR

“ My sincere condolences to all the Valdez family. He was a great friend to everyone he knew. May he Rest In Peace in God,s house with no more pain.



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**Rosalinda Rabago** - January 17, 2021 at 01:41 AM

RC

“ This is Roger Colunga and Roy’s was my brother in law back in the day when Roy and my sister Sylvia were together. I looked up to Roy like a big brother I never had. Anyone that knew Roy knew that he was the coolest dude around and I wanted to be like him. I lived with them in Houston back in 79’ for a few months when my personal live was in a bad place. I got a job as a welder and Roy really showed me how to grow up and he the man that I am today. Roy put my under his wing and straighten me up. Back in San Antonio my wife (Irma) and I would always run into Roy and Gloria at NIOSA. We would revisit the old times and always promised to get together soon. We never did. I will forever remember Roy Valdez for what he did for me. Love you my big brother. Rest In Peace.

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**Roger Colunga** - January 16, 2021 at 09:34 PM

DO

“ My name is David Ojeda and went to Burbank in 69-70. During those 2 years I played baseball with Roy in which we won District and bi-District championships. Roy was a key member of our championship team and a team player. I will always remember him funny, witty, and he played baseball enjoying the game and his team mates. Roy you will always be part of me and your name is engraved in my mind and heart. You will always be a Champion to me. I love you man.

*David Ojeda, Pitcher and friend.*

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**David Ojeda** - January 15, 2021 at 12:16 PM



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**Gloria Leija** - January 15, 2021 at 01:51 AM



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**Gloria Leija** - January 15, 2021 at 01:38 AM