



## Ruben C. Hernandez

July 19, 1950 - January 19, 2025

Ruben C Hernandez was called home to be with our Lord on Sunday, January 19th, 2025. He died peacefully at home surrounded by family. Ruben, born in San Antonio, Texas was the oldest of 7 children born to Thomas P. Hernandez and Bertha C. Hernandez. He is preceded in death by his parents, his beloved wife Margaret, beloved son Richard and beloved grandson Luke.

Ruben is survived by his children: Vincent Hernandez, Joseph Hernandez (Crystal), Nicholas Hernandez (Amanda), Michael Hernandez, Ruby Bosnick (Brandon) 12 grandchildren Richard, Felicity, Nicholas, Julian, Aubrey, Madelyn, Charli, Chandler, Gabriella, Cecilia, Zoey and Natalie, 2 great grandchildren, Isabella and Scarlett Rose and 4 brothers, Ronald Hernandez, Frank Hernandez, John Michael Hernandez. Alfred Hernandez and 2 sisters, Gloria Suniga and Rosa Linda Soria.

Ruben was a proud graduate of Fox Tech H.S., class of 1968, He was in the R.O.T.C. which he enjoyed. The weekend following graduation Ruben was at Boot Camp (Camp Pendleton) getting ready to serve in the Marine Corp. He served his country from 1968-1974, He was a proud Vietnam War Veteran.

It was during his time at Camp Pendleton that Ruben met the love of his life, Margaret Lemos. They married. The California girl came to Texas and raised their family here. Ruben and Margaret were married 50 years.

In 1977, Ruben joined the San Antonio Police Department. He served on the SWAT Team (1979-1983). Ruben retired in 2008, having served 31 years.

Ruben enjoyed going fishing, playing poker, storytelling and joking around and telling jokes. Although he was tough, he always had a great sense of humor, if Ruben was around. you'd be laughing before long. He also enjoyed listening to his oldies but goodies music, BBQing, playing the Lottery Scratch-off games where a lot of times he was winning big. He enjoyed watching the Cowboys and Astros games.

Even though Ruben's health was not the best, he would always make it a point to visit his beloved and cherished Margaret's graveside every Sunday. Ruben kept that date till his last days on Earth.

Ruben loved his large and extended family, becoming a grandpa really softened his heart and gave him so much joy and fulfillment seeing his legacy grow before his own eyes. He served God, his family his country and his community. Ruben will be dearly missed by all those he touched with his strength and love.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, February 11, 2025 at 5pm with a Rosary at 6 pm. at Mission Park Funeral Chapels Cherry Ridge. Funeral Mass will be Wednesday, February 12th at 11:00 am at St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church. Interment at 1:00 pm at Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## **Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery**

1520 Harry Wurzbach  
San Antonio, TX 78209

# Previous Events

## **Family Visitation**

FEB 11. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

## **Public Visitation**

FEB 11. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

## **Holy Rosary**

FEB 11. 6:00 PM - 6:30 PM (CT)

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

## **Funeral Mass**

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FEB **12.** 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church  
Clower Street  
San Antonio, TX 78201

## **Committal Service with Military Honors**

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FEB **12.** 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM (CT)

Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery  
1520 Harry Wurzbach  
San Antonio, TX 78209

# Tribute Wall

LS

“ It's been one year ago today that you left us. We celebrate your memory as we celebrated your life....with the love of family. Your are forever in our hearts big brother. Rest in heavenly peace!  
Your siblings



Linda Soria - January 19 at 04:40 PM

LS

“ Happy 75th Birthday Brother! Met a friend of yours at Fort Sam Cemetery today and she share some interesting stories with us about how frequent visitors become close friends while trying to cope and overcome the grief of losing a spouse. She had us teary eyed and so, so proud of you! I guess we didn't know EVERYTHING about you. So here's to you....today....as we celebrate your memory.....SALUD!!!!



Linda Soria and Siblings - July 19, 2025 at 05:35 PM

LM

“ My condolences to my cousin Ruben's, family. May perpetual light shine upon you. Rest in peace Ruben 🙏

Lily Martinez - February 10, 2025 at 08:43 PM

RS

“ I met Ruben while serving together on the SWAT Team Patrol Shift C. We developed a friendship and brotherhood bond during our SWAT training and police careers. I will always remember him as a strong individual with a friendly smile. Rest in peace my friend.

*Semper Fi.  
Ruben P Cerda  
Class of 74C*



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**Ruben P Cerda Retired SAPD** - February 09, 2025 at 04:45 PM

LS

“ You blessed us all until the very end with your strength and courage. You hung on allowing your family to travel, visit, and talk to you one final time without wavering in showing your love for us. Thanks to your joking nature, along with egging from Joey, feeling the warmth of your hands between mine just a short time before you left us, will always be a source of laughter for me. How fitting that it was a Sunday and you had to leave to keep your date with Margaret.

*I pray that you had a safe journey home and can now sing(in tune for once) with the angels. I love you forever brother! Until we meet again.*

*Your Little Sister  
Linda*



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**Linda Soria** - February 08, 2025 at 07:39 PM

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“ *Your brothers and sisters at SAPD EPC purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Ruben C. Hernandez.*



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**Your brothers and sisters at SAPD EPC** - February 04, 2025 at 09:17 PM

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“ *Tony and Debra Plauche purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Ruben C. Hernandez.*



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**Tony and Debra Plauche** - February 02, 2025 at 02:09 PM