



## Steve C. Barrera

July 10, 1925 - March 28, 2008

### Barrera

Steve C. Barrera, born July 10, 1925, in San Antonio, Texas, passed away on March 28, 2008. He was preceded in death by his father, Steve E. Barrera, mother Rosaura Cantu Barrera, brother Gilbert Barrera, sister Alice Barrera, son Fernando Barrera and first wife Dolores Hood. He is survived by his loving wife of 50 years, Julia Ramirez Barrera, his brother Roy Carmen R. Barrera, Sr., children, Stephen Alan Barrera, Nicholas Galindo, Terry McVea, Anna Joe Hernandez, Steve Tony Jackie Barrera, Gustavo Maria Barrera , Javier Diana Barrera, Julia Rosa Barrera, Rosalinda Jose Barboza, numerous grandchildren, 1 great grandchild, nephews & nieces. Steve was a Lt. Colonel in the ROTC at San Antonio Vocational & Technical School Fox Tech High. Upon graduation he entered the Marine Corps in September 1943. He proudly served in the Pacific Theater and was wounded in action in the Marianas Islands on July 29, 1944, for which he was awarded the Purple Heart. He was also among the first group of Marine Raiders that landed in the Tokyo Bay area, which resulted in the capture of Hijms Nagato, and the unconditional and complete surrender of the Japanese Navy. Upon discharge, he returned home and entered San Antonio College. Shortly thereafter, he joined the San Antonio Police Academy, graduated and was a police officer for 6 years. Later in life, he graduated from St. Mary's University with a BA in Political Science and with the encouragement of his brother, Attorney Roy R. Barrera, Sr., attended St. Mary's Law School. Steve was the founder and owner of Alamo

Builders and Supply and was in the home improvement business for many years. He was responsible for developing a stone veneer that is presently used on construction projects worldwide. He was an avid homing pigeon racer and breeder, for which he received many awards and honors, including winning a national championship and was inducted into the Tri-State Hall of Fame.

He was beloved by family and friends and will be greatly missed.

#### Services

A visitation will be held at Mission Park Funeral Chapels North on Tuesday, April 1, 2008 from 6-8 pm with Rosary to commence at 7pm. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Wednesday, April 2, 2008 at St. Luke's Catholic Church at 9:30 A.M. Interment to follow in Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery.

# Tribute Wall

CA

“ To Roy Barrera, Sr. and family and to Steve and Grace Barrera:  
My condolences and prayers are with you all in this time of such  
painful loss.

Cynthia Winn Allan - April 02, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ My thoughts are with you, Roy and Roy Jr., and all of your family in  
this sad time.

Dan Duran - April 01, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ Our prayers are with you and your family. May God watch over and  
bless you all.

Darren and Ruth Denton - April 01, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LO

“ To the Barrera and Galindo Family

my deepest sympathy to all of you, especially Steve, Nick and  
Anna...

May God Bless you and give you strength during this time of sorrow.

Your classmate Tech 1972 and neighborhood friend, Lupe Chavez

Lupe Chavez Ovalles - April 01, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ To the Barrera Family, My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Sally Barrera - April 01, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ I feel privileged to have known Steve from my years at Nicholas & Barrera - he was always so full of joy and goodwill that it was contagious. He will always be remembered. My deepest sympathy and condolences to the entire Barrera family.

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**Sharon S. Brown** - April 01, 2008 at 12:00 AM

VH

“ Out prayers are with the Barrera family, for their loss of a great man.

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**Vernon & Dorothy Harris** - April 01, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ We will all miss Steve. He was a great person and a wonderful neighbor. Our deepest sympathies.

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**Dr. and Mrs. Joe Chapa** - April 01, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LA

“ Dear Rosalinda Barboza, Our deepest sympathy and prayers go out to you and your family.

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**Leonor Alvarado** - April 01, 2008 at 12:00 AM

GG

“ Grandpa Steve, you will live forever in my heart. Thank you for the wonderful memories.

*To the entire Barrera and Galindo family... Words don't come as easily at times like this somehow. But, you should know that kindest thoughts are close besides yo*

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**Gloria L. Galindo** - April 01, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ To Steve and all of the Barrera family:

*All of our family's prayers are with you at this time of loss. As one door closes, another one opens. May God grant you peace and comfort during this difficult time.*

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**Doug Walsdorf** - March 31, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ *My Sincerest Condolences to Julia and the entire Barrera family*

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**Cassie Lisee** - March 31, 2008 at 12:00 AM

VN

“ *Steve was always a good kind man. He will be missed by all who knew that side of the true gentleman. The family will remember him as well as all who knew him.*

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**Virginia S. Nicholas** - March 31, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ *Steve was one of the kindest men we have ever known. We pray that Our Lord in His Divine Mercy give his family the courage, faith and strength to carry them through this time of sorrow.*

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**C.W. Slim & Jean Daniels** - March 31, 2008 at 12:00 AM

FF

“ *Our deepest sympathy and our heartfelt prayers to all of the Barrera family during this difficult time.*

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**Frank & Sally Alaniz & family** - March 31, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ *via con dios steve !!!!!!!!!!!  
we were close friends in the fiftys  
we both worked at night in the sfair clubs ,steve sapd me  
dep,sherrif, when fred sfair sold  
his club to lew frink both him steve and i used to sell the stone  
siding and roofs in burne*

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**john jarvis** - March 31, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JV

“ *Our deepest condolences to your family.  
For as long as we have known Rosalinda and Jose, we have heard  
many great things about Mr. Barrera.  
My God help you endure each day as your hearts try to heal.  
Our love and support are with you all.*

*Mr. & Mrs.*

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**Jerry & Elaine Villarreal** - March 30, 2008 at 12:00 AM

PE

“ *Our most sincere and deepest condolences.*

*Peter Estevez & Family!!!*

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**Peter Estevez** - March 30, 2008 at 12:00 AM

NJ

“ *I will always miss you Grandpa. You're in heaven now, and I know I  
will see you again someday. I will never forget the times I spent with  
you, and all the good stories you told me. I'm glad I was able to see  
you everyday growing up, and I appreciate al*

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**Nicholas and Eva Galindo Jr.** - March 30, 2008 at 12:00 AM