



Theodore R. Gonzales

February 29, 1932 - January 10, 2020

Born February 29th, 1932, San Antonio, Texas passed peacefully on January 10th, 2020. Devoted husband of 59 years to Alicia. Proud father of Joseph and Carlos. Thankful father in law of Janie and Robbie. Blessed grandfather of Jace, Justin, Dylan, Amanda, Victoria and Stephanie. He grew up on the south side of San Antonio and graduated from Harlandale High school. He furthered his education and received his undergraduate degree from Texas A & I University in Kingsville, Texas and earned his master's degree in economics from Saint Mary's University in San Antonio, Tx. He also graduated from the School of Tropical Medicine in Kingston, Jamaica. After serving in the Army, he accepted a position with the Department of State in Afghanistan as an economist, and then worked for United Nations under the malaria eradication program in Ecuador as an Engineer. After his over seas assignments, he settled in Washington D.C. and retired after 32 years of government service with the Department of Education as an economist. During his tenure in Washington D.C., he was a renowned proprietor of award-winning Mexican restaurants Speedie's and La Casita of Capital Hill located in Arlington VA and Washington D.C.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **22**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels Cherry Ridge
3401 Cherry Ridge Dr
San Antonio, TX 78230
(210) 349-1414
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Rosary

JAN **22**. 7:00 PM (CT)

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Funeral Mass

JAN **23**. 1:30 PM (CT)

St. Matthew Catholic Church
10703 Wurzbach Rd
San Antonio, TX 78230

Graveside Service with Military Honors

JAN 31. 9:15 AM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Theodore R. Gonzales.*



January 21, 2020 at 11:34 PM



“ *Ted, thanks for being a my godfather. I enjoyed being Leap year babies together. You will be missed. Thanks for sharing your home and life with me and my family. Love you.*

Yvette Byrum - January 21, 2020 at 04:40 PM



“ *Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Theodore R. Gonzales.*



January 21, 2020 at 04:35 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Theodore R. Gonzales.*



January 20, 2020 at 09:00 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Theodore R. Gonzales.*



January 18, 2020 at 11:28 AM



“ *I have known the Gonzales family for many years and spent many days hanging out with the boys over in Arlington VA. Mr Gonzales always made me feel like family. Always welcomed with his kindness and generosity. This is a loss felt by all that knew him. My deepest condolences to the family.*

Cathy Nicholson - January 18, 2020 at 11:17 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Theodore R. Gonzales.*



January 18, 2020 at 01:02 AM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Joe "Joey" Gonzales - January 16, 2020 at 10:02 PM

AR

“ He was my uncle a great man whom I always admired he gave me a lot of advice through the years I was all ears cause his wisdom and knowledge had great humor will truly be missed you will always be in our heart uncle ted Andrew

Andrew Robledo - January 16, 2020 at 12:51 PM

KG

“ Texas Ted! This great man gave me my first job as a busboy at Speedy Gonzales. He also spoiled our crew when we had overnight stays at the DC place and of course the epic trips to Ocean City where we stayed at the condos. Great memories of a great man. What a life! We'll miss him but he'll live on in my memories and deeds.

Kevin Gallagher - January 16, 2020 at 12:25 PM

JG

Thxs kev for always being apart of our lives. Always and forever your brother💙

Joey Gonzales - January 16, 2020 at 02:34 PM

DG

My friends and I would enjoy going to Speedy Gonzales for chimichanges and the sauce was awesome!! I am sorry for your loss Bruce, Denise, Jimmy, Rod

Denise Glaine - May 25, 2025 at 06:34 PM

JG

“ *Live life like it's the last day of your life!*



Joe "Joey" Gonzales - January 16, 2020 at 10:29 AM

JG

“ *Dad loved his grandchildren! He would do anything ! For Jac and Justin 😞 I still can't believe he is gone!*



Joe "Joey" Gonzales - January 16, 2020 at 10:16 AM

RM

“ *I met Ted for the first time in Uvalde last summer wad very nice man kept checking with me to make sure O made it back to Montana ok wish I could of spent more time to visit I will not be able to attend memorial service due to money problem RIP Uncle Ted*



Rogelio Moreno - January 16, 2020 at 07:28 AM

DN

“ *I have thought of this family throughout my life, many wonderful memories. You all have been part of the fabric of my life. Deepest condolences. Always in my heart...With love, Donna Nelson.*

Donna Nelson - January 16, 2020 at 12:23 AM



“ *With our deepest sympathy, Ryan & Jillian Johnson purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Theodore R. Gonzales.*



With our deepest sympathy, Ryan & Jillian Johnson -
January 15, 2020 at 07:30 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Theodore R. Gonzales.*



January 15, 2020 at 06:10 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Theodore R. Gonzales.*



January 15, 2020 at 03:38 PM