



Camilo F. Romero

October 18, 1939 - April 5, 2020

On April 5, 2020, the Gates of Heaven opened up as Camilo F Romero, 80, husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, brother, uncle, and friend passed away. He was born in Santa Fe, NM, on October 18, 1939, to Camilo and Estella Romero. Camilo enlisted in the US Navy, serving from 1957 to 1960, he served on the USS Rochester in the Pacific. Camilo was very proud of his military service, always wearing his Navy caps. On a bus ride from Santa Fe, NM to Jacksonville, Florida, Camilo met a young lady named Maria. They began writing to each other of which eventually led to marriage. Camilo and Maria were married on December 1, 1958, and were married for 60 years. They raised their three children, Camilo III, Mary Ann, and Robert.

Camilo received several Degrees, an Associate of Arts Degree from Eastern New Mexico University-Roswell (4/28/1977), Associate of Arts Degree from New Mexico Military Institute (5/16/1981), and a Bachelor of Science Degree from the University of New York (9/15/1989). He received a Certificate from The Board of Social Work Examiners from the State of New Mexico as a licensed Baccalaureate Social Worker on 3/30/1990.

Camilo worked in the field of Security for many years. He worked five years for the Roswell Fire Department. In 1976, Camilo started his career with the New Mexico Department of Corrections. With hard work and dedication, he was able to work his way up from Correctional Officer to Warden of the

Roswell Correctional Center. After retiring from the Roswell Correctional Center, Camilo worked as the Executive Director of the Roswell Boys and Girls Club. After his time with the Boys and Girls Club, he spent his days with his wife enjoying his retirement. Camilo enjoyed going camping and hiking with his grandchildren. He was also able to enjoy some camping trips with his great-grandchildren. Camilo also enjoyed watching the sporting and band events of his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Camilo is survived by his wife, Maria; daughter, Mary Ann and husband Jimmy Jimenez; son, Robert Romero and wife Dolores; grandchildren: Camilo Romero IV and spouse Maria, Angela and spouse John Garlinger, Mary Angel and spouse Jonathan Smith, Jimmy Jimenez and companion Allan Curtis, Ben Jimenez, Valerie Jimenez, Alma and spouse Danny Esparza, Robert Romero Jr, Gabriel Alvarado and spouse Kristen, Raul Alvarado and spouse Mary Katie and Joey Rodriguez; great-grandchildren: Esmeralda Romero, Juan Romero, Savanna Romero, Izabella Romero, Amelia Romero, Yasmin Smith, Ysabella Smith, Raul Smith, Pablin Jimenez, Marcus Esparza, Brianna Esparza, Danelle Esparza, Josephine Alvarado and Alexandra Alvarado; sister, Marie and spouse Leopoldo Rios; sisters-in-law: Lilia Salas and Erminda Garza; as well as many nieces and nephews whom he loved dearly.

Preceding Camilo in death are his son, Camilo Romero III; daughter-in-law, Alice Romero; great-grandson, Marcus Phillip Romero Aguilar; parents, Camilo and Estella Romero; father-in-law and mother-in-law: Benigno and Petra Garza; sisters: Gracie Romero, Margie Montano Smith, Bernice Aragon, Dolores Martinez, Connie Manzanares; brother, Adelaido Romero; sister-in-law, Rafaela Garza; brothers-in-law: Joe Salas, Enrique Garza, Benigno Garza, Robert Garza, Juan Manzanares, Remijio Martinez, Jake Aragon; as well as his loving pet of seventeen years, Rusty.

Those honored to serve as Pallbearers are Camilo Romero IV, Juan Romero,

Jimmy Jimenez Jr, Ben Jimenez, Allan Curtis, Jonathan Smith, Robert Romero Jr., Gabriel Alvarado, Raul Alvarado, and Joey Rodriguez.

Chosen as Honorary Pallbearers are Camilo's grandchildren: Maria Romero, Angela Garlinger, John Garlinger, Mary Angel Smith, Valerie Jimenez, Alma Esparza, Danny Esparza, Kristen Alvarado, Mary Katie Alvarado; and his great-grandchildren: Esmeralda Romero, Savanna Romero, Izabella Romero, Amelia Romero, Yasmin Smith, Ysabella Smith, Raul Smith, Pablin Jimenez, Marcus Esparza, Brianna Esparza, Danelle Esparza, Josephine Alvarado, and Alexandra Alvarado.

Special thanks to all his friends and staff at Fresenius Kidney Center, The Joy Center, and Dr. Pinon and his team.

There will be a Viewing on Monday, April 13, 2020, from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM at Anderson Bethany Funeral Home, 2609 S Main Street. A Graveside Service will be held on Tuesday, April 14, 2020, 2:00 PM, at South Park Cemetery, 3101 S Main Street.

Thank you, everyone, for the thoughts and prayers. God Bless all.

Please take a moment and share a kind thought or memory with the Romero family at www.andersonbethany.com.

Camilo's tribute was written in his honor by his family.

Previous Events

Viewing

APR **13**. 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM (MT)

Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home and Crematory
2609 South Main
Roswell, NM 88203
(575) 622-5888
abfh@andersonbethany.com

Graveside Service

APR **14**. 2:00 PM (MT)

South Park Cemetery
3101 South Main St
Roswell, NM 88203

Tribute Wall



“ *Camilo F. Romero*

December 29, 2022 at 05:26 PM



“ *Robert, I am so sorry to learn of your father's passing. Please accept my deepest sympathy. May God wrap his loving arms around you and your family to guide and comfort you during this time.*

A friend from school, Carla

Carla Cobb - April 15, 2020 at 10:56 AM



“ *A Very Very Good Friend, Camilo (Phil) will miss you buddy. Wishing your family strength in dealing with their loss. Fred Laredo*

Fred Laredo. - April 14, 2020 at 03:15 PM



“ *Dear Mrs. Romero and family,
It so saddend me to read about Mr. Romero's passing. May God's Blessings and the memories you have of your husband, Dad & grandpa support you forever..My thoughts and prayers are with his family.*

Corinne Duran

(Duran's Grocery Fat's)



Corinne - April 13, 2020 at 04:01 PM

DS

“ Mary Ann and families, We were saddened to hear about your Father's passing. We have many fond memories of him. He always had a smile for everyone and didn't know a stranger. Just know that our thoughts and prayers are with the family at this time. Diana Schuyler and David Sanchez

Diana Schuyler - April 13, 2020 at 03:04 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Camilo F. Romero.



April 11, 2020 at 11:56 AM

MM

“ Maria Martinez lit a candle in memory of Camilo F. Romero



Maria Martinez - April 11, 2020 at 03:23 AM

RF

“ Robert, Dolores and family purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of Camilo F. Romero.



Robert, Dolores and family - April 10, 2020 at 11:13 PM

CP

“ I had privilege off working under Warden Romero as a officer in the 90's. He was a good man . He will never be forgotten. Chris Perez

Chris Perez - April 10, 2020 at 01:49 PM

SD

“ Shauna & Troey Daffern lit a candle in memory of Camilo F. Romero



Shauna & Troey Daffern - April 10, 2020 at 01:36 PM

GA

“ Mr. Romero it was a pleasure knowing you all these years. You were always very kind to me. Rest with the Angels now.

Gloria Alvarado - April 10, 2020 at 10:25 AM

ES

“ Elaine Santillanes lit a candle in memory of Camilo F. Romero



Elaine Santillanes - April 10, 2020 at 02:12 AM

ES

“ I don't even know where to start , u were a loving Uncle that txt every hoilday and just like my mom u loved purple, my kids have so many memories of sitting in the RV just chatting n listing to ur jokes,we love u , ur Neice Elaine & Family.

Elaine Santillanes - April 10, 2020 at 02:08 AM

BR

“ *Camilo will be missed. He was a good man, had a great career and was a beloved member of FOP Pecos Lodge 55. Rest In Peace sir, we've got the watch from here. I'll miss you and our deepest condolences to his family.*

*Brenda Morrow
FOP Secretary*

BrendaMorrow - April 09, 2020 at 05:37 PM

AJ

“ *AURORA M. JIMENEZ lit a candle in memory of Camilo F. Romero*



AURORA M. JIMENEZ - April 08, 2020 at 11:35 AM

AS

“ *The neighborhood has lost a great man! I remember always seeing Camilo on the go with his beautiful Maria. My sincere condolences to the family.*

Anisa and Jay

Anisa Schomburg - April 08, 2020 at 01:09 AM

CR

“ *Cecilia Najera Romero lit a candle in memory of Camilo F. Romero*



Cecilia Najera Romero - April 07, 2020 at 01:29 PM

MA

“ *Michael Archuleta lit a candle in memory of Camilo F. Romero*



Michael Archuleta - April 07, 2020 at 11:47 AM

PG

“ *Prayers surround the family of Camilo Romero.... for Mary Ann, his children and grandchildren.... Into Gods hands....*



Pat Guajaca-Kuemmerle - April 06, 2020 at 08:34 PM

MA

“ *Sending prayers to the family for your loss.*

Martinique - April 06, 2020 at 08:26 PM

PN

So sorry for your loss. Prayers for you and your family.

Pamela Nordstrom - April 06, 2020 at 09:07 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Camilo F. Romero.*



April 06, 2020 at 07:46 PM

RS

“ Robert I'm so sorry for the loss of your dad. Love Ronetta

Ronetta Solis - April 06, 2020 at 07:43 PM