



David Vega

May 18, 1936 - January 21, 2015

David Vega passed away on January 21, 2015 surrounded by his four daughters and son. He succumbed to a progressive neurological condition diagnosed in 2005 and although he deteriorated physically over a course of 10 years, he had an amazing fighting spirit and will be greatly missed.

David Vega was born in Aibonito, Puerto Rico on May 18, 1936 to Carmelo Vega and Josefina Mateo Vega. He was the oldest of six children and is survived by four sisters.

At the age of 18 he joined the US Army. In 1958, while stationed in Germany, he met and married Elsa Burgermeister to whom he was married to for 47 years and together they raised seven children whom are all living. He is also survived by 11 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren. He had a long and successful Military career and retired after 24 years of active duty service at the rank of Chief Warrant Officer at Ft. Bliss, Texas.

A Catholic Mass is scheduled for 10:00 AM at St. Peter's Church in Roswell, New Mexico on Thursday, January 22, 2015 with Father Charlie Martinez, OFM officiating. Following mass, the family will be receiving friends at the Gross family home located at 1316 Alicia Lane, from 12:00 PM to 3:00 PM. He will be buried with Military Honors at Ft. Bliss, Texas on Friday, January 23, 2015 at 10:00 AM.

A special thank you from the family to all of David Vega's caregivers whom provided him with compassionate one on one care, Advanced Home Health, Randy McGuire, Gentiva Hospice. A very special Thank you to Dr. Richard Pinon whom not only agreed to become his Primary Care Physician in Roswell but also advocated for him in ways that went beyond the call of his responsibility.

Tribute Wall



“ *David Vega*

December 29, 2022 at 05:26 PM



“ *I met David when we both worked in El Paso at the West Texas Regional Adult Probation Department. I was deeply saddened to hear of his passing. David always had a smile (as the photo shows) on his face and a compliment to share with you. David was truly a hard working, compassionate and caring professional individual.*

Senor Vega con todo el respeto que se merece, Adios y Hasta Pronto. Descanse en Paz.

*Alfredo Chavez
El Paso, TX*

Alfredo Chavez - January 22, 2015 at 01:46 PM

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“ Opa was a man that took pride in all he had. His lawn was always well maintained, his cars always washed, and his dogs were always taken to the groomer.

He was a man of routine; he went to mass faithfully, called Omi every lunch break, read the newspaper daily, and a bought Texas lottery ticket most days. He walked the dogs nightly after dinner, and I remember him watching a lot of Walker, Texas Ranger in the evenings.

He was also a man who was pretty frugal, and I remember lying in bed sweating in the heat of the El Paso summer and my mom telling me to go turn on the air conditioning and feeling the air for a few sweet minutes before Opa would come and turn it off :)

Opa, thank you for all the great memories. Your house was a second home to me, especially with moving so much. Lots of love to you, and may you rest peacefully.

To my family, I'm sorry I can't be there today and tomorrow. I hope the next few days are as easy as they can be, and that there is laughter and smiles among the tears.

Holly Pomme - January 22, 2015 at 09:04 AM



“ I met my uncle when he visisted NJ back in the late 70's . I remember his sharp green uniform as a little boy. I remember looking at pictures of his family that my mom Norma had. He made a beautiful family with his wife . I'm very proud of his military accomplishments and devoted father and grandfather that he was . He will always be held in high esteem to me . RIP Tio David , love Ary (Al) Font-Vega.

Al Font - January 21, 2015 at 06:21 PM

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David te recordaremos con carino.

Luz Migdalia - January 21, 2015 at 06:31 PM

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“ One of my favorite memories of Opa was taking the dogs for an evening walk. Later, when he became to weak to walk, my mom and dad would take him in the wheel chair. Max the chihuahua would sit in his lap and Annabelle and Sandy would help pull, while my mom or dad steered his chair. Neighbors and people driving by would always smile and wave to Opa. Going for walks with my grandfather always made for a nice evening and a pleasant memory!

Candice Kim - January 21, 2015 at 03:51 PM

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David is resting with God.

Luz Migdalia - January 21, 2015 at 06:34 PM



*Rest in peace my dear brother. I will always remember you for everything you did for me including taking care of me when I was a child. I love you and you will always be in my heart.
Your loving sister Norma Vega*

Norma Vega - January 23, 2015 at 05:36 PM