



Dr. Bennie A. Padilla

October 18, 1926 - November 15, 2020

Dr. Bennie Padilla passed away on Sunday, November 15, 2020, at the age of 94. Please take a moment and share a kind thought or memory with Dr. Padilla's family at www.andersonbethany.com.

On October 18, 1926, Dr. Padilla was born in Pintada, New Mexico, to Miquela Apodaca and Rosendo Padilla. He was the youngest of ten children.

Preceding Dr. Padilla in death are his sisters: Stella Gomez, Betty Cordova, and Victoria Garcia; brothers: Maguin Padilla, Antonio Padilla, Ramon Padilla, Charlie Padilla, Joe Padilla, Lauriano Padilla.

Dr. Padilla was a Veteran in the U.S. Army. He received a bachelor's degree, two master's degrees, and a Ph.D. from La Universidad Interamericana in Saltillo, Coahuila, Mexico, in 1968. Dr. Padilla was a faithful Catholic and a member of the Assumption Catholic Church in Roswell, NM. He was also a member of the Knights of Columbus.

Surviving Dr. Padilla is his wife, Lorraine Marquez Padilla of Dilia, New Mexico. They were married in May of 1952 and were married for sixty-eight years and had four children: daughters Cynthia Garcia married to Nick Garcia, Bonnie Lou Padilla; and two sons Andre Padilla and significant other Nancy Lara, Alonzo Padilla and late partner Pam Harrell, all of Roswell NM.

Bennie had four grandsons: Charlie Bell of Albuquerque, NM, Dominic Bell and significant other Caitlin Short and their daughter Desirae Bell of Roswell, NM, Leroy Bell (father of Charlie and Dominic) of Roswell, NM, Scotty Straley of Las Cruces, NM, Angelo Padilla and wife Jennifer Padilla and their son Angelo Bennie Padilla of Ventura, CA.

Dr. Padilla will be remembered by many of his nieces and nephews that he helped throughout their educational challenges and guidance throughout their lives. By nature, his love for animals was a big part of his life and gave him much joy, especially his best friend Pee-Wee. Dr. Padilla's career included working with the Civil Service in Cuzco and Lima, Peru. He was a professor at NMMI, ENMU-R, University of Saltillo, Mexico, and taught with New Mexico Public Schools. During his career, he and his family lived in South America.

Due to the current circumstances at this time there will be a private service for the immediate family only.

Dr. Padilla's tribute was written in his honor by his family.

Tribute Wall



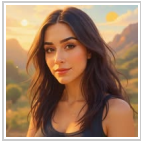
“ *Dr. Bennie A. Padilla*

December 29, 2022 at 05:26 PM



“ *We will miss Bennie! He was a good neighbor and friend.*

Jo Williams - December 28, 2020 at 07:58 PM



“ *Melinda Baca lit a candle in memory of Dr. Bennie A. Padilla*



Melinda Baca - November 25, 2020 at 12:21 AM



“ *My condolences and love to the Padilla family--Lorraine, Cindy & Leroy. May "Uncle" Benny RIP. He was such a charismatic, giving person who had much to give to everyone. I am so sorry for your loss. My love to all--Jane Wiggins*

Jane Wiggins - November 23, 2020 at 06:32 AM



“ *Lorraine and family
We were saddened to hear of Bennie's passing. Our sincere condolences and prayers for you and your family. God bless you.*

Rito and Mary Ann Delgado

Mary Ann Delgado - November 22, 2020 at 06:54 PM

AV

“ *Lorraine / Cindy & Family:
So sad to hear of Bennie's passing. My
condolences to you and your Family during
this time. May the peace of the LORD be with
all of you and give you comfort in knowing
that Bennie is now at peace and in the LORD's hands.*



Alfred Velasquez - November 22, 2020 at 03:54 PM

AA

“ *Dear Lorraine and Family, May our dear Lord and his Mother of All
Comfort be very close to you in the weeks to come. What a blessing
Dr. Padilla was to everyone who knew him!*

*In sympathy,
Ann Applegarth*

ANN H APPLGARTH - November 22, 2020 at 01:38 PM

DB

“ *Daniel Barrera lit a candle in memory of Dr.
Bennie A. Padilla*



Daniel Barrera - November 21, 2020 at 07:54 PM

AJ

“ *Aurora M Jimenez lit a candle in memory of
Dr. Bennie A. Padilla*



Aurora M Jimenez - November 18, 2020 at 10:25 AM

JN

“ I met Mr. Padilla through his daughter Cindy, about 45yrs ago. He always had a quick smile and good advice when I would see him. My prayers are with this wonderful family at this time of sorrow. My God place his comforting hands around you.
Jan Neff

jan Neff - November 18, 2020 at 10:22 AM

HO

“ I met Mr Padilla a long time ago walking w Mrs Padilla who at that time was my high school spanish teacher he was a very nice man and later we became Knights at the Knights of Coumbus, we used to sit together during meetings and make small talk, everything about him was knowledge and about fixing things and school and where he'd been , he had alot to talk about and been around the world and taught in other countries i found out, Mrs Padilla confirmed it when i didn't believe him, i sat with him for a week and im so glad i did, my late father Raymond Orona told me to learn from him, ill miss him,
Henry Orona

Henry Orona - November 18, 2020 at 09:59 AM

HO

“ Mr Padill

Henry Orona - November 18, 2020 at 09:47 AM

PO

“ I will always remember our conversations at the mailbox about your travels around the world and your teaching experience. I will miss you Mr. Padilla and will keep you in my thoughts always. Pat Olguin

Pat Olguin - November 17, 2020 at 08:34 PM

MS

“ Dearest Padilla Family,
I know this is a daunting time and I pray for peace for you during this difficult time. It is always one of the hardest times to lose a spouse or parent. Unfortunately I have been in that seat. But lean on your heavenly Father and he will give you comfort and wisdom to help you through. Just know I am a phone call away and please call. Love you much!~



Megan M Savage - November 17, 2020 at 11:50 AM

CC

My deepest condolences and many prayers for the Padilla family, may Dr. Padilla Rest In Peace, Live Cecilia Chavez and Family

Cecilia Chavez - November 18, 2020 at 02:33 PM

EG

From the Garcia Family Mary Agnes & Juan we all very sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers will be with you all. Bennie was a Great guy, and inspiration to so many. Rest in Peace.

Ernie Garcia - November 23, 2020 at 03:59 PM