



## Johnny Apodaca Sena

June 4, 1941 - May 21, 2020

Johnny Apodaca Sena passed away on May 21, 2020 in Roswell, New Mexico, succumbing to a number of past and present health conditions. Johnny was born on June 4, 1941 in Roswell, New Mexico to Juan Romulo Sena and

Julia Apodaca Sena. He was one of 11 children raised on his parent's ranch North of Roswell. Johnny left formal schooling at an early age, but followed in his older brothers footsteps into a flooring career. He became known as a master tile and carpet layer and had a busy and profitable self-employed business in Roswell for many years. He did not stop working until he was forced to retire by injuries received in a severe auto accident.

Johnny was an avid outdoorsman and enjoyed fishing, hunting and all things outdoors. He acknowledged God's handiwork in nature around him. He was very proud of his countryside home, which he had built himself of adobebricks many years ago. He loved living on his acreage in North Roswell and tending to his birds, sheep, horses, and would make sure even stray animals were fed.

Johnny was a straightforward speaking man who appreciated persons who dealt with him in an honest and transparent manner. When that happened, he offered his hand in friendship and trust, offering to help in any way he could, despite his limited income & physical disabilities. Johnny maintained a special relationship with his brothers until their passing and he could count on his sisters for caring advice.

Johnny entered active military service on February 19, 1964 and during his service received medals and commendations as an expert rifle marksman. He then served in the Army National Guard with the rank of Sargent E-5 until his discharge on February 18, 1970.

Johnny is survived by two siblings: Grace Soto (Husband, Carlos) of Roswell, New Mexico and Virginia Villescás (Husband, Ramon) of Albuquerque, New Mexico. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents, Juan and Julia Sena, and his siblings: Evelyn Hill, Manuel Sena, Rita Alarid, Aurelia Ginanni, Max Sena, Isabro Sena, Linda Susie Cano, and Ernest Sena.

A gravesite service and interment will be held at the Roswell Veterans Cemetery in South Park Cemetery on Monday, June 8, 2020 at 2:00 P.M. Arrangements are under the direction of Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home in Roswell, New Mexico. They have advised there are no restrictions or number limitations related to Covid19 Virus for those wishing to attend a gravesite memorial.

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

When I have come to the end of my journey  
And I have traveled my last weary mile,  
Just forget if you can, that I ever frowned and remember only the smiles,  
Forget unkind words I have spoken, Remember some good I have done;  
Forget that I ever had heartache and remember I had many blessings.  
Forget that I've stumbled and blundered and sometimes fell by the way,  
Remember I have fought some hard battles,  
and went past those to live another day in my country home.  
Then forget to grieve for my going, I would not have you sad for even a day;  
But in Summer, just gather some wildflowers, and remember the place where I  
lay, and come in the shade of evening when the sun paints the sky in the  
West;  
Stand for a few moments beside



# Cemetery Details

## General Douglas L. McBride Veterans Cemetery

Between S Main St and SE Main St (US 285)  
on E Jaffe St, in Roswell, at the north end of  
South Park  
Roswell, NM 88203

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

JUN 8. 2:00 PM (MT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Johnny Apodaca Sena*

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“ *Johnny w*

*AndO worked for years together . Also worked with John DiCello and Gary Gingrich*

*We worked together learned from each other. Everyone had the same experience. In spite of faults always very honest, one w his stuff, and a very tough man. He was loved probably more than he means aware.*

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**Joann Joseph** - June 08, 2020 at 10:56 PM