



Virgil L. Beagles

July 14, 1941 - January 5, 2016

Funeral Services for Virgil L Beagles, 74, will be held at 10:00 AM, Saturday, January 9, 2016, at Tabernacle Baptist Church with Pastor Jerry Beavers and Ernie Amador officiating. Burial will follow at South Park Cemetery. Virgil passed away on January 5, 2016, at his home with his loving family around him. Virgil was born on July 14, 1941, to Floyd V and Eva Gertrude (Rogers) Beagles in Roswell, NM. Visitation will be held Friday from 12:00 to 8:00 PM at the funeral home.

Virgil was preceded in death by his first wife, Lois (Cagle) Beagles and their son Ronald Dean Beagles, his parents, brother, Guy (Jr) Beagles, and sister, Ruth Mahl, paternal grandparents, Edward (Frank) and Nancy (Salyers) Beagles, maternal grandparents, Levi Jacob (Jack) and Mary Ida (Otts) Rogers, and grandson, Anthony Barreras.

Virgil is survived by his wife, Betty D Beagles, of 48 years of marriage, daughter, Michelle and her husband Andrew Barreras of Roswell, sons Rick Beagles, Bobby S Heard and partner Lucy Hall of Roswell, brothers: Ted Beagles of Tinnie, NM; Eddie Paul Beagles of Alamogordo, NM; and Dewayne Beagles and his wife Patricia.

Virgil grew up in Roswell where he lived all but four years of his life. His father owned Valley Motor Supply on East 2nd Street, and there he learned to work

at an early age. At age 12 he was working at a grocery store and on the 4th of July selling fireworks at the gate of the Walker Air Base.

Virgil married Lois Cagle in 1959, both age 18, and had two sons, Rickey and Ronnie. At age 20, he started selling used cars and then started his own business as Beagles Auto Sales. Tragedy fell at age 24 when Lois and Ronnie (age 2) died in a car accident on February 6, 1966.

Another phase of his life began when he met and married Betty Dale (Burgett) Heard on June 14, 1967, in Carlsbad, NM. With her son, Bobby, and his son, Rickey, they started their married life in Albuquerque and then in Clovis, where he purchased the Chrysler-Plymouth Dealership. In 1971, after selling the dealership, he and his family moved back to Roswell and went back into the used car business.

On July 30, 1975, Michelle, his daughter, was born and became the focus of his life. Two peas out of the same pod, many say. This same love extended through the years to his grand-daughters, Celese Beagles, Ariana Marquez-Heard and Alexis Barreras. This same tough businessman was putty in their hands.

In 2001, with Michelle's marriage to Andrew, he acquired grandsons: Anthony; Andrew Jr.; Adam; Tommy and Calvin Barreras. The great-grandchildren's mothers, Denise Reyes, April Barreras, Jenna Morales, and Starla Ortega gave Virgil eight (8) great-grandchildren. They all called him Papa and he loved every minute of it.

Virgil loved shopping at any time of the year and buying Christmas presents for all of the children, including those who weren't his own. His pickup could be full of dolls at Christmas and candy on all the other holidays. Especially the day after when he could make a deal for the unsold specialty candy. His office

was never empty of candy and cookies. The children called him the M&M man and candy man.

For years Virgil would have roses sent over from Betty's family greenhouses near Lordsburg and give out dozens of roses at a time. He became the rose man then. You could tell Virgil had been through the banks when roses were everywhere. He would also take them to the nursing homes and churches on Mother's Day. One time he took over 2,000 stems of roses to the Legislature in Santa Fe on Valentine's Day. That was a sight to behold. All the secretaries, staff, legislators and wives of legislators love him (with the exception of a few Republicans).

In 1975, he extended his business to construction of residential homes and then into commercial construction where, in the late 1980's, he ended up doing business with his wife Betty, as one of the qualifying parties for her construction company, Betco Inc.

His interest in real estate continued in many other areas in southern New Mexico. While he spearheaded the effort, Betty brought up the rear with the paperwork, while he was making his deals.

Virgil, a dyed in the wool Democrat, loved politics and became involved about age 20. He was State President of the Young Democrats when he met Betty in Carlsbad. That started the next forty-nine years of being in state politics along with local and county. Virgil was always being contacted by previous Democratic governors for help with fund raising in the southeastern part of the state (and some good Republicans). It was not unusual to visit Virgil in his junkyard office surrounded by his dogs and personally talking to a Governor, US Senator, State Senator, Representatives, State Treasurer, Attorney General or anybody else of high ranking. He was at home with anybody, no

matter what their station in life was.

Virgil Beagles will be missed terribly by his family and friends who held him so close to their heart. His wife, Betty and daughter, Michelle will carry on the businesses with him always in their thoughts.

Pallbearers will be: Ted Beagles; Eddie Paul Beagles, Dewayne Beagles, Jerry Smith and Dr Virgle Herrin and Adam Barreras

Honorary Pallbearers are: Ron Higginbotham, Don Fedric, Jerry Floyd, Larry Mahl and Ollie Noriega

The family will have a gathering with a meal provided following the service at Tabernacle Baptist Church.

Obituary was lovingly written by Virgil's family.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 8. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (MT)

Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home and Crematory
2609 South Main
Roswell, NM 88203
(575) 622-5888
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Tribute Wall



“ *Virgil L. Beagles*

December 29, 2022 at 05:26 PM



“ *He lived a full life, and will be missed by many, beyond his large family. My heart goes out to all of you. Leilani Horton - Las Cruces, NM*



Leilani Horton - January 26, 2016 at 09:36 AM



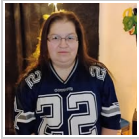
“ *I am so sorry to learn about the passing of Virgil. I have not seen Him in many years because of the distance we lived apart. I knew Virgil back when His Wife and Son were in that awful car wreck that took their lives. at that time Virgil and I had some really good times just being together and He always made sure we had some good laughs that has become great memories. to all His Family that He left behind, cherish those memories you have and find comfort in knowing that He is in a better place now and you will someday meet again. Thanks for the memories and friend ship you left me. my life was blessed to have known you.*

Johnny E. Egger - January 18, 2016 at 07:03 AM

AS

“ *Betty,
My deepest condolences to you and your family at this time. I pray
that time will ease your pain and sorrow and also deepen and
sweeten your memories.*
Andi Smith

Andi Hill Smith - January 12, 2016 at 10:49 AM



“ *Deepest sympathies from Ana, Gerald, and
Lily Marquez*



Lilia Marquez - January 10, 2016 at 05:27 PM

DA

“ *The Thigpen family sends their prayers*



dawn - January 09, 2016 at 07:38 PM

NH

“ *Our friendship spanning the past 45 years will always be
remembered.*

Norm Hepburn, Sydney. Australia

Norman Hepburn - January 09, 2016 at 05:26 PM

JR

“ *Jesse And Marlene Rodriguez lit a candle in memory of Virgil L. Beagles*



Jesse and Marlene Rodriguez - January 09, 2016 at 11:31 AM

JR

Jesse Rodriguez and wife Marlene

Jesse and Marlene Rodriguez - January 09, 2016 at 11:32 AM

BC

Betty and family, Sonny and I are so sorry sorry to hear about Virgil! He had a good heart and will be truly missed! Betty & Sonny Chancey

Betty Chancey - January 17, 2016 at 05:15 PM

HK

“ *Betty, I cannot attend the services due to my health, Virgil was my friend and I loved him for his friendship. Howard Kearns*

Howard Kearns - January 09, 2016 at 10:56 AM

FC

“ *So sorry for the loss of a loved one our thoughts and prayers are with you Ferrall and Sue clem*

ferrall clem - January 09, 2016 at 10:16 AM

JP

“ JIMMY & BEVERLY POPE lit a candle in memory of Virgil L. Beagles



JIMMY & BEVERLY POPE - January 09, 2016 at 10:06 AM

JJ

we are so sorry to hear about your loss.He was a great man.

JIMMY - January 09, 2016 at 10:09 AM

GP

“ *Condolences to family, Virgil taught me alot about politics. He will be missed.*

George Peterson - January 09, 2016 at 07:10 AM

DG

“ *Comfort and Peace to the Beagles family, Virgil got me my first job in Roswell. Nigtwatching the Duram home out on Brown Road & McGaffey.*

Denny Gumfory - January 08, 2016 at 07:28 PM

EV

“ *Our thoughts are with Betty, Michelle and the rest of the family. Betty and Virgil took me in to their home when I was staying a year in the USA in 2009. They took me in like I was their own daughter. It was the best time of my stay. Virgil would take me to school every morning, and I think he enjoyed it double because it gave him a good reason to stop by Michelle's house to visit Lexie. He will be greatly missed.*
Eveline, Pim and the family Verduin from the Netherlands

Eveline Verduin - January 08, 2016 at 01:29 PM

RP

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you all God Bless*

Rachel (Serna) Peralta

Rachel Peralta - January 08, 2016 at 12:12 PM

MR

“ *Hello Betty & Michelle,*

My heart and prayers go out to you and our family. It was always fun to wait on Virgil at the bank. He always said something to make me laugh, and I remember every year the flowers that he would bring us to the bank.

*God Bless
Maritza Roberts*

Maritza Roberts - January 08, 2016 at 11:50 AM

JS

“ *Our Sincerley Condolences from the Peach Family,*

Jesse Peach Sr. - January 08, 2016 at 11:28 AM

AW

“ *Anna Willbanks lit a candle in memory of
Virgil L. Beagles*



Anna Willbanks - January 08, 2016 at 11:14 AM

DR

“ i am so sorry for your loss. Virgil was a dear friend of my late husband Bill Rich and then he became a friend of mine. He will be greatly missed by so many. my prayers are with you and your family. Duanita Rich

Duanita Rich - January 08, 2016 at 10:17 AM

MP

“ VIRGIL AND BETTY HAVE ALWAYS HAD SUCH A SPECIAL PLACE IN MY HEART! TODAY I AM HEARTBROKEN TO LOSE THIS GENEROUS AND KIND FRIEND! SO GOOD TO EVERYONE THAT CROSED HIS PATH! (EXCEPT A FEW REPUBLICANS...FOR SURE!) HOW HE LOVED THOSE GANDKIDS!!! I WILL MISS YOU MY FRIEND AND OUR TALKS IN THAT CRAZY OFFICE OF YOURS!!! I'M SURE YOU ARE SETTING UP SHOP IN HEAVEN!!! MUCH LOVE AND SO MANY PRAYERS FOR THE FAMILY. MARTA PERRY

MARTA PERRY - January 08, 2016 at 09:49 AM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Virgil L. Beagles.



January 08, 2016 at 03:25 AM

EB

“ *Eddie Beagles lit a candle in memory of Virgil L. Beagles*



Eddie Beagles - January 07, 2016 at 11:17 PM

AG

Oh, Michelle. Alex and I are so sorry for the loss of your daddy. Our condolences and prayers to you and your mom and your entire family.

Alex & Luciana Gonzales - January 08, 2016 at 09:54 AM

PM

Betty and Michelle, Dora and I send our deepest sympathy, Virgil was an extraordinary person whose memory we will cherish forever. A friend a consultant and a great contributor to our Democracy in New Mexico. May he rest in peace. Blessings for you and your family. Pablo & Dora Martinez

Pablo Martinez - January 08, 2016 at 05:59 PM

JR

*I am very sorry for your loss of Virgil he will be greatly missed by many! I always enjoyed seeing Virgil and listing to the stories he would share with us when we arrived in New Mexico for our yearly hunts. Virgil and Ted always treated us like family and were willing to assist us if issues developed during our stay on the ranch. We will keep you all in our thoughts and prayers during these difficult times.
Texas Deer Hunters
Jimmy Roach*

James Roach - January 09, 2016 at 10:37 AM