



## Bennie Vasquez

June 21, 1923 - February 28, 2013

Bennie N. Vasquez, age 89, passed away on February 28, 2013. He is survived by his beloved wife of 67 years, Marie A. Vasquez, both from Chacon, NM and long-time residents of Bernalillo, NM. He leaves behind three children, Margaret Nelson and her children, Eric Nelson and Leslie Smith; Bennie P. Vasquez and wife Mary along with their children, Daniel and Veronica Vasquez; and LeRoy D. Vasquez and wife Sylvia along with children Helen, Paige and LeRoy II. He also leaves behind seven great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his Mother, Father and eight siblings. Bennie served proudly with the US Army and was a veteran of World War II. He was presented with a commemorative badge to honor those who fought in the Battle of Normandy from Congresswoman Heather Wilson. He is a retired member of the teamsters union and a long-time member of the American Legion Post #69. Bennie and Marie are longtime members of Second Presbyterian Church. Services are as follows: Visitation will be held on Tuesday, March 5, 2013 from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. at French – University. Services will be held on Wednesday, March 6, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. at Second Presbyterian Church, 812 Edith Blvd. NE. Burial will be held at 2:15 p.m. at the Santa Fe National Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Gabriel Torrez, Moses Martinez, Jose Domingo Vasquez, David Romero, Eric Nelson, and Mario Vasquez Honorary Pallbearers are Albert Gonzales and Roy Cruz. The Vasquez Family would like to give a special thanks to Reverends Jaime Quinones, Rob Woodruff, and Josie Rinaldi. In lieu of flowers, contributions

can be made to Second Presbyterian Church.

# Tribute Wall

TF

“ We are so sorry for the loss of your husband/father. Mr. Vasquez was a great friend to our father Danny Gomez. May you hold close to your hearts the wonderful memories of his life with your family. Please know that your family will be in our thoughts and prayers. God Bless your family and may he keep you all safe in his hands. Dolores Gomez and Family

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**The Gomez(Danny) Family** - March 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ My prayers are with the Vasquez family. With love and respect. God bless all of you and may you find peace and comfort knowing that he is in heaven now and we will be with him again one day.

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**Roy C.** - March 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RV

“ Benny, please accept my condolences on the loss of your Dad. I remember him from our high school days at Menaul. Although no words can really help to ease the loss you bear, just know that you are very close in every thought and prayer. Take care and God Bless Rudy

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**Rudy Vigil** - March 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TO

“ It was a privilege to have known such an honorable man whose quiet strength was felt by all. Blessings to his sweet companion.

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**Tori** - March 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RJ

“ I am saddened to hear of Bennie's passing. I remember Bennie and Marie warmly welcoming our family in those years in Albuquerque's southeast heights. I recall Bennie's great expertise as a mechanic - he got my dad's '57 Chevy running one Sunday afternoon. Mostly I remember Bennie and Marie's gracious welcome of us kids. Mom and I were reminiscing about those days from the 1950s and 60s when we lived a block away from your family - and the warmth offered by Bennie and Marie. God bless you all and please know you are in our prayers.

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**Reuben Villanueva Jr.** - March 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ My heart is filled with great sadness at the death of Benny. I have many memories of this sweet man who was our neighbor in my youth. What a caring, loving, honorable and compassionate man. He tried so hard to help me with my Spanish lessons. I would go next door for a visit; and he and Marie would only speak in Spanish trying to encourage me with learning the language. We will meet again....blessings and love Cheryl Dix

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**Cheryl Gaarder Dix** - March 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM

ES

“ Our thoughts are with your family at this time. Comfort yourselves in knowing he is not suffering in the able hands of Our Father. My flag will fly at half staff in honor of your father on 6 March 2013. Love, Eli and Mei-Chi

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**Eli and Mei-Chi Sanchez** - March 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM

ER

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the Vasquez family. May all the memories you hold in your heart help you through these hard time. And May the Lord bless you and keep you May he make his face to shine upon you... and give you peace. love Elias and Linda Romero*

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**Elias and Linda Romero** - March 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ *On behalf of the French Family of Companies, we express our deepest condolences.*

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**Bernadette Touchton** - March 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM