



Lawrence "Marty" Martinez

August 29, 1931 - September 9, 2014

Lawrence "Marty" Martinez, age 83, passed away at Raymond G. Murphy VA Medical Center in Albuquerque, NM, Tuesday, September 9, 2014. He was born in Ventura, CA, August 29, 1931, where he resided until he joined the US Army and then continued his military career in the US Air Force. He was a combat veteran of the Korean War and a 23-year military retiree.

He has lived in New Mexico since his retirement from the US Air Force in 1972. Since living in New Mexico, Marty had become an award-winning artist. He was involved in various capacities to help further the visual arts as a member of the Feria Artesana Foundation and The NM Veterans Artist Group. His passion for art was well known. Marty had developed a unique method to paint mini-scenes, still lifes and graphics specifically on treated turkey feathers. His work was exhibited in numerous art shows in New Mexico, Arizona, Colorado and California. He was awarded the contract for the first exhibits for the International Hall of Fame in Alamogordo, NM. He also enjoyed his time as a drummer for the Ballut Abyad Band for many years where he also provided drum lessons for aspiring musicians.

Marty is survived by his wife of 50 years, Priscilla T. Martinez. They met when they were both employed at the U.S Embassy in Spain, and were married in 1964 in Madrid. He is also survived by his brother, Edward Romero, of Westminster, CA; and numerous family members and friends residing locally and throughout the United States.

A Rosary will be recited, and the eulogy given on Tuesday, September 16,

2014, 7:00 p.m., at FRENCH – Wyoming by former United States Ambassador to Spain, Edward L. Romero. Mass will be celebrated Wednesday, September 17, 2014, 9:00 a.m., at The Shrine of St. Bernadette Church, 11509 Indian School Rd., Albuquerque, by Monsignor Gomez. Graveside Services will take place Wednesday, September 17, 2014, 12:45 p.m., at the Santa Fe National Cemetery, 501 N. Guadalupe St., Santa Fe, NM.

FRENCH – Wyoming
7121 Wyoming Blvd. NE
(505) 823-9400

Cemetery Details

Santa Fe National Cemetery

501 N. Guadalupe St.
NM 87504

Previous Events

Rosary

SEP **16**. 7:00 PM (MT)

FRENCH Funerals - Cremations (Wyoming)
7121 Wyoming Blvd NE
Albuquerque, NM 87109
(505) 823-9400
<https://www.FrenchFunerals.com>

Mass

SEP **17**. 9:00 AM (MT)

Shrine of St. Bernadette
11509 Indian School Rd. NE
Albuquerque, NM 87112

Tribute Wall

LB

“Marty's family - I am so honored we were part of your life in your last days and in the past.. You never gave up your hope. Thank you for sharing your last days with us. . We love you and will always keep you in our prayers. Lisa & Charles Bonney

Lisa Bonneyt - September 21, 2014 at 10:23 AM

TP

“On behalf of the Ventura Tortilla Flats Legacy Committee we send our condolences. "Babe" as he was known to his River Rat friends and the gang from the flats are sad to hear of his passing. May the love of your wonderful memories keep him close to your heart.



Toni Palazuelos - September 18, 2014 at 03:56 PM

TM

“Trujillo, M. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Lawrence "Marty" Martinez.



Trujillo, M. - September 16, 2014 at 04:23 PM

MT

“ Our time with Marty was amazing and wonderful. We wined and dined and shared family memories. Pi and I giggled like Trujillo's do and the guys always wondered why. We are blessed to have Pi with us for as long as the Lord allows us to keep up those giggles.
Lucy

Mary Lucy Trujillo - September 16, 2014 at 03:50 PM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Lawrence "Marty" Martinez.



September 14, 2014 at 11:35 AM

LW

“ Those we love don't go away,
They walk beside us every day,
Unseen, unheard, but always near,
Still loved,
Still missed
And very dear.

Love you very much!
Lorrie (Shugee)

Lorrie Welby - September 12, 2014 at 04:39 PM

BD

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

Buck Dyck - September 12, 2014 at 02:44 PM