



Patricio "Pat" Chavez

March 17, 1944 - November 4, 2013

Patricio "Pat" Chavez, age 69, a resident of Albuquerque, died Monday, November 4, 2013. He is survived by his wife of 41 years, Susan Chavez of Albuquerque, NM; son, Jonathan J. Chavez; granddaughters, Felicia and Darian; sisters, Priscilla Torres and Bernadine Chavez; brother, David Lee Chavez; and many wonderful cousins, nieces, nephews and friends. Pat was preceded in death by his parents, Juan P. and Julia G. Chavez; son, Brian J. Chavez; and brothers, Benny Chavez, Richard Chavez, Eloy Chavez, Robert Chavez and James Chavez; and sisters, Rosie Soto and Sarah Brady. He was born in 1944 in Albuquerque and graduated from Albuquerque High, class of 1963. He also graduated from the University of Albuquerque with a Bachelor's Degree in Business. Pat served in the Air National Guard in Vietnam, and was commissioned and retired as a Lieutenant Colonel after 36 years of service. He was a member of Risen Savior Catholic Church. Pat was a loving husband and father and will be deeply missed by all who knew him. Cremation has taken place and a Memorial Rosary will be recited on Monday, November 11, 2013, 7:00 p.m., at FRENCH – Wyoming. Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, November 12, 2013, 10:00 a.m., at Risen Savior Catholic Community, 7701 Wyoming Blvd. NE. Interment will follow at Gate of Heaven Cemetery. Honorary Pallbearers will be Kenneth Chavez, Chris Chavez, David L. Chavez, and Harry Sanchez. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Pat's name to Hospice of the Sandias, 105 Hospital Lp. NE, Albuquerque, NM 87109.

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

Cemetery Details

Gate of Heaven Cemetery

7999 Wyoming Blvd. NE
Albuquerque, NM

Previous Events

Memorial Rosary

NOV **11.** 7:00 PM (MT)

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

Memorial Mass

NOV **12.** 10:00 AM (MT)

Risen Savior Catholic Community
7701 Wyoming Blvd. NE
Albuquerque, NM 87109

Tribute Wall



“ *French Funerals created a Tribute Video in memory of Patricio "Pat" Chavez*



FRENCH Funerals & Cremations - November 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ *Susan, I saw in the newspaper that Pat has passed on to eternal life--and at such a young age--69. Meeting and visiting with both of you at Judy and Bob Smith's was always so enjoyable. Our deepest sympathy at this time of great loss. May your faith, friends, and family help you through this time. Our thoughts and prayers will be with you. Love, Christine and Jerry*

Christine Jones - November 12, 2013 at 03:02 PM

DE

“ *Auntie Susan: Uncle Pat was always such a joy to be around. We all loved his stories. My favorite is the one where he was cutting the grass in your front yard and your neighbor asked him what he charged to do yards, thinking he was a hiredhand. His response was to tell her he didnt charge anything but got to sleep with the lady of the house. He cracked us up! He was always upbeat, always easygoing and very loving to us all. I miss him already but know he is eternal he has touched so many of our lives. God Bless you for loving him the way you have. You are both very lucky in having found each other.*

Debbie - November 11, 2013 at 05:38 PM

MB

“ Auntie Susan,
We are so sorry and saddened by the passing of our beloved Uncle Pat. Unfortunately, I will be unable to attend his services and funeral due to current Enforcement operations involving several federal agencies that I am currently heading. I will always remember the day I went with Grandma Chavez to Washington Junior High School where the principle showed us the most outstanding athlete of the year trophy that was to awarded to Uncle Pat later that day. I was only 6 at the time, but remember it as if it were yesterday. I remember when he showed us his new GTO and how beautiful it was. Later, Uncle Pat was instrumental in getting me into the Air National Guard; at the time, not an easy thing to do. We will miss his kindness of heart his great humor and the love he had for all of us. He was always there for us in times of need, happiness and sorrow to lend a helping hand and give of himself. He was a wonderful man, friend, mentor, role model and Uncle. I am proud and grateful to have known him. All of our lives will have a little emptiness due to his passing. Myself, Annette, Kevin, Bill, Monica, Angela, Mateo, Tiernan and Abigail extend to you, Johnathan, Felicia and Darian our most heartfelt sympathy and love. May God hold him close and wipe his tears.

The Michael Brady Family

Michael Brady - November 11, 2013 at 05:11 PM

DR

“ Pat has been in my prayers every day since I heard about his illness. Now I pray that he is rejoicing in Heaven and that God brings comfort to all his family. He was a good man and we will certainly miss seeing him in church where he so generously served in his ministry. My husband David joins me in extending sincere condolences for your loss.

Diana L. Roybal - November 10, 2013 at 09:56 AM

SL

“ Susan; Julie and I just learned of Pat's passing. He was a great neighbor and friend. I will always remember the time I was out front with my I pod blaring and my headphones on. You two were walking by and stopped to say hi. I never knew how long the both of you had been standing there but I hope you weren't exposed too long to my singing. So sorry for your loss.

Sal & Julie Luna

Sal & Julie Luna - November 09, 2013 at 11:03 AM

ES

“ I'm so very sorry for your loss. Pat was a fine man. Know that he will live forever in your heart and memory and watches over you from above.

Ellanie Sampson - November 08, 2013 at 12:43 PM

MH

“ We only knew him a short time. He was a great person, may he rest in peace!
Susan may you find peace, God Bless you both.

Mary Anne and John Hess - November 08, 2013 at 11:24 AM



“ *The kids and I are very sad to hear of Pat's passing. He was always so nice and welcoming and full of crazy stories and advice! My favorite memory of of him was when Jon and I came back to the house and he said he had been waiting for us and slaving all day making us some taquitos. He gave us each a plate and sat on the couch. We told him how great they tasted. When we went to throw our paper plates away, we saw an empty taquitos box from Costco in the trash!! He will be missed dearly. He always had a story to tell me..*

Ursula Hernandez - November 07, 2013 at 05:23 PM

SR

“ *Susan, Pat was a great boss and he was a man of his word. He was also a good role model for the young airmen and always tried to help us reach our potential. My prayers and thoughts are with you and your family.*

Sarah Renfro

Sarah Renfro - November 07, 2013 at 02:17 PM



“ *Classic Fireside Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of Patricio "Pat" Chavez.*



November 07, 2013 at 12:44 PM

BE

“ Bernadine lit a candle in memory of Patricio "Pat" Chavez



Bernadine - November 07, 2013 at 12:04 AM

BE

“ I couldn't have been blessed with a greater Godfather! Uncle Pat is that special person that I have and always will look up to. His strong will, determination, and ambition were such an inspiration to me. His stories always made me smile and gave me hope when I needed it most. I will miss him dearly and will always keep him in my prayers and close to my heart.

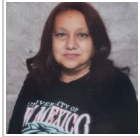
Bernadine

Bernadine - November 07, 2013 at 12:03 AM

JS

“ Uncle Pat always made me laugh. Every time I would visit, he would ask "James, would you like some coffee?" as I came through the front door. My response, of course, was "yes", to which he would reply "Good! Make some for me, too!" And he claimed he could never make fewer than three dozen sopapillas at a time because that was how his mother made them for all his brothers and sisters when he was growing up. Pat had that great gift: he included everyone at the table in every conversation at their house, and made everyone feel at home. He will be missed.

Jim Shields - November 06, 2013 at 10:44 PM



“ *Beverly Torres lit a candle in memory of Patricio "Pat" Chavez*



Beverly Torres - November 06, 2013 at 07:08 PM

AB

“ *Auntie Susan, I remember when Robert & I were engaged, And He and I went to the Guardman's club, for a family function, I introduced Uncle Pat to Robert & he said, Oh your the one that's going to marry my niece and I understand that you are a Marine, Do you like to drink? And Robert replied yes and Uncle Pat said with a smile "Well you have one good thing going for you". personally, i think he was referring to the drinking part of that question. I truly loved him, he reminded me of grandpa, so quite, and so handsome with that beautiful white hair. We all will surely miss him. We love you, God Bless you. Anna*

Anne Brady - November 06, 2013 at 05:46 PM

SC

“ *Aunt Susan, Jonathan, Our love and prayers are with you. Uncle Pat was a great man, my dad Bobby was always so proud of his younger brother for his rank and service to our country. With love Steve R, Cecilia Chavez & Family*

Steve R Chavez - November 06, 2013 at 03:32 PM

FC

“ We have many fond memories of Pat. So happy to have had him as best man at our wedding. We pray for comfort and peace for Susan and family.

*With deepest sympathy,
Fred and Judy Carrillo*

Fred Carrillo - November 05, 2013 at 11:27 PM

MR

“ Maurine (Moe) Rice lit a candle in memory of Patricio "Pat" Chavez



Maurine (Moe) Rice - November 05, 2013 at 08:20 PM

HH

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

Harold Hamilton - November 05, 2013 at 04:23 PM