



Ignacio "Nash" Torres

July 31, 1932 - September 3, 2013

Ignacio "Nash" Torres, 81, of Santa Barbara passed away with his loving wife, Amelia, by his side on Tuesday morning, September 3, 2013.

He was born on July 31, 1932, in Santa Barbara to Gordon and Irene (Ríos) Torres. He graduated from Santa Barbara High School in 1951. He served in the Naval Reserve. He enlisted in the US Army and fought in the Korean conflict as an air defense artilleryman where he was awarded the Purple Heart for injuries sustained while in combat. He recovered and was with his unit when the cease-fire was declared. Upon returning to Santa Barbara, he established his local business, Nash's Maintenance, and ran it for approximately 21 years. He had been retired for 38 years.

In 1980, Nash met Amelia Aguirre. They were married in 1991 and they lived a wonderful life together. In retirement, he was a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks Lodge #613 in Santa Barbara for 21 years, sponsored in 1993 by Mr. Ray Morales. He loved the comradery and sense of community the Elks brotherhood offered. Nash was a good friend. He adored his children, his step-children and his extended family. He was an exceptional gardener, always willing to share his craft and his bounty. Orchids were one of his favorites.

He was preceded in death by his father; his mother; his brother Lorenzo "Lencho" Torres; and, his sister Guadalupe (Torres) Hernandez.

Nash is survived by the love of his life of 33 years, Amelia (Martinez Aguirre)

Torres; sister, Connie (Don) Feltch; daughter, Susan "Susie" Martinez of Ventura; son, Valentino "Tino" (Sandra) Torres of San Ysidro; daughter, Teresa "Terri" R  iz of Santa Barbara; son, Joe (Kim) Torres of Lompoc; son, Ernie (Wilma) Torres of Carpinteria; and six step-children: daughter, Amelia (Charlie) Scudiere of Pleasant Hill; daughter, Karen (Jim) Rodriguez of Torrance; daughter, Carmen (Paul) Swetland of Los Angeles; daughter, Lourdes Adamson of Woodland; daughter, Rosaura (Daniel) Marroqu  n of Ingleside, Texas; son, Alfredo (Alicia) Aguirre of Fair Oaks, California; and numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

The Torres Family would like to express their deep appreciation to the health care professionals of Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital for their loving attention and concern for the well-being of Nash. Additionally, the family would like to express gratitude for such comfort, dignity and care provided in his final days, which was also generously extended to family at his bedside.

Visitation will be on Friday, September 20, 2013, from 6-8 pm with rosary from 7-8 pm at Welch-Ryce-Haider Funeral Chapel at 15 E. Sola Street in Santa Barbara. Funeral mass will be Saturday, September 21, 2013, 10:00 am at Holy Cross Church located at 1740 Cliff Drive in Santa Barbara. Interment ceremony will follow at 11:30 am at Cavalry Cemetery located at 199 N Hope Avenue in Santa Barbara. Please join family and friends at a reception to be held at 12:30 pm in the Holy Cross Parish Hall.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be sent in memory of Nash Torres to the non-profit organization California-Hawaii Elks Major Project, Inc., through the Elks Lodge # 613 BPOE; P.O. Box 6720; Santa Barbara, CA 93160-6720.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

199 North Hope Ave
Santa Barbara, CA 93110
(805) 687-8811
http://www.archdiocese.la/directories/cemeteries/info.php?cemetery_id=3

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 20. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (PT)

Welch-Ryce-Haider - Downtown
15 E. Sola St.
Santa Barbara, CA 93101
(805) 965-5145
info@wrhsb.com
<https://www.wrhsb.com>

Rosary

SEP 20. 7:00 PM (PT)

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15 E. Sola St.
Santa Barbara, CA 93101
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Funeral Mass

SEP **21**. 10:00 AM (PT)

Holy Cross Catholic Church
1740 Cliff Drive
Santa Barbara, CA 93109
(805) 962-0411