



Robert Quintanilla

September 22, 1949 - April 16, 2026

In Loving Memory of

Robert Quintanilla September 22, 1949 – April 16, 2026

and Barbara Guzman – Quintanilla July 21, 1949 - April 16, 2026

Robert “Bobby” Quintanilla and Barbara Quintanilla passed unexpectedly on April 16, 2026.

They were inseparable in life, and they departed this world together—just as they lived, side by side, devoted to one another and to their family.

He was preceded in death by his father, Pete Quintanilla; his mother, Mary Ellen Cobos; and his brother, Edward Quintanilla. He is survived by his sisters Delia Chavez and Diana Quintanilla.

Barbara Quintanilla was preceded in death by her father Raymond Guzman Sr, mother, Hortensia Alvarez (Guzman) and her brothers, Richard Guzman and Steven Guzman. She is survived by her sister Laura Guzman-Pena and Raymond Guzman Jr.

They are survived by their two children, Robert Quintanilla Jr. and his spouse, Deanna Quintanilla and Susan Laura Ramirez and her spouse, Salvador Ramirez.

They also leave behind four cherished grandchildren, Mariah Quintanilla,

Joseph Sanchez, Marcus Quintanilla, and Leila Ramirez.

They leave behind numerous treasured nephews, nieces, and cousins. Together, Bobby and Barbara raised a family centered on love, laughter and togetherness.

Robert attended San Marcos High School in Santa Barbara. He worked for Cottage Hospital and later spent many years as a cable splicer with GTE/Verizon. Known for his work ethic, loyal friendship and sense of humor.

Barbara attended Santa Barbara High School and worked as a Data Entry Operator at Mission Linen, Sansum Medical Center, and other local businesses. She was admired for her attention to detail, reliability, and kindness toward everyone she encountered.

In recent years, Bobby and Barbara spent eight years living with their son in Foresthill, California. During this time, they fully embraced the rhythms of a close-knit family life and the pleasures of their community.

They shared a love of fishing, BBQ'ing, visiting the local Indian casino, and—most of all—cooking and gathering with family.

Robert was an avid golfer who approached the game with good humor and humility, proudly content to shoot a bogey game. He was happiest when surrounded by his family, the center of his life.

Barbara was an incredible cook and became well known in the community for running her homemade “salsa” to neighborhood kids at the Dollar General Store and to neighbors. She found joy in the everyday details of life. She loved playing games on her iPad, crocheting blankets, sweeping acorns, tending to her planters and gardens, and keeping a meticulously clean home.

Above all else, she loved her family fiercely and unconditionally.

They will be remembered for their love, loyalty, laughter, hard work, and the deep imprint they leave on all who were blessed to know them. They leave behind a legacy of unconditional love.

A Rosary will be held at 7pm on Thursday the 7th day of May at Welch-Ryce-Haider Funeral Chapel at 15 E. Sola St. in Santa Barbara, CA. Services to be held at 10:30am on Friday the 8th of May at Holy Cross Catholic Church 1740 Cliff Drive Santa Barbara, CA, followed by interment at 12:30pm Calvary Cemetery 199 N. Hope Ave. Santa Barbara, CA.

In lieu of flowers, the Quintanilla Family would encourage you to donate to the Goleta Boys and Girls Club 5701 Hollister Ave. Goleta, CA 93117 where Robert spent his early years.

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

MAY 7. 5:30 PM - 6:30 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 Service

MAY 7. 7:00 PM (PT)

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15 E. Sola St.
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Funeral Mass

MAY 8. 10:30 AM (PT)

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

Burial will be 12:30 at Calvary Cemetery