



## Antonio Rodriguez Garcia

September 7, 1934 - April 25, 2016

Antonio (Tony) Garcia, but Pop to many, died peacefully at his home on Monday, April 25, 2016 at the age of 81.

Tony is survived by his dedicated wife of 61 years, Bobbi Garcia; children Tina Garcia, Toni Garcia, Mike Garcia, and Debbie Garcia Compton. He is also survived by seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Tony was preceded in death by his father, Manuel Garza Garcia; his mother, Soledad Rodriguez Rodriguez; and his beloved daughter, Patty Garcia.

Tony was born on September 7, 1934 in the town of Agujita, Coahuila, Mexico. He truly lived the “American Dream,” coming to this country alone as a boy of eleven to make his way in the world. Tony was a veteran of the us Army 101st airborne division. Through hard work and determination, he began working for the National Park Service where he began to explore his interest and natural gift in landscaping. He was responsible for the maintenance of much of the landscaping in Washington, DC, including The White House and The Washington Monument. In his later years he enjoyed revisiting these places and recalling stories of raising the flags at the monument or planting a sapling, that is now a beautiful and mature tree.

In 1952 his American Dream was realized when he started his own landscaping company, Columbia Tree Service. His company flourished due to

fun loving and personable demeanor. His passion for his business and his customers helped him teach his children and grandchildren the value of hard work and honesty.

Tony was a spirited man who loved sharing his wisdom and advise with anyone that would listen. He loved his wife's cooking, a cold beverage, taking naps and a good poker game!

A Celebration of Tony's Life will be held at a later date. Condolences can be sent to the Garcia family at: 5200 Trunnion Trail, Woodbridge, Virginia 22192.

# Tribute Wall

Susan Shields

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Susan Shields - May 03, 2016 at 12:05 PM

CG

“ I will always remember his good nature, welcoming me as Cassandra Maria Garcia, the fun trips to the casinos and spending time with him at the family dinners . I will truly miss him. Love always. RIP my friend.

Cassandra Glymph - May 02, 2016 at 10:55 AM

JL

“ Garcia Family, I remember your dad very well, true American who lived the dream and was a great family man and hard worker, Served his country with dignity and pride. You may not remember me but I remember your family. God Bless You All and All Please know he is in a better place watching over all of his family.

Jo and LesterbM. Leonard - May 01, 2016 at 09:08 PM

BJ

“ We are so very sorry to learn of the passing of Tony. He had the most contagious smile and the most uplifting spirt. He will be missed and remembered foundry. With love, Ben and Sisc (Sissy) Johnson

Ben and Sisc Johnson - May 01, 2016 at 06:56 PM

BC

“ I'm so sorry to hear of the passing of Pops. He was such a great man.

*I remember him when I was in middle school with Patty and Toni. Pops was a good and happy man for sure. Over the years Patty crossed my mind many many times.*

*I will never forget the tragedy your family suffered and the sadness I felt when she left us.*

*Patty is now in her daddy's arms and I'm sure both are smiling big. May god be with you in your time of sorrow.*

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**Brenda Kenner Collier** - April 30, 2016 at 02:39 PM

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**Daniel** - April 30, 2016 at 01:09 AM

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**Garcia Family** - April 29, 2016 at 09:59 PM