



# Benny Nuanez

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# **Benny Nuanez**

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**B**enny Nuanez was born in Pheonix Arizona on April 3rd, 1935 to his proud parents John Nuanez and Mary Armejo of Arizona. Benny decided to serve our country and dedicated 22 years as a boiler technician in the U.S. Navy, from which he eventually retired. Benny moved to San Diego, California where he resided for about 47 years. He passed away on March 11th, 2019 at the age of 83 in San Diego, California. Benny is survived by his 2 children Edna Marie Moreno and Margaret Caruso. He will be missed dearly by his family and friends.



## Tribute Wall

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TC

**Teresa Cooper** shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Rest In Peace Benny, I only knew you for a very short time, but I will always remember you. I will always remember too the time you came with Edna to the junior drag races where my husband and I were and you brought those delicious tamales. That was a very fun day.

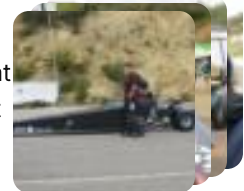


October 21 at 8:44 AM

TC

**Teresa Cooper** shared 10 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

I had only met you once or twice, but I will never forget you. I knew right away that you were a very kind and caring person. My awesome memory is one of the most wonderful weekends I have had. It was March 9th and 10th of 2013. My husband was the crew chief for a friend's son and the racing team they had. Your beautiful daughter, you, and some more of the family decided to join our fun. And you brought us all tamales and boy were they good! It was such a fun time that I will always treasure. Your friend, Teresa



March 19 at 2:21 AM

GH

**Glen Heckler** posted:

I Love You Uncle Benny and Aunt LaVerne . I'm so glad I got to spend time with you when I brought my baby to SDSU . I was so excited every time I got to see you as a kid and as a adult . Your the kind of person that made the world a better place .Your a Loving Husband , father , brother , son , uncle , friend. I will remember and love you forever .

March 28 at 12:01 PM

CP

**Connie & Jake Paradise** posted:

We really were honored to be able to get to know Ben. He is the Grandfather of Marie who is the Mother of my Grandson. We had the pleasure of having Ben attend some of our family outings at Fiddlers Cove in San Diego. We got to know him pretty well. He was a lot of fun to be around and always loved to partake of having fun playing games and joining us for BBQ's at the bay. He was in the Navy and so was my husband Jake. The both of them got along very well and loved talking about the good old Navy days. We are planning a trip in May to San Diego and we will miss him not being able to come to spend time with us. Ben was a very kind, funny, and good man and will be sorely missed by his family and friends. He was a very proud native Indian and we had great respect for him. Ben ...rest in peace with God in the happy hunting ground in heaven.

March 21 at 4:29 AM



EM

**Edna Marie Moreno** posted:

I love you Dad, my hero. When you met Mom you told her you had given your life to serve our Country first and she would be second, she accepted. Together you served, protected, sacrificed and loved America for the rest of your life. The pictures you would mail home to us of you and your fellow boilers techs while were over seas showed the burn marks on your shoulders, arms, sweating and so oily from the boilers in the engine room of the USS Kitty Hawk. I remember when I was 8 years old during our Independent Cruise to Bremeton Washington I asked if I could go with you to the engine room, you said yes. You carried me into the boiler room on your back, walking through the boiler room, it was kinda of dark, the boilers were so loud and it was hot. No day light, no fresh air and as you were talking to the boiler Techs they stood strong and proud. Truly a sacrifice of self. I always believed as a child that you were brave, my heart and mind felt this so strongly, even you though you were over seas, I didn't see you but I knew this to be true. In Murphy Canyon Navy housing, as teenagers, you turned the garage into a recreation room for us, pool table, bumper pool table, stereo system you permitted us and our friends to paint the garage walls with characters of our choices. Then one day as an adult you and I talked about the recreation room. I said thank you Dad for our recreation room in Murphy Canyon, you looked at me and said, "you think I did it for you, I didn't the room was created, to keep you and other kids, teenagers who wanted to have fun/safe place to go to off the streets while their Dads were over seas, to help keep all of us out of harm and trouble, even though you never met their Dads you kept watch. Every time you came home from over seas, from a 6 - 10 1/2 month west pack. Edward, Margaret and myself were changed we were growing up while you were away, I remember after a 10 1/2 month west pack you held Edward in your arms and told him look how much you grown. And when you and Mom kissed it sure was a long one.....When you retired it all began the decades of families coming together you brought all of the families and friends together for a good time, supported the orphans, fed the homeless, protected strangers that you didn't know from bullies, saved the VA Medical Center in La Jolla 25 million dollars, loved having a good time. When David wanted you to sing Karaoke you refused so many times and then finally you decided to try you loved it and you continued to sing. Your grandsons/family promise at Halloween to decorate, put out the red carpet and the mirror so when the children, walk up to house and see themselves, dance jump up and down and yell Trick or Treat. . thank you for the wonderful memories. Soon you and Mom will be laid to rest together. I will continue to do as you have requested of me honorably. Heavenly Father, I thank you for creating my DAD, an extraordinary man. To my DAD, my HERO... I love you so very much.... Edna

March 19 at 2:21 AM



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October 20 at 6:23 PM







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