



# Samuel Garza

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**S**amuel Garza was born in San Diego, CA on November 10, 1948, his parents were Manuel Lara Garza and Elvira Martinez and they were born in San Angelo, TX, where they married. Sam was survived by two (2) older sisters; Edna Garza and Elaine Reyes, and two (2) older brothers; Manuel Garza, Jr. and Carlos (Charlie) Garza. Sam attended Sherman Elementary School, Brooklyn Memorial Middle School, and San Diego High School. Sam has three (3) sons; Fernando Garza, Armando Garza & Ricardo Garza, and five (5) grandchildren; whom he loved very much and was always showing off their photos to his family. Sam worked at North Island in Ground Maintenance and he also delivered auto parts. He cared very much for his sister-in-law; Eloise Garza, he would share his personal issues and pain issues with her quite often. During the Vietnam War he was awarded the Silver Star for Gallantry in Action; the 3rd highest Medal Honor, he also received the Bronze Star, The Combat Infantry Badge, and several other medals. He is vetted and listed in the Hall of Valor: <http://valor.militarytimes.com/search.php?term=Samuel+Garza> Sam battled stage 5 kidney disease, & diabetes brought on by “Agent Orange” the chemical spray used to kill foliage during the Vietnam War. Sam was a very modest and reserved person, he didn’t talk much about himself, he loved concerts and music, and playing the slot machines at casinos. He will be truly missed by his loved ones and friends he knew, his pain and suffering are no more, may he rest in peace, The Lord has his hand. \*\*\*\***NOTICE**\*\*\*\* Having the honor of receiving The Silver Star Medal, makes Samuel Garza eligible to have a ground burial at Arlington National Cemetery, the most famous cemetery in the country, the final resting place for our Nation’s Greatest Heroes. The family of Samuel Garza has chosen, his hometown; San Diego, California as his final resting place.



## Tribute Wall

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MG

**Manuel Garza Jr** posted:

SAMMY AND HIS MEDALS, SILVER STAR , BRONZE STAR. AIR MEDAL, COMBAT INFANTRY BADGE, VIETNAM CROSS

August 19 at 8:06 AM

MG

**Manuel Garza Jr** posted:

EDNA GARZA SISTER OLDEST, SAMMY GARZA

August 19 at 8:02 AM

ER

**Erika Reyes** posted:

My uncle Samuel Garza was a warm, kind, and unique person. He will be greatly missed. Here is a poem I wrote in honor of his memory: A Poem for Uncle Dear uncle Sam, We told you we loved you, but you were ill and unaware, Yet, you knew we loved you because you saw how much we cared. You would always listen and let me speak my mind, Back in golden years when all we had was time. You are the eagle who soared high into the heavens, Lived life fast and poor health a result, It overpowered your strength and your life came to a halt. Now lotus and the rose sadly weep, For part of their sunshine they can no longer keep. Together they cry, "Come home, we love and miss you brother!" But this I'm sure you know, You'll live in our hearts forever uncle, Since, love can only grow. I love you uncle Sam. Sincerely, Erika

February 13 at 3:40 PM

AM

**Anna Marquez** posted:

Linda, you are a true friend, you helped him in his time of need...thank you.

February 8 at 9:32 AM

AM

**Anna Marquez** posted:

Sammy, we have known each other since kindergarten at Sherman elementary school. we have been good friends all our adult life, we have done all the things good friends do, we went out, we went out dancing, we went to concerts, went to the casinos and we partied with all our friends from back in the day. You are our hero. I will miss you my dearest friend, God Bless.....RIP.... Love your friend, Anna Marquez

February 8 at 7:22 AM



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**Manuel Garza** posted:

You'll always be remembered from your nephew – Manuel D. Garza

February 6 at 4:15 PM

MG

**Manuel Garza Jr** posted:

sam garza in the middle, charlie to the left, manuel right side of photo

February 3 at 12:50 PM

MG

**Manuel Garza Jr** posted:

sam and older sister edna garza

February 3 at 12:47 PM

LM

**Linda Louise Moore** posted:

I will miss you Sammy.

February 2 at 6:59 AM

LM

**Linda Louise Moore** posted:

I knew Sammy for 37 years. The first 6 years he was my boyfriend, after that he was my friend and for the last 13 years, my friend and roommate. We always tried to help each other. He was fun and sometimes onery. We shared lots of laughs. He was a hero in Viet Nam and credited with saving many lives. He was a believer in Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. See you in heaven my brother.  
Linda Moore

February 2 at 6:53 AM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Samuel by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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