



Robie Meeks

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Robie Meeks was born on June 5th, 1925 in Villa Ridge Illinois to Elbert Meeks and Ann R. Wade. He was the oldest of his siblings, with two younger sisters Katherine Gillespie and Ollie Smith.

Robie's legacy includes his nephew Harold Gillespie and niece Veronica Gillespie.

Robie was a Veteran of World War II where he served as a Sheet Metal Mechanic for The Tuskegee Airmen Regiment in the U.S. Army Air Corps (AAC), a precursor of the U.S. Air Force at that time. Following World War II Robie continued his military career in the Korean War, where he served in the Air Force. During this time, he excelled to the rank of Senior Master Sergeant Chief (SMSG) (E-8).

After the Korean War and retiring from the Air Force, Robie established himself in San Diego where he began his career at North Island's Fleet Readiness Center Southwest as a Sheet Metal Mechanic. He had an outstanding career of Recognition, Promotions, and Several Commendations. His career spanned a total of 70 years of combined service in the U.S. Armed Forces and Federal Civil Service.

During the middle of his career he met a wonderful woman who would soon change his life. Her name was Ruth Garcia.

Robie met Ruth here in San Diego where he knew shortly after meeting her that she was the one he wanted to Marry.

Robie and Ruth shared a wonderful marriage and loving family for 33 years until her unfortunate passing in 2011.

Robie continued living his remaining years here in San Diego still working as a Sheet Metal Mechanic until his retirement in 2015 at the age of 90.

His legacy with his wife Ruth has 6 children who are:

Robert Cesena, Ruth Ortiz, Michelle Cesena, Monica Gonzalez, Martha Hernandez and Patricia Garcia.

Along with their Children are 17 Grandchildren who include:



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Robert Cesena, Richard Cesena, Clemente Ortiz IV, Victor Ortiz, Adelita Nakama, Rachel Ortiz, Felipe Ortiz, Antonio Ortiz, Jonathan Zuluaga, Angelica Zuluaga, Raul Gonzalez, Monique Carroll, Erica Cruz, Jesse Hernandez, Melissa Hernandez, Elizabeth Romero and Andrea Romero. From those Grandchildren there are 20 Great Grandchildren who consist of:

Ciena, Ariana, Alexander, Jacob, Angel, Alex, Anthony, Victor, Julie, Delilah, Leo, Karina, Michael, Lana, Jathan, Levi, Maddox, Gisselle, Issac and Dominic.

Along with his enjoyment of Family and Friends Robie spent time with his passions of Photography, Film Development, Engineering and Fabricating tools alongside many of countless projects. The world has suffered the loss of a Gentleman who had such a unique outlook on life where he put his footprint of Artistry, Ingenuity and Creativity. He will be truly missed.



Events


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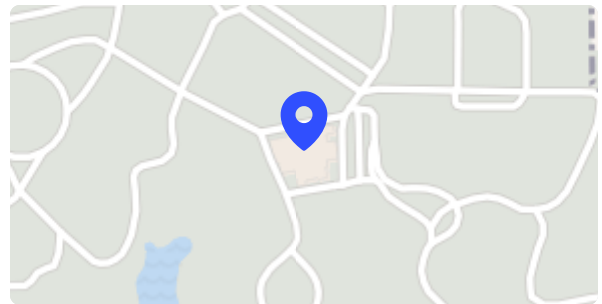
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Visitation


 **Wednesday**, January 13, 2021

 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM PT


 **Greenwood Memorial Park - Garden Chapel**
4300 Imperial Ave., San Diego CA 92113

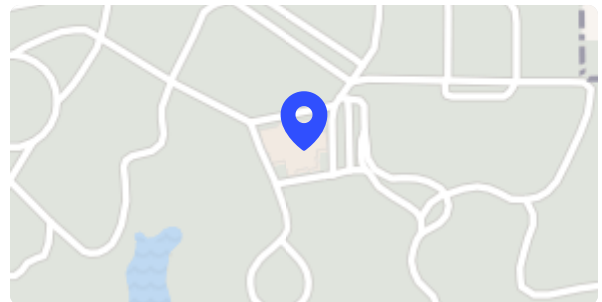


Graveside Service


 **Friday**, January 15, 2021


 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM PT

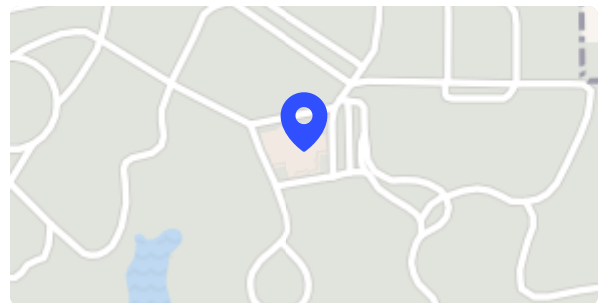
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Cemetery Details

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 **(619) 450-1479**





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Patricia Garcia posted:

Robbie Meeks was my father, I remember helping him work on his VW bug, going to the Navy Exchange to shop, and listen to his stories of when he was in the Air Force. I took care of my dad after my mother passed away up until his passing, I would do it all over again just to have more time with him. I will never forget you dad, you will always be with me in my heart. I will miss you dearly , may you rest in peace. I love you dad.

November 7 at 12:54 AM



Dianna Darby lit a candle in honor of Robie.



July 9 at 7:18 AM



Curtis posted:

Sorry to about the passing of Mr. Meeks. I only found out through searching for his number. Curtis Tinson Albany,Georgia

June 10 at 2:29 PM



Anonymous sent an Arrive in Style to the Meeks family.



January 13 at 5:33 AM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Meeks family.



January 12 at 7:03 PM



Katherine Gillespie And Famiy sent a Treasured Lilies Spray to the Meeks family.



January 11 at 10:33 AM



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Olivia Romero shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.



Our deepest condolences to the Cesena and Garcia family. We will miss hearing all the history stories that Uncle Robie lived through, and as Uncle Robie would say, "You know, history books didn't always get it right" then he would laugh. Our entire family will always remember how he photographed all our family events and his beautiful Christmas photo book that he personally prepared for the hosting family. Such a gentle spirit who always greeted you with a bright smile and heartfelt hug. Uncle Robie will be dearly missed. May he Rest In Peace; May his memory be a blessing to all of us. Love, Olivia Romero

January 10 at 7:26 AM



Jerry Sanchez posted:

My condolences to the family. I worked with and around Robie from 1982 until his retirement from North Island. Great guy 🙏🙏

January 5 at 1:47 PM



Rick Miller January 8 at 3:08 AM

Condolences to family, Mr. Meeks was always very helpful with his many years of knowledge pertaining to A/C repair, learned many things from Mr. Meeks...will always be remembered....





Media

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Memories only last if you share them

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



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