



Jerry Torres

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On July 8th, 2023, the heavens became a bit safer as Staff Sergeant Jerry Torres, USMC, Retired, walked tall through the pearly gates. Upon his arrival in heaven, Jerry was asked, "How have you loved?" "Endlessly," he responded. He was then asked, "How have you lived?" He proudly responded, "Fearlessly." Jerry Torres was a son of the Bronx, the proudest Marine you have ever met, but above all, a devoted father. After the birth of his children, his proudest achievement was actively serving in the United States Marine Corps from 1979 to 1999. Jerry graduated from MCRD Parris Island in November 1979. He honorably served his country as an Infantryman and a Marine Security Guard stationed at the US Embassies in Guatemala and Costa Rica. Jerry was assigned to I Co 3/8, W Co 3/1, L Co 3/1, G Co 2/1, SOI West, and deployed to Ground Defense Forces, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. Jerry retired after serving 20 years in August 1999. Jerry was the epitome of the phrase "Once a Marine, always a Marine." After being diagnosed with ALS in 2014, Jerry fought with the biggest heart, toughest grit, and widest smile you could imagine. He taught us all to "LAUGH as much as you breathe and LOVE as much as you live." Jerry's battle with ALS was nothing short of courageous, and like a true Marine, he fought it until the very end. We can definitely say that he won. Jerry is survived by his three children, Gabriel, Priscilla, and Alexander, and his wife, Marilyn. He was preceded by his mother, Priscilla, brother Mickey, and sister Martita, who greeted him upon his arrival in the heavens. There will be a closed casket viewing on July 25th from 4 pm to 8 pm at Greenwood Memorial Park & Mortuary. We will then be celebrating Jerry's life on July 26th at 11:30 am at Greenwood Memorial Park & Mortuary, followed by interment at Miramar National Cemetery right afterward. Flowers may be sent to Greenwood Memorial Park in his name on July 25th, or please consider a donation to the ALS Foundation in Jerry's name.



Events

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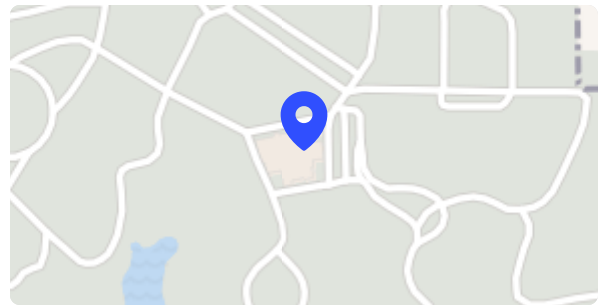
Visitation

 **Tuesday**, July 25, 2023

 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM PT


 **Greenwood Mortuary - Garden Chapel Courtyard**

4300 Imperial Ave., San Diego CA 92113



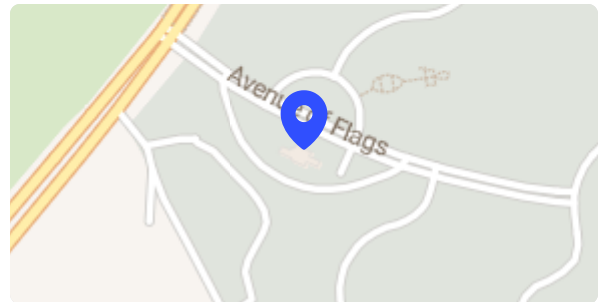
Committal Service with Honors

 **Wednesday**, July 26, 2023

 2:00 AM - 3:00 PM PT

 **Miramar National Cemetery**

5795 Nobel Drive, San Diego CA 92121



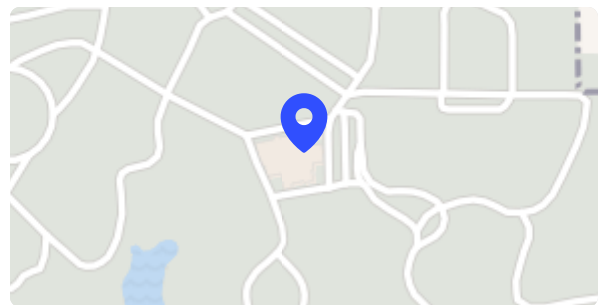
Celebration of Life

 **Wednesday**, July 26, 2023

 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM PT

 **Greenwood Mortuary - Garden Chapel Courtyard**

4300 Imperial Ave., San Diego CA 92113





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Denise Mejias shared 3 photos to the **Memories Album** album.



November 12 at 3:43 AM



Denise Mejias posted:

Wow this is so sad. Jerry was a groomsman in my wedding back in 1980. our connection was lost shortly after he went into the Marines with my brother Derek. He was never ever forgotten. Condolences to the family for the loss of a very loving man. Denise Mejias

November 12 at 3:06 AM



Jose And Olivia Acosta sent a Sacred Duty Spray to the Torres family.



July 18 at 5:22 PM



Anonymous planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Jerry.



July 18 at 3:41 AM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Torres family.



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Carola & Shane Morton sent a Sacred Duty Spray to the Torres family.



July 17 at 4:54 AM



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Al Adler shared a photo to the **Memories Album** album.



July 14 at 1:37 AM



Greenwood Memorial Park & Mortuary shared an album called **Memories Album**.



July 13 at 3:23 PM



Jose Acosta July 13 at 5:35 PM

Jerry, my brother from Da Bronx, thank you for the 48 years of memories and laughs. I will miss you, but will never forget you and your courage to live and love, no matter the circumstances. Till we meet again, Semper Fi.



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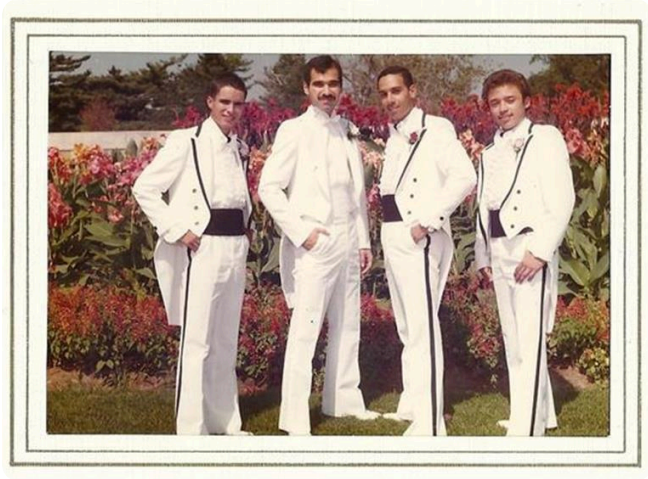
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Derek and Jerry





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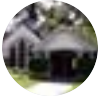


1993 AI Adler, Tanya, Gabriel, Ruth Adler, Jerry, Alex



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Greenwood Memorial Park & Mortuary shared a photo to the **Memories Album** July 13 at 3:23 PM album.





Memories only last if you share them

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



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