



Forest, Lorenzo

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Lorenzo was born September 11, 1947, in Memphis, Tennessee, to the late Herman and Gertrude Forest. He shared a particularly close bond with his mother, whose love and guidance remained a cornerstone throughout his life. He was preceded in death by his siblings: James Forest, Catherine Forest, Herman Forest Jr., and Mildred Jean May.

A proud graduate of Hamilton High School, Class of 1965, Lorenzo distinguished himself as a talented athlete. He excelled in football, earning recognition during his senior year, and also played baseball throughout all four years of high school. In addition to his athletic pursuits, he was musically gifted where his smooth voice left a lasting impression.

Following his graduation in 1965, Lorenzo enlisted in the United States Marine Corps and honorably served his country during the Vietnam War.

Throughout his life, Lorenzo built a remarkable and diverse career, working for the National Steel and Shipbuilding Company, Gallo Wine Company, and Pepsi Co. He later dedicated over 25 years of service to the San Diego Community College District. During his tenure, he made a meaningful impact on the lives of many employees, serving as an active union member and a strong advocate for workers' rights.

Encouraged by his devoted wife, Berdie Forest, Lorenzo pursued higher education while continuing his full-time career and maintaining his deep commitment to family. In 2000, he proudly earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration Management from San Diego State University.

Lorenzo is survived by his loving wife, Berdie Forest and two daughters (from his first union with Elizabeth Forest) Melinda Condry (Daryle Condry) and their daughter Mackenzie Condry, Misty Forest ;and adopted daughter Isla Morgan-Forest.



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He is also fondly remembered by his stepchildren, George Morgan and Torin Childress. George Morgan is the parent of Kayla, Kevin, and Lita Morgan. Torin Childress and his wife, Abigail, are the proud parents of Torin Kingston and Ava Childress.

Lorenzo's grandchildren brought immense joy to his life, and he cherished every moment spent with them.

He will be remembered for his unwavering integrity, positive spirit, warm smile, and genuine kindness. Lorenzo was a loyal friend with a compassionate presence, touching the lives of all who had the privilege of knowing him. He was fondly called "The Mayor of Westby" by the neighborhood.

Lorenzo's warmth, creativity, and generous love for family and friends will never be forgotten. His presence made others feel at home, and his legacy lives on in the many lives he touched.






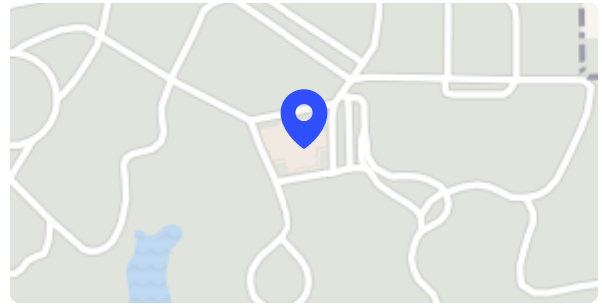
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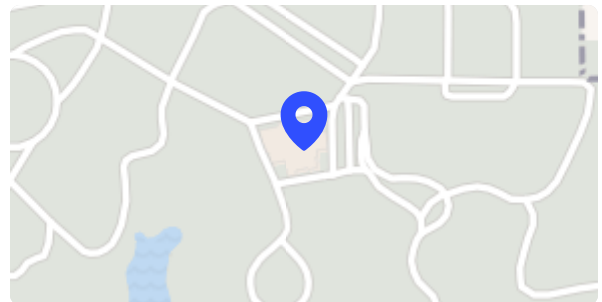
Visitation

-  **Wednesday**, April 8, 2026
-  4:00 PM - 8:00 PM PT
-  **Garden Chapel at Greenwood**
4300 Imperial Ave., San Diego CA 92113






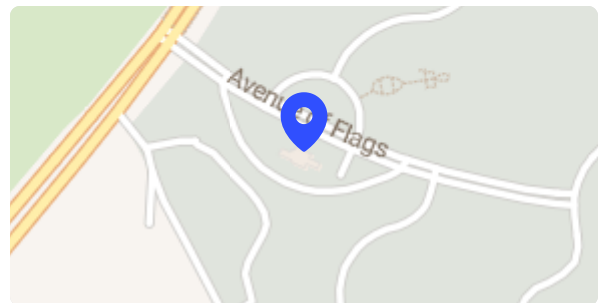
FUNERAL SERVICE

-  **Thursday**, April 9, 2026
-  9:00 AM - 10:00 AM PT
-  **Garden Chapel at Greenwood**
4300 Imperial Ave., San Diego CA 92113





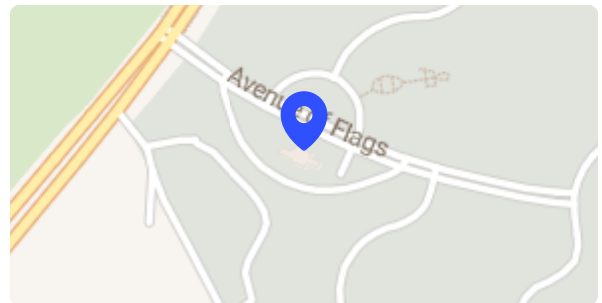
Committal Service with Honors

-  **Thursday**, April 9, 2026
-  11:15 AM - 11:45 AM PT
-  **Miramamar National Cemetery**
5795 Nobel Drive, San Diego CA 92121



Cemetery Details

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-  **858-658-7360**





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Nedra Augustine posted:

I will forever be grateful for the friendship and love from my dear coworker and friend. He definitely was a pillar at MidCity and his love for his wife and grandchildren was undeniable. Prayers for Peace and comfort for the family. Love, Joe & Nedra Augustine

April 11 at 7:42 AM



Donna Rogers-Okafor lit a candle in honor of Lorenzo.

It has been a honor to know Lorenzo for 40 years and all the wonderful memories of spending time with his family and extended family. I will always cherish these memories and remember his beautiful smile. Donna Rogers-Okafor & Family



April 8 at 9:53 PM



Anonymous planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Lorenzo.



April 8 at 8:52 PM



Michael & Regina Smith sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Forest family.



April 8 at 10:24 AM



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Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Forest family.



April 7 at 11:39 PM



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Cynthia Keltner posted:

I'm a Mid City teacher whose life was enriched by Lo His smile made my day everyday! I always looked forward to seeing him and talking to him. When I broke my ankle , Lo would come down to the garage and get my wheelchair out of my car and take me to my classroom. After class this would be repeated. This definitely was not part of his job description He was a special human being ❤️ To his family, you will always carry his heart in your heart ❤️. Love you my friend ❤️. Cindy Keltner

April 7 at 8:47 PM



Erica Houston shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.



One of my favorite memories with Mr. Lorenzo happened by chance, which makes it even more special. I was at the airport in San Diego getting ready to fly back to Nashville when I heard someone call my name. I remember thinking, "There's no way anyone here knows me." But when I turned around, it was him.I was so happy to see him. He gave me the biggest hug, and I told him we had to take a picture so I could send it to Melinda. I'm really glad we did.Every time I look at that picture, I think about his smile and his energy. He just had a way about him. He instantly made me feel like family from the moment I met him. That's how I'll always remember him.

April 7 at 8:21 PM



Erick & Andrea sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Forest family.



April 7 at 8:13 PM



Fred Davis sent an Arrive in Style to the Forest family.



April 7 at 5:25 PM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Forest family.



April 7 at 8:42 AM



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April 5 at 4:56 PM



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Memories only last if you share them

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



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