



## Roy G. Garcia

June 20, 1934 - September 1, 2019

Roy Garcia passed away on September 1, 2019 from a short illness after breaking his hip. He was born in San Bernadino, California on June 20, 1934 to Merced and Guadalupe Garcia and joined eight brothers and sisters on the small farm in East Bakersfield that they called home.

Roy attended local schools graduating from East Bakersfield High School in 1952 before attending Bakersfield College. Roy made many friends along the way, and cherished those friendships all of his life. In 1956, Roy married Marilyn Birge who he always said he married the most beautiful woman in the world. Roy started working for Mohawk Refinery as a Mechanical Draftsman in 1956. While working at Mohawk Refinery he and Marilyn welcomed two beautiful daughters, Shannon and Susan. He worked for Mohawk Refinery/Getty Oil/Texaco/Chevron for close to 40 years before retiring in the early 1990's.

Dad grew up on a small family farm and I truly believe he was happiest when he was with his family, working in his yard and spending time with his dogs. From the time I was small child, dad always had a garden and hunting dogs. Dad grew the best fruits and vegetables which he passed onto neighbors, he definitely had a green thumb and could grow anything. He always had hunting dogs, many who he trained himself and he was so proud when they appeared in hunting magazines for winning awards.

Although strict in raising us, mom and dad were always fair and never short on love. Dad instilled in my sister and I that we were Garcia's and there was no limit to what we could achieve. Dad taught us to be honest, hard working and responsible people and we strive to live this way today. Up until the time that dad broke his hip, he met friends at Spencer's on Rosedale Highway every morning at 5:30 often arriving before opening only to nap in his truck. He loved his mornings at Spencer's but he thought the coffee was too expensive!

Roy is preceded in death by his parents, 3 brothers and 3 sisters. He is survived by his wife Marilyn, daughter Shannon Garcia-Brown and husband Randy, daughter Susan Garcia and partner Kevin Haley, sisters Becky Pletcher and Corine Ford, numerous nieces, nephews and friends who will hold onto the precious memories of time spent with my father. We would like to thank Optimal Hospice for their care and dedication to our father and his caregiver/entertainer Paulette who always seemed to make him laugh, Cindy and Debbie at Spencer's, thank you for the cookies and ice cream and know he truly enjoyed your friendship, neighbors Tim and Tina who helped with the yard and an endless supply of Sees candies, Larry and Lorraine, your help made it possible to bring dad home and allowed Susan and I to focus on his care and comfort. We truly appreciate each one of you.

# Cemetery Details

## **Greenlawn Southwest**

2739 Panama Ln  
Bakersfield, CA 93313

# Tribute Wall

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**Shannon Garcia-Brown** - September 05, 2019 at 02:41 PM

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*Our deepest condolences. Roy was a good man and an excellent neighbor. He always could be counted on to give good advice and tips to maintain our home. Whether it was planting a tree or laying concrete. He kept us supplied with peaches tomatoes and chili's and we returned salsa and peach cobbler. He will greatly be missed on Kimberly Ave. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family. Andrew & Delphine Lopez.*

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**lopez Family** - September 06, 2019 at 04:53 PM