

Order of Service

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· Pall Bearers

Ricardo Carrasco Matthew Kamba Manny Saenzpardo Lawrence Rush Aubrey Strain Chris Saenzpardo

Life of Ricardo

Ricardo Carrasco, 66, passed away on September 25th after a valiant battle with lung cancer. Ricardo was born on June 17, 1954 in El Paso to Roberto & Martha Carrasco. He was named after his uncle Ricardo Carrasco, a Korean War hero who died in action. A few years later his family moved to Culver City's Mar Vista Gardens Housing Projects.

Ricardo attended Catholic school through his senior year at Saint Monica High School where he excelled as a student, as well as a track and cross country star. In 1969 he won 1st place in Jr. Varsity Cross Country. He continued to win various medals until he had to stop due to an appendicitis.

He attended West LA College and later UCLA. While going to school, he worked as a produce clerk, a recreation leader at the Culver Recreation Center and as an assistant track cross-country coach where he trained distance runners at Saint Monica High School. He also was a mediator for the Neighborhood Justice Center in Venice, an Assistant Project Director for Barrios Unidos Westside Inc where he proudly counseled many at-risk youth, helped them find jobs, fundraised, and more.

Ricardo enlisted in the army in 1981 where he served until 1983. During his time stationed in Germany he received many citations, including the Expert Badge with M-16, Hand Grenade, and the .45 Caliber Pistol. He earned the respect of his superiors and thus was the only non-officer allowed to carry his pistol on base. He heroically stopped a bomb attempt one day in the early morning while on guard duty.

After his time in the army he came home, got married to his longtime girlfriend, Saralilia and shortly after, they had a son. He started a trucking business for a few years and later went back to Saint Monica High School to become Head Track Coach. He later settled at Mount Saint Mary's college processing books for the Library and helping create its website. He shared fond memories of the nuns and students he met and worked with on campus.

When he wasn't working, or riding his motorcycles, you could find him playing basketball, or his beloved ping pong with his many friends. He had a unique sense of humor which was appreciated by family and friends. Ricardo was a loving father, brother, uncle, and a brave soldier. He is survived by his loving son Ricardo, age 34, his sisters Barbara, Frances, Leandra and younger brother Robert.