



## Manuel Cardoza Hernandez Sr.

February 17, 1934 - February 16, 2025

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of our beloved husband, father, brother, grandfather, and brother in Christ Jesus, Manuel Cardoza Hernandez Sr, who peacefully left us on the 16th of February 2025.

A man of great character, wisdom, and kindness, Manuel was a source of unwavering love and support to all who knew him. Born on February 17th, 1934 in Madera, California, he dedicated his life to God, his family and his country, serving the United States ARMY in the Screaming Eagles 101st Airborne Division as an Infantry Paratrooper. His legacy of hard work, humor, and deep affection for his loved ones will live on in the hearts of those who had the privilege to know him.

He is survived by his wife Josephine Phillips Hernandez, daughters Ruby, Dolly, Bonnie, son Manuel Jr., his grandchildren, Amy, Tiffany, Jonathon, Roseann, Grant, Amanda, Cameron, Mason, his great-grandchildren Andrew, Anthony, Reid, Adrina, Henry, Kingston, Charles, great-great-grandchild Elowyn, siblings Grace and Alex and a host of extended family and friends who will forever cherish the memories and love he provided throughout his life. His nurturing presence will be deeply missed but never forgotten.

A military burial service will be held at the CA Central Coast Veterans Cemetery on March 3rd at 11AM, followed by a celebration of his life at the

Morgan Hill Cultural Center from 2-5PM. In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests donations to Central Coast Veterans Cemetery Foundation in his memory.

Rest in peace, my love. You will live forever in our hearts and souls.

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

MAR 3. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (PT)

CA Central Coast Veterans Cemetery  
2900 Parker Flats Road  
Seaside, CA 93955

## Celebration of life

MAR 3. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (PT)

Morgan Hill Community and Cultural Center  
17000 Monterey Rd  
Morgan Hill , CA 95037

*Celebration of Life following service at the Morgan Hill Community and Cultural Center*

# Tribute Wall

AR

“ 9 files added to the tribute wall



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**Amanda Rice** - February 24, 2025 at 04:31 PM

OP

“ *My condolences to all.*

*Many childhood memories of seeing him. Such a kind and respectful man. I remember going to church w/ my grandma (I was 5 or so) that was invited by Grandma Gracie and from there I meet everyone. My heart goes out to all of you. And Josie may God continue giving u strength in this difficult time. We love u. And all of u, u are all in my prayers!*

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**Oralia Medina Perez** - February 22, 2025 at 05:35 PM

RA

“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



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**Roseann Ahlin** - February 22, 2025 at 11:23 AM

RA

“ Grandpa, I miss you more than words can express. Your love, strength, and unwavering faith shaped me in ways I'll carry with me forever. Your humor brightened even the darkest days, and I will always cherish the memories we shared. You made such a profound impact on my life, and though you're no longer with us, your spirit will live on in my heart for all time. Thank you for being my rock, my guide, and my greatest supporter. I love you always.



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**Roseann Ahlin** - February 22, 2025 at 11:07 AM

AM

“ 2 files added to the album *Grandpa Manuel*



**Amy M Martinez** - February 21, 2025 at 06:30 PM

BO

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



**Bonnie** - February 21, 2025 at 06:23 PM

AR

“ 1 file added to the album *Grandpa Manuel*



**Amanda Rice** - February 21, 2025 at 05:31 PM

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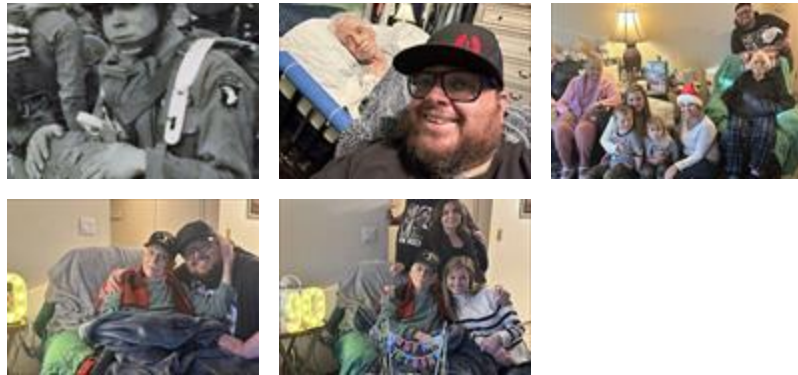
“ *Amy M Martinez sent a virtual gift in memory of Manuel Cardoza Hernandez Sr.*



**Amy M Martinez** - February 21, 2025 at 04:41 PM

JH

“ *Hero. Role model. Grandfather and so much more.* ”



jonathon hernandez - February 20, 2025 at 10:48 PM

BO

“ *3 files added to the tribute wall* ”



Bonnie - February 20, 2025 at 10:38 PM

AM

“ *Amy Martinez lit a candle in memory of Manuel Cardoza Hernandez Sr.* ”



Amy Martinez - February 20, 2025 at 10:34 PM

JR

“ Thank you, Tio Manuel, for great memories I had as a kid and up until now. I have many fond memories of you, especially when you took me and my mom to Disneyland with your family. You always remembered to give me a bucket full of persimmons from your tree. You’re a generous man. I’ll miss our visits each time I visit Gilroy. Rest in peace, Tio.



Jennifer Ramanathan - February 20, 2025 at 09:15 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Manuel Cardoza Hernandez Sr..

February 20, 2025 at 09:05 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Manuel Cardoza Hernandez Sr..



February 20, 2025 at 09:05 AM

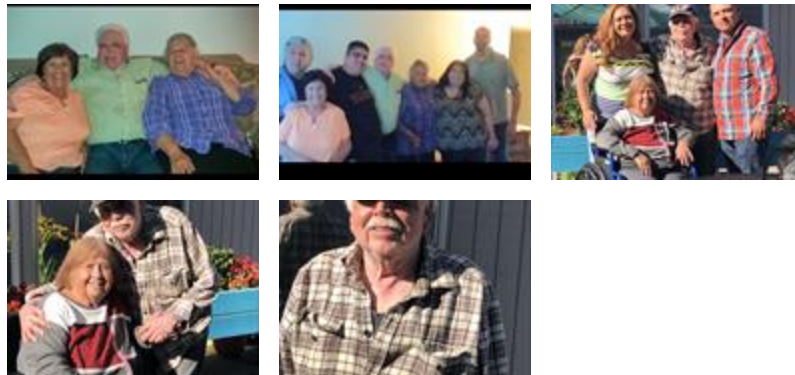
Jl

“ *mamas many visit with Tio Manuel*

JoAnn Ibarra - February 20, 2025 at 09:01 AM

Jl

“ My Tio Manuel was an amazing man always praying for his family near or far, so many testimony to share of Gods power through this warrior for our family He was our cornerstone our matriarch, he left behind great discipleship legacy of leadership for us to fallow.in these photos are my mom MaryAnn on one of her many visits with Tio Manuel , and the last picture of Tio manuel visiting my mom at the rehab, after mama past i continued visiting my tio he was my last Tio and God saved the best for last. My love for this man goes beyond measure, I can only imagine him dancing before the lord thanking him for all of his Glory.  
I will never forget you thank you Tio Manuel for never giving up on us. Rest easy now you’ve earned it  
Thanks be to God



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**JoAnn Ibarra** - February 20, 2025 at 09:00 AM

Jl

“ JoAnn Ibarra lit a candle in memory of Manuel Cardoza Hernandez Sr.



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**JoAnn Ibarra** - February 20, 2025 at 01:13 AM

AR

“ I love you forever Grandpa. I'm beyond grateful for the relationship we had and the memories we shared. Adrina misses her Papa so much already. Thank you for everything you did for me and my babies. We are so fortunate that you were such a influential part of our lives. Love you always.



Amanda Rice - February 19, 2025 at 08:01 PM

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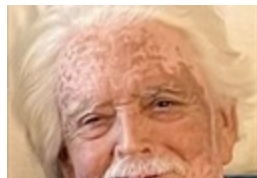
“ Dolly lit a candle in memory of Manuel Cardoza Hernandez Sr.



Dolly - February 19, 2025 at 06:52 PM

DO

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Dolly - February 19, 2025 at 05:22 PM

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“ Dolly lit a candle in memory of Manuel Cardoza Hernandez Sr.



Dolly - February 19, 2025 at 05:20 PM

BO

“ Bonnie lit a candle in memory of Manuel Cardoza Hernandez Sr.



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**Bonnie** - February 19, 2025 at 05:16 PM

SL

“ My tio Manuel was a Blessing to my Life I Lived when he would and see how we were doing and letting us know he was praying for us. Loved our visits n times spent talking about God and singing together those memories my husband Paul and I will always cherish n keep in our hearts Love you tio Manuel Paul & Susie Luna praying for my Tia Josie n family we Love you 💜

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**Susie Luna** - February 19, 2025 at 04:03 PM

LM

“ We have so many memories of uncle Manuel. We visited him and Tia Josie every year. When they were younger they would visit us in Oregon. We loved his humor and kindness. I'm going to miss him making us coffee every morning when we would visit. When he met someone, he would never forget them. He would always ask about the young people we would bring over on our way to church camp. They all remember him fondly. We love you uncle Manuel. You will forever be in our hearts.  
Loretta

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**Loretta Martinez** - February 19, 2025 at 01:48 PM