

Mr. David Martinez

July 15, 1935 - March 25, 2017

David Martinez, 81, of Holmes Beach, Florida, born in Susanville, California on July 15, 1935, entered into eternal rest on March 25, 2017. He was a veteran of the United States Navy, and was the owner/operator of Somar Electrical of San Francisco, California. He was a member of the Lakeland (Florida) Yacht Club. He loved his family, and he enjoyed golfing, and fixing and tinkering with anything. He is survived by his wife of 17 years, Janice McDonald Martinez; children, Carole McDonald Wilson (Sam) of Lakeland, Keith McDonald (Cecilia) of Lakeland, and Stephen McDonald (Jeanette) of Winter Haven; grandchildren, Michael, Matthew, Carl, Asa, Haylee, Alexander, Kenny and Erin; brother, Jesus Martinez (Mayna), and nephew, Mauricio of Mexico; sister-in-law, Ann Martinez, niece, Elizabeth, and nephews, Danny and David of California; and many great-nieces, nephews, family, friends, and Yorkies, Alice and Stella. He was preceded in death by his brother, Jesus "Jess" Martinez. A Celebration of Life will be held on Friday, March 31, at 3:00 P.M. at Hopewell Funeral Home, 6005 CR 39 S, Plant City, where the family will receive friends beginning at 2:00 P.M. Committal to follow at Alderman Pelote Cemetery, Lithia. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Shriners Hospital for Children, 2900 N. Rocky Point Drive, Tampa, FL 33607, and/or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105. Expressions of condolence at www.HopewellFuneral.com.

Cemetery Details

Alderman-Pelote Cemetery

Pelote Cemetery Road
Lithia, FL 33547

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 31. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Hopewell Funeral Home
6005 County Road 39 South
Plant City, FL 33567
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Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall



“ Hopewell Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. David Martinez



Hopewell Funeral Home - March 29, 2017 at 02:00 PM



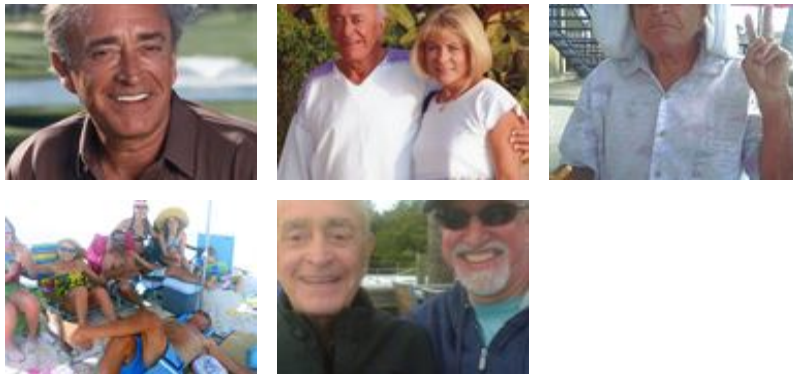
“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. David Martinez.



March 29, 2017 at 02:31 PM



“ 86 files added to the album Life Tributes



Hopewell Funeral Home - March 29, 2017 at 01:54 PM

WB

“ We Love You. Russell & Debbie Barnes purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. David Martinez.



We Love You. Russell & Debbie Barnes - March 29, 2017 at 01:22 PM

DM

“ Last year my wife Sharon and I went to visit Uncle Dave and Aunt Janice in Ana Maria. We went for a ride down to the botanical gardens and Uncle Dave was going to be content sitting on the chair outside of the botanical garden. I told Dave (knowing that there iwas most likely wheelchairs inside) if they have wheelchairs inside you're coming. I walked inside the door and there was all kinds of wheelchairs.

Dave enjoyed sharing pushing him around. He was calling her his nurse. Until we got to some dirt area where I had to push him and he nearly fell out with all the bumps. I think it was karma's way of getting back at him for all the jokes that he ever did to me.

I was so thankful that we got to make that trip.

I'll miss our phone calls and my connection to my father.



David Martinez - March 29, 2017 at 02:19 AM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. David Martinez.*



March 28, 2017 at 10:08 PM



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Jane - March 28, 2017 at 09:18 PM



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Munkdale - March 28, 2017 at 09:11 PM

JA

“ Paul and I are so blessed and grateful we made the trip last month to see Dave and Janice. We love you like family and cherished our time together. We will miss our health debates, healing sessions and golf games with Dave. He always made us laugh and was so generous.

Jane Guyette and Paul Ho-Sing-Loy

Jane - March 28, 2017 at 09:01 PM

JM

“ Dave was our "Papi". We loved him and he loved all of us dearly and deeply. He became a part of our family 17 years ago. We were blessed to have known him. He loved his grandchildren with his whole heart. There is nothing he would not do for them. I am grateful my children had the pleasure of spending the last week of his life with him. I am grateful that we went out to eat the night before. We dined, we had drinks, we laughed and laughed. I am grateful my children had this last day with him. Papi will be missed dearly. We love you.

*Stephen & Jeanette
Kenny, Haylee, Alexander*

Jeanette McDonald - March 28, 2017 at 04:41 PM

EL

i was lucky to have met dave when he and janice decided they would spend the rest of their lives together. a commitment that they both held dear. i only wish that they could have more time together. and my only regret is that i am not there to say goodbye. dave was a generous man who would do anything for the people he loved. and he loved janice and her family. may god rest his soul

ellen levine - March 28, 2017 at 07:34 PM