



## Manuel Otero-Penas

August 21, 1930 - December 22, 2018

Manuel Otero-Penas, 88, died at his home on Saturday, December 22, 2018. He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Gloria Otero. Loving father to Rosalia Otero, Carlos Otero, Jorge Velasquez, and Francisca Otero; grandfather to Mauricio, Pablo and Florencia Perez, Natalia, Virginia, Sabrina and Lautaro Otero, and Jared, Garrett and Mason Velasquez; great grandfather to River Ashland Velasquez and Agustin Laramendi Perez.

Born in Galicia, Spain, Manuel left his homeland at the age of 18 in search of greater economic opportunity after growing up during the Spanish Civil War. He immigrated first to South America, then to the United States in 1963, and eventually settled down in Alexandria, Virginia in 1970. He traveled extensively to practice his trade as a Stone Mason, and in practicing his trade he has left his mark in many places. We can still witness the fruits of his labor when visiting Virginia Tech, Duke University, and several buildings and monuments around D.C. or during drives along the Baltimore Washington Parkway, Clara Barton Parkway, and Skyline Drive. His skill at building was not limited to his work with stone, but also by the strength of his ties to his family and friends. Many considered him to be a surrogate father.

Visitation will be at Jefferson Funeral Chapel, 5755 Castlewellan Dr. Alexandria, VA on Thursday, December 27, 2018 from 4-8 PM. Funeral mass will be held at Good Shepherd Catholic Church, 8710 Mount Vernon Hwy,

Alexandria, VA 22309, at noon on Friday, December 28, 2018. Interment following at Mt. Comfort Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

# Tribute Wall



“ Jefferson Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Manuel Otero-Penas



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**Jefferson Funeral Chapel** - December 22, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ Manuel Otero-Penas

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October 27, 2022 at 09:45 PM



“ Manuel Otero-Penas

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**Beautiful in Blue** - December 27, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ I will remember my Uncle Manuel Otero as someone who you could count on, as someone who always had the door open to his family and friends. He was a great uncle who always made for pleasant company, I enjoyed playing cards, taking walks, drinking coffee and watching sports with him. It was relaxing to be around him. I will miss him very much. D.E.P Tio Manolo.

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December 27, 2018 at 12:00 AM

HC

“ *Manuel Otero-Penas*

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**Heaven's Comfort** - December 27, 2018 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ *Manuel Otero-Penas*

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**Beautiful in Blue** - December 27, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ *Tio Manuel, you will always be loved and remembered.*

*One of my most cherished memories of my uncle was working together on the walkway by the deck of his home. He was known as a hard worker who loved his family. I will always be grateful to him for his love and support.*

*- Carlos Lobo.*

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December 27, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ *In memory of my Uncle Manolo and the many times we played cards together.*

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**Cards & Dice** - December 27, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ *Manuel Otero-Penas*

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December 27, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Manuel Otero-Penas*

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**Heavenly Light** - December 26, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ *Manuel Otero-Penas*

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**Rose Garden Heart** - December 26, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ *Es una bendici&#243;n y un privilegio tener un t&#237;o tan cari&#243;oso como nuestro t&#237;o Manolo. Siempre sonriendo, dando consejos, y dispuesto a ayudar con todo lo necesario. Sus preciosos ojos azules brillando con cari&#243;o hacia su gente querida. Su felicidad era tener a la familia junta y feliz. Te vamos a echar mucho de menos. “Hola Marujita, bonita, e lojo Xelito onde anda, e os rapaces”.....estar&#225;n siempre en mi mente y mi coraz&#243;n. Te queremos mucho t&#237;o.*

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December 26, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ *Manuel Otero-Penas*

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**Heart** - December 26, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ *Manuel Otero-Penas*

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**Tender Tribute** - December 26, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ *Manuel Otero-Penas*

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**Sentiments of Serenity Spray** - December 26, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ *Manuel Otero-Penas*

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**Written in the Stars** - December 26, 2018 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ *Manuel Otero-Penas*

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**Serene Reflections Bouquet** - December 26, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Manuel Otero-Penas*

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**Full Of Love Bouquet** - December 25, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Manuel Otero-Penas*

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**Beautiful in Blue** - December 25, 2018 at 12:00 AM