



LTC USA Victor M. Torres

May 24, 1938 - March 15, 2019

VICTOR M. TORRES

Lieutenant Colonel, U. S. Army

Lieutenant Colonel Victor M. Torres died peacefully at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center on March 15, 2019, as a result of pulmonary complications. A veteran of Korea, Vietnam, Panama and Germany, he was awarded the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, four Vietnam Cross of Gallantry, and Army Commendation Medal.

Victor was born on May 24, 1938, in Santurce, Puerto Rico, to Angela Medina de Torres and Francisco Torres Morales.

Victor showed interest in a military career early on when he joined the Puerto Rico National Guard in 1954 during his tenure at Central High School in Puerto Rico. Afterward, he enrolled to the University of Puerto Rico and was awarded a scholarship. In the University of Puerto Rico, he continued with his military formation by enrolling in the ROTC program. On the third year of college, Victor was selected to be the Drill Master of the Pershing Rifles Drill Team, which performed at every ROTC ceremony and parades; also participated at the Inter-Colleges competition and at a local Television Show. At the end of the school year in June 1960, Victor was awarded the Department of the Army Superior Cadet Ribbon, which was the highest

award, bestowed to an ROTC cadet. In 1961, he got commissioned and entered active duty. During this year, Victor also married his first wife, Yolanda, and moved with her to Fort Benning, Georgia where he started Officer Basic Training.

In 1962, Victor was assigned to Fort Hood, Texas, as an Infantry Platoon Leader, Company C, First Armored Division. During that year the Cuban crisis developed and the First Armored Division (OLD IRONSIDES) was deployed to Florida for a possible invasion into Cuba. The unit was stationed at Fort Stewart, Georgia where President Kennedy visit the unit. This was the first time Victor met a President of the United States. At the end of October 1962, the crisis was over and his First Armored Division returned to Fort Hood.

On February 1964, Victor went to Korea and returned to the U.S on February 1965. The following year he received orders to Vietnam and he was there during the Tet offensive of 1968. After Vietnam, Victor attended the Infantry Officer Advance Course at Fort Benning, Georgia and then was assigned to Panama. He returned to Vietnam one more time in January 1972 where he spent another year until the cease fire was signed.

On November 17, 1977, Victor was assigned as Deputy Post Commander of Fort Myer, and remained in Fort Myer until his reassignment in June 1982 to the Army Discharge Review Board, Office of the Secretary of the Army in the Pentagon, which came to be his last military assignment as he retired on June 30, 1985.

Before retiring from the armed forces, Victor accepted employment with the office of the Governor of Puerto Rico in Washington, DC where he worked until February 1993. On October 27, 1994 his first wife passed away after fighting cancer for a year and a half. On February 7, 2001, Victor was offered a position as Director of Administration, Budget and Finance with the office of

the Governor of Puerto Rico in Washington, DC. During his tenure as a Director of Administration, Budget and Finance, Victor met Patricia, who went to become his surviving wife of 17 years. In addition, he is survived by his children, Victor II, Debbie, Kelvin, Thomas; by his stepchildren, Lizawe and Alberto; by his sister, Nilda; his grandchildren, Christopher, Kalin, Victor III, Mason, Grady, Gabriela, Sebastian; and his great-grand daughters Cadence and Melody.

Contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association www.diabetes.org

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR **23**. 4:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Jefferson Funeral Chapel
5755 Castlewellan Drive
Alexandria, VA 22315
(703) 971-7400
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Service

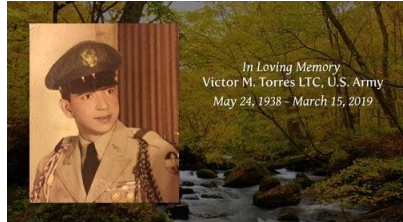
AUG **29**. 8:45 AM (ET)

Fort Myer Old Post Chapel
204 Lee Ave
Fort Myer, VA 22211

Tribute Wall



“ Jefferson Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of LTC USA Victor M. Torres



Jefferson Funeral Chapel - March 22, 2019 at 05:07 PM



“ Victor was a kind and extraordinary human being. He was a good friend and mentor to me, and for that I am truly grateful. Victor loved his family, Puerto Rico, and the United States Army. Maria and I pray for his family and ask the Lord to look over them. Very respectfully, Nestor & Maria Ramirez

COL. Nestor D. Ramirez USA (Ret.) - June 27, 2024 at 12:16 PM



“ LTC USA Victor M. Torres

October 27, 2022 at 09:45 PM



“ A New Sunrise Spray was purchased for the family of LTC USA Victor M. Torres.



March 23, 2019 at 11:39 AM

SS

“ On behalf of the Furlan family, our heartfelt and deepest sympathies to your family. May our prayers help comfort you as you mourn the loss and his soul rest in eternal peace.

Sally Suarez - March 22, 2019 at 06:02 PM

TF

“ The Dawes Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of LTC USA Victor M. Torres.



The Dawes Family - March 22, 2019 at 12:51 PM

RH

“ 2 files added to the album Memories Album



Ron Hilbig - March 22, 2019 at 09:21 AM

RC

“ Victor was a kind and courteous man who cherished his coworkers and friends and went out of his way to help them. My deepest condolences to his family and friends.

Richard Coorsh - March 22, 2019 at 02:59 AM

RH

“ 2 files added to the album Memories Album



Ron Hilbig - March 21, 2019 at 03:24 PM

FH

“ Familia HNAB purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of LTC USA Victor M. Torres.



Familia HNAB - March 21, 2019 at 02:34 PM

OL

“ Para toda la familia, esposa e hijos vayan nuestras condolencias en este duro momento. Deseamos que el tiempo ayude a asimilar esta pérdida y que llegue la paz y la resignación al corazón.

Oswaldo León - March 21, 2019 at 09:56 AM

SA

“ May you RIP Uncle Victor. You will always be admired and loved ❤️
🙏
Your niece and family.

sandra - March 20, 2019 at 07:16 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of LTC USA Victor M. Torres.



March 20, 2019 at 04:44 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of LTC USA Victor M. Torres.



March 20, 2019 at 03:15 PM



“ 3 files added to the album Torres-Medina family



oPatricia Torres-Alvarad - March 20, 2019 at 02:18 PM



“ Theresa J. purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of LTC USA Victor M. Torres.



Theresa J. - March 20, 2019 at 12:42 PM

PT

“ 22 files added to the album Victor y Patricia



Patricia Torres-Alvarado - March 19, 2019 at 11:08 PM

PC

“ Pedro and Maria Capestany purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of LTC USA Victor M. Torres.



Pedro and Maria Capestany - March 19, 2019 at 04:28 PM



“ Rainbow Reflections Basket was purchased for the family of LTC USA Victor M. Torres.



March 19, 2019 at 03:24 PM

TT

“ *Thilda Torres lit a candle in memory of LTC USA Victor M. Torres*



Thilda Torres - March 18, 2019 at 09:44 PM

TT

My condolences to the family. I have a great memory of my uncle when he came to see me when I was stationed at Ft Lee, VA. That really made my day when I saw my uncle. You will truly be missed.

Thilda Torres - March 18, 2019 at 09:49 PM

BS

We are so very sorry to hear of the passing of Victor. Our prayers are with your wonderful family at this time. He was a wonderful neighbor and sweet man.

Barb Scheeler - March 19, 2019 at 06:26 PM

SC

Nuestras condolencias a la GRAN FAMILIA DE VICTOR ! Gran hombre, excelente compaero, amigo, padre, esposo, abuelo, ciudadanos..... QPD

SILVANA COSTANTINO - March 20, 2019 at 02:47 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



Jefferson Funeral Chapel - March 18, 2019 at 03:25 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of LTC USA Victor M. Torres.*



March 18, 2019 at 09:31 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of LTC USA Victor M. Torres.*



March 17, 2019 at 04:58 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of LTC USA Victor M. Torres.*



March 17, 2019 at 02:44 PM

RH

“ 5 files added to the album Memories Album



Ron Hilbig - March 17, 2019 at 02:17 PM

TL

My deepest condolences to his wife Patricia Torres Alvarado, and to his loving family may God give them the strength to overcome their loss and give them peace.

teresa Looez - March 22, 2019 at 10:25 PM