



## Tomas Arroyo-Rivera

December 31, 1969 - December 7, 2011

Obituary of Tomas Arroyo-Rivera Tomas Arroyo-Rivera, of Ocala, passed away December 7, 2011. He was born in Utuado, Puerto Rico, to the now deceased Alejandrino Arroyo and Aurora Rivera, and came to this area in 1982. Mr. Arroyo-Rivera was a retired US Army Master Sergeant and served in both the Korean and Vietnam Wars and served in the US Military Group in Costa Rica. He received an Associate in Science degree in Hotel and Restaurant Management from Valencia Community College in Orlando. He also received a Bachelor of Science degree in Hotel and Restaurant Management from Florida International University in Miami. He continued his working career with the State of Florida, Department of Labor, Pan American World Airways in San Juan, Puerto Rico, Chase Manhattan Bank in San Juan, Puerto Rico and for the Honorable Maria Libertad Gomez - secretary to member of the House of Representatives in San Juan, Puerto Rico. He is survived by his wife, Dora Arroyo; daughters, Sonia Cornell and Rosa Arroyo both of Ocala, Daphne Mirk and her husband Eric of Tampa, FL and Milagros Moreno and her husband Roberto of Clermont, FL; son, Tomas Rafael Arroyo of Kissimmee, FL; grandchildren, Rebecca Cornell, Nicholas Cornell, Olivia Mirk, Yariz Aleman, Roberto Aleman, Tomas R. Arroyo, Angeline Arroyo, Brandon Arroyo and Luca Arroyo-Frye; great grandson, Armando Caceres. A Funeral Mass will be held at Our Lady of the Springs Catholic Church (4047 NE 21st St., Ocala) on Monday (Dec. 12th) at 11AM. Interment with military honors will follow at Florida National Cemetery at 1:30pm. In lieu of flowers the family

requests that memorial contributions be made to Hospice of Marion County, Legacy House PO Box 4860 Ocala, FL 34478. The family would like to offer a special thank you to Dr. Ravindra Kolventy and Dr. Rakesh Rohatgi.

Arrangements by ROBERTS FUNERAL HOMES, Bruce Chapel East (2739 SE Maricamp Rd., Ocala 732-9944)

# Tribute Wall



“ *Tomas Arroyo-Rivera*

June 20, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Missing you each and every day.*

**Rosa** - December 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *I can't believe almost one year has passed. You are in my thoughts everyday. We all miss you dad! One day we will see you again.*

**Daphne Mirk** - December 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dad, It's been 1 month since you passed away. Today is Olivia's 2nd birthday and although we are very sad you are no longer with us, we could still feel your presence. Thank you for the Angel statue you picked out for Olivia before you passed away. I am so happy she had one more gift from you that she can cherish for the rest of her life. Love you and miss you so much!!*

**Daphne Mirk** - January 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Daphne and Family, I am so sorry for your loss. I hope that you can find comfort in all the loving memories you have shared. You are in my thoughts and prayers.*

**Laura Freeman** - December 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ I am sorry to hear of the loss of your loved one. My prayers are with you and your family at this time. God Bless.

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**Joanne Hagley** - December 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AV

“ Rosa- I am so sorry for your loss. You and your family will be in my thoughts.

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**Amanda Vanjaria** - December 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AR

“ Rest in Peace! Hope you and Tomás meet in heaven and have a glass of whiskey and share a lot of stories!

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**Amrafel Rodriguez Romero** - December 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RA

“ To my lovely uncle Tomas. you was my inspiration person in my life .We were together at Harmony Church Camp US Army Training Center at Georgia USA in 1959 me as a private soldier and you as a Master Sargent. From there I start to my professional life where I conquer a Federal position as Postmaster of our home town of Utuado, Puerto Rico. I feel deeply sorrow and discomfort for not visiting you when you needed me in a timely manner. The destiny in our families are a mystery. My brother Tomas Rodriguez Arroyo, your nephew, die on November 23 and his burial are for this Saturday December 15 at the Caonillas Lake at our home town of Utuado P R. Uncle Tomas, please pardon me once again and rest in peace with our Lord and San Miguel Arcangel,our Patron Angel that always we talked about it. I LOVE YOU FOREVER AND EVER!!!!!! Your nephew, Rafael Rodriguez Arroyo

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**Rafael Rodriguez Arroyo** - December 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TO

“ Dad, I miss you. Growing up with you in the Army was the greatest adventure and lesson a boy could have. Thank you for teaching me the values of hard work, honest work, and self responsibility. I could write all day but this will suffice for now. Thank you DAD for loving me.

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**TOMAS** - December 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Rosa - Please accept our condolences on the loss of your father. Know that you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers Jay & Sheri Carroll

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**Jay Carroll** - December 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ Rosa, I am so sorry for you and your family's loss. You are so important to me and I hate to think of the pain you are feeling. My prayers are with you.

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**Kristina Stack** - December 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CA

“ Daphne, You and your family are all in my thoughts and prayers. Always remember the good times that you all shared.

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**Cindy Albert** - December 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

GR

“ Dorita, Rosa, Daphne, Sonia my prayers are always with all of you. I remember all the times we spent together, as a teenager the wisdom shared by Uncle Tom served me as a guide to live my own life, his own experience served me as a role model for the years to come. God bless his soul.

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**George Romero** - December 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SG

“ Rosa, my deepest sympathies for the loss of your beloved father. You and your family are all in my thoughts and prayers. I hope that soon you will find comfort and joy in the wonderful memories you hold in your hearts.

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**Sheila Grossman** - December 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ I am so sorry and know you are in my thoughts. It has been a long time but you know I love you... Gagu and my heart is with you...

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**Linda Barber** - December 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ Dear Arroyo family, There's little we can do or say right now. Please know that our hearts and thoughts are with you in your time of sorrow.

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**Lisa mcclamrock** - December 08, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ The staff of Roberts Funeral Homes and I would like to offer our condolences to your entire family during this difficult time.

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**Michael J. Csuka** - December 08, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ Words cannot express how sad I am that you are no longer with us. I can take comfort that I was able to be there during your final moments. Thank you dad for giving me life, for loving me, and for always being there for me. You will be forever missed! I love you!

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**Daphne Mirk** - December 08, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ My heart goes out to the entire family. I am sorry for your loss. I will keep you all in my thoughts during this difficult time. May peace be with you.

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**Rosetta Hall** - December 08, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ My thoughts and prayers are with all the family members. May they find comfort in your passing by know you lead a good life and loved them all and may you always rest in peace.

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**Calvin McCoy** - December 08, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RW

“ Sonia I am so sorry for you and your families loss. Rest assured though God will take good care of your dad. And once he gets settled in, he too will be watching over ya'll too. My prayers and thoughts are with you. God bless Richard

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**Richard Willis** - December 08, 2011 at 12:00 AM

NC

“ It really hurts to think that you are gone from my life, though you fought it off for so long. You always looked out for me in my lowest and highest of times. You always knew what direction to point me in and where it would lead. You just wanted the best for me and now its time for me to show you that I will use your guidance in every aspect of my life. In my mind, you left us (the family) physically... but I feel as if you will always be in my presence. Behind me to give me that budge I'll need here and again, and next to me to help me face future challenges. All in all, you saw the greatness in me and it will never be forgotten. I love you, Grandpa.

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**Nicholas Cornell** - December 08, 2011 at 12:00 AM

EM

“ *Your presence on this Earth has forever changed this world for the better. Thank you for the kindness you showed me during the time I was blessed to know you. From the very beginning you accepted me as a part of your family and for that, I am grateful beyond description. I will miss so many things about you and perhaps I will miss our conversations most of all. Whenever we spoke, you never missed a chance to leave me with a piece of your wisdom. I will never forget you.*

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**Eric Mirk** - December 08, 2011 at 12:00 AM