



Santiago Garcia

August 23, 1947 - September 14, 2012

Santiago (Jim) Garcia, Jr. unexpectedly passed away at home in Chino Valley on September 14, 2012. Jim was born August 23, 1947, in Prescott, AZ, to Santiago and Soila Garcia, who predeceased him. He is survived by his wife of 40 years, Jane Blair Garcia and his 4 sisters and their families: Lucie Garcia and Stella (Lyle) Gilson of Chino Valley; Leonor Nelson of Cottonwood; and Carmen (Richard) Daum of Phoenix. His family was a source of great pride. Jim always felt fortunate to have met many people during his life who became lifelong friends and whom he considered extended family members. Jim graduated from Prescott High School in 1966 and Yavapai College in 1977. After graduating from high school, he served in the US Air Force from, mostly in Thailand, during the Viet Nam Conflict. After being honorably discharged in 1970, Jim returned to Prescott and began his career in the telephone industry, first working for Western Electric and finally with Century Link. His job entailed extensive travel throughout northern Arizona as a radio technician and any day might find him driving to the top of Mormon Mountain in the morning and ending his day on one of the many ranches that use radio telephone technology as their means of communication. On his greatest day, he would be flown by helicopter into the Grand Canyon and hike to one of the various communication sites to ensure uninterrupted service for Park Service and visitors alike. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Jim's name to The Fisher House Foundation, 11 Rockville Pike, Suite 420, Rockville, MD 20850. This non-profit organization provides a "home away from home" for

military families to be close to loved ones during hospitalization for an injury, illness, or disease. Services will be held at the Prescott National Cemetery, 500 Highway 89 North in Prescott on Friday, September 21, at 10:00 am. Following the service, a gathering with friends and family will be held at the Heritage Park Hilltop Ramada, 1479 Heritage Park Rd, Prescott.

Tribute Wall

LJ

“ *Janie, I do not even know why I am writing; I have no words, I am stunned; but I wanted to reach out to you...I know you know what is in my heart.*

Star Love,Linda & Henry Desenberg

Linda Justice-Desenberg - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ *Jane,*

You are in my thoughts and prayers. God must have a plan, even when we don't understand.

Sue

Sue Peterson - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ *Jane,*

Without dwelling on the obvious, I have great memories of a group of guys, of which Jim was one, that was energetic, adventurous, and sometimes just a bit crazy in the early 70's. Jim was always one for a good time, a laugh , and a beer. I'm saddened at his passing.

Ray Hopf - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PD

“ Jane,
Oh many prayers for you and your family. We were soooo lucky to be able to all meet up with Jim and you in Memphis. Lots of pictures, lots of laughs, and lots of happiness. Showed the true meaning of family!
Again, many prayers,
Noreen and Paul

Paul and Noreen Diaz - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TE

“ Jane,
Such sad and unexpected news. He and his smile will be missed. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

I remember his fixing and driving our Rainbow bus so many times. Especially to Disneyland at Thanksgiving. Such a wonderful memory.

Love,
TJ & Rich

Terry and Rich Elkins - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ Sorry we cannot be with you Friday
Just know we send our thoughts and prayers. In Star friendship,
Jack and Lou Ann Pate

Jack and Lou Ann Pate - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

NH

“ Dear Jane,
Sincere condolences and prayers.
Please remember, as "Annie" says:
"The sun'll come out Tomorrow
Bet your bottom dollar
That tomorrow There'll be sun!
Just thinkin' about Tomorrow
Clears away the cobwebs,
And the SORROW 'Til there's none!
When I'm stuck with a day
That's gray, And LONELY,
I just stick out my chin
And Grin, And Say, Oh!
The sun'll come out Tomorrow
So ya gotta hang on 'Til tomorrow
Come what may Tomorrow! Tomorrow!
I love ya Tomorrow!
You're always A day A way!"

Nancy Hughes - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LJ

“ Santiago Garcia

Lois J.Davis - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CN

“ So sorry to hear of the sudden passing of Jim. We last saw at our Class Reunion. Jim and I will always remember his quick smile and unlimited energy. We have lots of memories of hanging around the Dairy Queen and talking about fast cars. You and your family will be in our paryers.

Charlotte and Jim Newton - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ Dear Jane- My love and friendship to you at this difficult time in your life. You are a very special lady and I wish for you solace as you take each day at a time, I know your memories will be there always to sustain you. Star love and angel hugs, Linda

Linda Bernhard - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GE

“ Jane and Family,

Our deepest sympathy to you and the entire family for your loss. No one knows how you feel we can only say how sad we are for your loss.

Words are only words, but know that you are in our prayers and thoughts today and always.

In Amaranth and Eastern Star Love,

Ginger Enloe, LeEtte Alexander, Alberta Davis and Ruth Davis

Ginger Enloe - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

HV

“ Jane,

We are so sorry for your loss. Jim played baseball on my dad's team as a young man. My mom worked at the telephone company from the 1940' through 1982. She alway said "The guys who worked there were really great guys". I grew up with Jerry Hopf's son Joe. Jim's skill and ability as told to me by his co-workers were amazing. He saw a lot of changes over the years. We understand that you have so much going on right now. When you find some time later on we would really like to visit with you and share stories. Our prayers and wanting to help in anyway are with you.

Hugh and Julie Vallely

Hugh and Julie Vallely - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ Dear Jane,

My heart breaks for you and my thoughts and prayers are with you and Jim's family. Know that I am here for you and your sisters and brothers in Star are as well. You are very much loved!

Donna Harrison - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DT

“ *A fine man I enjoyed working with very much. The last trip was to the North Rim. We talked about our past experience in the Air Force and Vietnam. Thanks Jim. I will miss you.*

Don Thrall - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

ND

“ Dear Sister Jane,

*You are in our thoughts and prayers
at this most difficult time and we
love you.*

Nelda & Ronnie Dollgener - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ Jane, you are in my thoughts and prayers.
Sheryl White

Sheryl White - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ Dearest Jane,
Please know that my prayers, along with thousands of others are
with you today and the years ahead. You are a very special and
strong lady and with God's help you will grow even stronger.
He will always be with you, "You will never walk alone."
In Stsr love,
Barbara

Barbara J. Warren, P.G.M. - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

J(

“ I will never forget Jim's laugh he was
a wonderful person and friend. We can loose touch here as out lives
change, but our friendships will be with us here and after we leave
this earth. May God comfort you Jane and all of Jim's family. Janet

Janet Siegfried (Westbrook) - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ We will never forget that smile in the halls of PHS.
Jane you are in our thoughts and prayers.

Steve & Teresa Reeser - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ Jane, we are so sorry for your loss-you two were a great couple. We hope all those happy memories bring you comfort.

Arthur & Karla Morrison - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Jane, our deepest condolences to you and your family. Sending you love and prayers from Texas~ Steven, Mary & Morgan.

Mary Babbini-Haase - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Jimmy, I will miss you so much. We have been friends since we were 16 and were members of the Honda Club of Prescott. We went our separate ways after high school but still stayed in touch over the years. I am so grateful for all the wonderful memories we shared. You and Jane came to our wedding here in Flagstaff, and you came to my dad's 85th birthday party. Vic and I were looking forward to spending more time with you and Jane in our "golden years" and so regret your passing so young.

Jessie McCart - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PJ

“ May Good Memories fill your heart and help heal your grief. May God's Grace and Love bring peace to you all.

Paul and Mary Jackson - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SG

“ *Gar, I'm going to miss you.*

Stewart Geith - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ *Gar, you were a good friend, taught me a lot and always had my back. We had some great travels together, and great times, and I'm going to miss you.*

Shane Rice - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AJ

“ *Jane may the peace which comes from the memories of love you and Jim shared, comfort you now and in the days ahead. It was always fun visiting with you and Jim at the high school reunions and whenever our paths crossed around town. We are truly saddened.*

Ann and Randy Johnson - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ *My main Man JIM I miss you already. We spent work company time together off and on for 20 years. Contracts and all. I was so shocked when I heard. I just knew it was the wrong Jim. I know you have gone head of us, say a good word to the Big Man for us. We'll go fishing when I get there. Thanks for the Snow Cat ride up MtEldon.*

David (Dave) Byrket - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ Dearest Jane, My deepest sympathy for you and your family at this difficult time. Jim was a special guy and I know he will be greatly missed. Please know that you are in the thoughts and prayers of all those that know and love you.

*In Star Love,
Linda*

Linda Beck - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ I know no words will take away what you are feeling. My prayers are that His arms are holding you and filling you with his Spirit. He is with our Lord and looking down upon you each day. May we there to give any support we can give, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Laura Hinson - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ We were so sorry to hear about the passing of Jim. What a wonderful person he was. Sincere condolences go to Jane and the family. God Bless.

Melody Buckley - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

VB

“ I have worked with Jim over the last 15 years and is surely missed. Jane, I loved hearing about his adventures in the Grand Canyon and other radio sites. I loved hearing about his fishing trips and the trips you and he take. I also enjoyed all the photographs he would bring to share. Jane, I hope you find comfort in the fact that Jim was one great person and fun loving person. I will surely miss him.

Vivian Bishop - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

VH

“ *Jim was always busy but never hesitated to stop and help or give advice. I enjoyed his company and the stories he told about his life. I will miss him.*

*Sincerely
Vern*

Ver Harvey - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ *Dear Jane,
We are very sorry to learn of Jim's passing. I always enjoyed seeing both of you when we passed through Chino. I hope to see you sometime later at an OES meeting and I can talk to you. I hope to get out of the nursing home around the first of the year. Until then, our love, thoughts and prayers are with you.
Jeff*

Jeff Grayson - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ *Our prayers are with you at this very trying time.*

Don Beaton & Jean Stump - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ *Jim, I can envision you as a happy man again enjoying IT as I have seen you do so before.*

Scott - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AL

“ Hi Jane,
I am so sorry for your loss. I loved Jim. He always had a smile and hug! I will not be able to attend the service tomorrow, but please keep in mind that you are on my mind. My prayers are with you and your family. You guys were there for me when I needed you, and I am here for you.
I love you very much!!!

Allyene - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SE

“ So sorry for your lose, Jane. You and your family are in my prayers.

Shirley Elliston - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

E#

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you at the most difficult time.

You have the support of ALL your sisters and brothers in OES.

Electa Chapter #51 - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ Jim was the greatest friend and mentor I have ever had! He made me laugh and made me a better person at the same time. Although our paths have not crossed in awhile, they will cross again in the future. Jane and family...our thoughts are with you all at this time!
Mike

Mike Palmer - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PL

“ You will always be remembered & the good times; parachuting parties, chile roasting, the many over-nights, steak fries and my favorite...cutting grass. You are missed and loved dear friend.
PETER{:>

Peter LaLoggia - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ We are so very sorry to hear of Jim's passing. Jim worked on our phone at the ranch for many years, it gave him fits at times, however he was always there for us when we needed him. Day or night; good weather or bad with a smile and "we'll get it fixed one way or the other". We will miss him. Please know that our thoughts are with his family at this sad time.

Cheri & Dan Martin - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ We are so sorry. Love and Prayers

Josephine and Bill KozacekWe - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DN

“ Jim was kind, loving and a good friend. He will be greatly missed.

Donna Norris - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ Beyond the knowing of those who grieve, the soul makes a safe passage to a new and brighter life. Though no words could ease the pain of losing Jim, may you find comfort and peace knowing his journey to a better place has just begun. With Profound Sympathy and in Star Love, Lois Griffin

Lois Griffin - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

FW

“ Sorry to hear about Jim's passing. We really enjoyed our friendship and the camping trip that we experienced with y'all. God Bless.
Frank & Marilyn

Frank & Marilyn Whitt - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ Not just a friend but always a friend you could depend on!

LEONARD BELLGARDT - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ *Jane and Garcia Family~*
We are so sorry for everyone's loss. We were blessed to have Jane and Jim attend our wedding last March and that means so much to us.
We will miss Jim everyday and our thoughts and prayers are with you.
With all our love,
Madison and Lisa

Madison and Lisa Blair - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

HW

“ *Jim was a wonderful guy to work with. He will be greatly missed. I always considered him to be a good friend and find it hard to believe that he is no longer with us.*

Howard & Evelyn Wilson - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SO

“ Jane, I am so sorry for your loss. Only met your husband one time but was told you were both very happy together. Take care and know I still think of you fondly.

Susan

Susan (Felter) Oberwortmann - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

WG

“ Dear Jane,
Wish I could be there.
Love and Prayers,
Wilma

Wilma Gibson-Jones - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ Dearest Jane, I am so sorry for your loss of Jim. He was so warm and had the greatest smile. I pray the Lord's comfort and blessing on you and your family as you walk through this difficult time. Love you lots, Shirley

Shirley Rees-McGee - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ What a special person Jim was. A prince of a man that was friends with all.
Our heart goes out to you Jane for your loss.
May God help you and family through the coming days and years.
In Star Love and we are thinking of you.
Jimmey and Leona Watson

Jim & Leona Watson - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ Jim will be missed by all that knew him. I enjoyed working with him before I retired. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Coy & Brenda Smith - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LA

“ Since returning to Prescott after 46 years, a smile quickly comes to my face remembering the fun times I had with Jim as we became fast friends early in high school. I am so sad to not see him one more time and my sincere thoughts and condolences are with Janie (who kindly introduced herself to me) and the family. Jim, I remember your VW Bug, Air Force talk, trying to pass Biology class, and paling-around with you on weekends. You are well-remembered!

Len Alger - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ Dear Jane,
I am at a loss for how you must feel losing Jim so unexpectedly. Your forty years together as husband and wife are a wonderful example of what marriage should be.

As one of your former classmates at Prescott High, and a former Rainbow Girl, your work with Eastern Star will hopefully give you some strength and guidance to get through the rough times.

You are being thought of with genuine sympathy and condolences.

Rebecca Mayo - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ May God Bless and Keep you in this most Tragic time. My prayers will include you now dear Jane.

Sandra Busch-Gardner - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ Jane, so very sorry to hear this news. You are in our thoughts and prayers. ^L

Don & Mary Drentlaw - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ I worked with Jim for a few years and always enjoyed his company. I was able to talk to him shortly before he left us and I am so glad I was able to have a few good conversations with him after being out of touch for quite a few years.
I appreciate having had him for a friend.
My condolences to the family.

Allison Browning - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

FM

“ Jane I was so sorry to hear about Jim. Thinking of you .

Faye McLeod - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ What memories from back in the 70's!! Jim, you were a great guy and even though we haven't kept in touch for years, I have thought about you and Jane many times. Rest in peace, my friend. With love, Bobbie

Bobbie (Mongini) Peterson - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ *Dear Jane,
We only got the information about your loss of Jim today. We just want to express our deepest sympathy and let you know we will be keeping you in prayer as you go through your grief and life adjustment.*

We didn't know Jim well, but I do remember your wedding and standing with you as a witness. So glad you and Jim had 40 happy years together. We knew him to be pleasant and friendly and are sad about his passing. We never know when it will be our time.

We will send a gift to Fisher House in his memory.

*We know he was loved and will be missed by all.
Take care of yourself.*

*Love,
Mary Lou and Jan*

Mary Lou and Jan Hattala - September 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM