



## Gilbert Pete Maestas

October 6, 1938 - September 7, 2014

1938-2014

Gilbert Pete Maestas, age 75, a resident of Los Lunas, New Mexico passed away on Sunday, September 7, 2014 surrounded by his loving family in his home. He was a member of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church and Sangre de Cristo Catholic Church. He was born in El Rito, New Mexico to the late Pete and Elena Vigil Maestas. Gilbert proudly served in the United States Army as an Airborne Paratrooper for the 101st division. He retired from Thomas and Betts after many years of outstanding service. Gilbert enjoyed the outdoors and was an avid hunter, fisherman and gardener. He was preceded in death by his parents; son, Leo Pete; granddaughter, Patsy Elena; brother, George; father and mother-in-law, Romolo Sr. and Patsy Montoya; brother-in-law, Leo Montoya; and sister-in-law, Louisa Stephenson. Gilbert is survived by his loving wife of 50 years, Adela Montoya Maestas; one son, Gilbert Jr.; twin daughters, Helen Cole and Gail Maestas; two granddaughters, Marinda Cole and Brianna Maestas; two brothers, Rudy and wife, Dorain and Eddie and wife, Connie; sisters-in-law, Josie Chavez, Cecilia Montoya and Betty Maestas; brothers-in-law, Romolo Montoya Jr., Willie and wife, Kathy, Patrick and wife, Rita, Matthew and wife, Kat; Lawrence and wife, Cindy, Ernest, Alfred and wife, Linda. He is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews. All services will be held at the Sangre de Cristo Catholic Church on Friday, September 12th beginning with a Viewing at 10:30 a.m. with a Rosary to be recited at 11:30 a.m. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 12:00 p.m.

Interment will be held at the Santa Fe National Cemetery with full military honors on Monday, September 15th at 2:15 p.m. Pallbearers will be Antonio Maestas, Rocky Chavez, Gregory Montoya, Zack Stephenson, Lawrence Montoya Jr. and Andy Montoya. The family would like to give a special thank you to the staff at Heartland Hospice for the great care and support. Sign Gilbert's online tribute at [www.romerofuneralhomenm.com](http://www.romerofuneralhomenm.com) Romero Funeral Home, 609 N. Main Street, Belen, NM

# Cemetery Details

## Santa Fe National Cemetery

501 N. Guadalupe Street  
Santa Fe, NM 87501

# Previous Events

## Viewing

SEP 12. 10:30 AM (MT)

Sangre de Cristo  
3466 HWY 47  
Los Lunas, NM 87031

## Rosary

SEP 12. 11:30 AM (MT)

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## Funeral Mass

SEP 12. 12:00 PM (MT)

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# Tribute Wall

SM

“ My name is Sammy Martinez and Gilbert was a classmate of mine at El Rito Normal as it was called when we attended. Gilbert & I played football together in 1955. I met up with Gilbert & his family when my wife & I moved to Los Lunas in 1992. We always shared high school football stories whenever we met. We will miss him at church. Adela & daughters Helen & Gail our condolences & may God bless you and be with always at this difficult time

Sammy Martinez - September 15, 2014 at 05:51 PM

PS

“ God Bless the Maestas Family in this time of sorrow. Always know that Gilbert is still with you and will be there when you join him. Love Patricia and Craig Schooley

Patricia Schooley - September 11, 2014 at 09:28 PM

JU

“ Jermaine And Kevin Ulibarri lit a candle in memory of Gilbert Pete Maestas



Jermaine and Kevin Ulibarri - September 10, 2014 at 06:16 PM

PC

“ Adela, My most sincerest condolences to you and your family during the loss of a husband, father and grandfather. May the grace of God comfort you always. Patsy Carrasco.

Patsy Carrasco - September 10, 2014 at 10:57 AM

AJ

“ Heartfelt thoughts and prayers to all the Maestas family! May God bless, comfort and give you peace during this painful season in your lives. Always, Annalee Jaramillo-Kuidis



annalee jaramillo-kuidis - September 10, 2014 at 09:17 AM



“ Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Gilbert Pete Maestas.



September 10, 2014 at 09:15 AM

LM

“ Aunt ADELA and Helen Gail n Gilbert..Me and my kids Angel jr. his wife Raquel n my grandkids Daymion n Baylee also. My daughter Amanda, Julia and my son Anthony..all send our condolences...wish I could be there...i know i will miss him..although i do remember the times he made me laugh....a funny man..im just sorry i didnt come out more over the years ..my thoughts and prayers are with you all...I miss and love you all!!! Btw great obituary...love Leonora Montoya and Family



Leonora Montoya - September 10, 2014 at 02:51 AM

EG

“ *Adela, Gilbert, Jr. and girls - Gilbert was a very kind and pleasant man. I am very sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this very sad time. I will see you soon.*

*Elizabeth (Liz) Cordova Gallegos*

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**Elizabeth (Liz) Cordova Gallegos** - September 10, 2014 at 12:11 AM

DA

“ *Dear cousin and family,  
Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Sincerest condolences.  
Maybe my Charlie will meet Gilbert in Heaven. God bless you all,  
Diana and Family*

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**Diana Artiaga** - September 09, 2014 at 11:18 PM

SS

“ *To the Maestas family. You are one in a million. You ALL give your hearts to anyone at any time. Though you knew your time with Gilbert was limited, you took full advantage of each day you had with him. He will cherish those moments and remember them until he meets you all again. Please keep his memory alive as he is going to be hard to forget. Know that he had one of the best families he could've ever asked for. Our hearts are broken, but the Lord, our Savior, is rejoicing now that he has him back in his Kingdom of Glory. Our prayers are with each of you during this tender time. We love you, Tad, Sue and Kimberly.*



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**Susanne Stephenson** - September 09, 2014 at 10:06 PM

PJ

“ I would like to send my deepest condolences to the Maestas Family. My heart aches for y'all and Know that y'all are in my thoughts and prayers..

*Love the Jamieson's  
Paula, Chris, Taylor & Leah*

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**paula jamieson** - September 09, 2014 at 09:33 PM

JF

“ *Deepest condolences to your family. We have all had to deal with so much sadness lately. I pray that God blesses you with comfort and strength. Your dad was a wonderful and sweet man. Your family will keep his memory alive in all the great memories that you hold in your hearts.*

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**Jennifer and Joseph Otero and family** - September 09, 2014 at 08:26 PM