



## James D. Miller

June 23, 1929 - January 2, 2018

1929-2018

James Donald Miller, age 88, a resident of Belen, New Mexico, passed away surrounded by his loving family at home on Tuesday, January 2, 2018. He was born in Buffalo, Oklahoma on June 23, 1929 to Ralph and Opel Miller. The family later moved to Alva, Oklahoma. James was a Korean War Veteran, inducted May 1951 and serving until April 1953. He was highly decorated soldier. James was a member of Fraternal Order of Eagles, The American Legion and Veterans of Foreign War. He retired after 30 years of service to the government. James owned and operated the first Kirby Vacuum business in Belen for many years. He enjoyed fishing, having backyard barbeques with his family and playing pool with his buddies. James especially liked going to the casinos and having a good time. He is preceded in death by his parents, Ralph and Opel Miller; his daughter Amanda Miller; his sister, Josie Foster and husband, Wayne; and a longtime family friend, Elaine Whitaker. James is survived by his loving wife of 63 years, Petrita (Betty) Miller; his daughter, Terriean Silva and husband, Anthony, of Belen, New Mexico; his son, Donald L. Miller and wife, Georgia, of Portales, New Mexico; his brother, Leonard H. Miller and wife, Shelly, of Georgia; his sister, Helen Strain and husband, Earl, of Oklahoma; and his loving grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews. All services will be held on Tuesday, January 9, 2018 at Romero Funeral Home Chapel. There will be a Public Viewing at 10:00 a.m. with a Funeral Service to begin at 11:00 a.m. Interment will take place at Our Lady of

Belen Memorial Gardens. Pallbearers will be Donald L. Miller II, James Romero, William Romero, Andrea Silva, Anthony Silva, Tommy Martinez, Johnny Perea, Antonio Ortiz, Stephen Paynter, Michael Milton and Francisco Sifuentes. The family of James Miller would like to thank the staff at Alliance Home Health Care for their loving support. Please sign James's online tribute at [www.romerofuneralhomenm.com](http://www.romerofuneralhomenm.com) Romero Funeral Home, 609 N. Main St. Belen, NM.

# Cemetery Details

## Our Lady of Belen Memorial Gardens

101 N. 10th Street  
Belen, NM 87002

# Previous Events

## Viewing

JAN 9. 10:00 AM (MT)

Romero Funeral Home Chapel  
609 N. Main St.  
Belen, NM 87002  
(505) 864-8501  
romerofuneralhome@comcast.net  
<https://www.romerofuneralhomenm.com>

## Funeral Service

JAN 9. 11:00 AM (MT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of James D. Miller.*



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January 06, 2018 at 12:52 PM



“ *Betty & Family,*

*Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.*

*Stan & MaryAnn Rich  
(Jason D Miller's Mom)*

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**MaryAnn Rich** - January 05, 2018 at 03:27 PM



“ *Dicky And Suzanne Romero lit a candle in memory of James D. Miller*



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**Dicky and Suzanne Romero** - January 03, 2018 at 03:42 PM