



Antonio Diaz Jr.

August 22, 1949 - February 14, 2026

Antonio Diaz, Jr. 76, passed away unexpectedly, but left behind a legacy of strength, wisdom, and unwavering determination. He was born August 22, 1949, in Harlingen, Texas to Antonio and Maria Diaz who preceded him in death. He is also preceded in death by a brother, Frank Diaz and his sister, Petra Diaz.

Antonio was known for his energetic spirit and strong will. A proud Army veteran, he served his country with honor and carried that same sense of duty and resilience throughout his life. As a skilled handyman, there was rarely a problem he couldn't fix or a project he couldn't tackle. His hands built, repaired, and improved the lives of those around him.

He was knowledgeable and generous with what he knew, always willing to share advice, lend a helping hand, or teach someone how to do something the right way. His strength wasn't just physical — it was in his character, his convictions, and his love for his family.

Antonio will be remembered for his determination, work ethic, and the lasting impact he made on everyone who knew him.

He leaves behind to cherish his memory his children, Roger Diaz, Veronica Diaz Nelson, Brandi Butler, Joseph Butler, Christopher Diaz and Michael Diaz; three grandchildren, Fabian Butler, Jeremiah Mosquera and Evan Nelson and

three brothers, Milo Diaz, Joel Diaz and Eloy Diaz.

Visitation will begin Monday, February 23, 2026, at the Rudy Garza Funeral Home from 12:00 PM until 9:00 PM and a prayer service will be held at 8:00 PM. Funeral services will be at the Rudy Garza Funeral Home on Tuesday, February 24, 2026, with a chapel service beginning at 10:30 AM. Graveside services will be held at 1:00 PM at the Rio Grande Valley State Veteran's Cemetery in Mission, Texas under the auspices of the American Legion Post #205.

His presence will be deeply missed but never forgotten.

Cemetery Details

Rio Grande Valley State Veterans Cemetery

2520 South Inspiration Road
Mission, TX 78572
(956) 583-7227

Previous Events

Prayer Service

FEB 23. 8:00 PM (CT)

Rudy Garza Funeral Home - Harlingen
1702 E Harrison Ave
Harlingen, TX 78550
(956) 425-8200
rgfhtx@aol.com
<https://www.rudygarzafunerals.com>

Funeral Service

FEB 24. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Graveside Service

FEB **24**. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ I will always remember him my high school prom date- he was a wonderful unforgettable person- gone too soon 🙏🏻🕊️❤️

Janie (Juanita) - February 24 at 05:31 PM

RS

“ Renna S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Antonio Diaz Jr..

Renna S. - February 23 at 09:40 AM

BF

“ Blackbox Family purchased the Peaceful White Lies Basket for the family of Antonio Diaz Jr..



Blackbox Family - February 21 at 08:25 PM

BF

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Blackbox Family - February 21 at 08:25 PM

BB

“ I am going to miss cooking for you. Seeing the happiness on your face as I would serve your plate. I'm going to miss your gentle, heartfelt hugs, following a soft kiss to my forehead. Me, Momma, My brothers and My sons will miss you oh so dearly Daddy.

Brandi Butler - February 21 at 07:14 PM

LL

“ We love you Uncle Tony. I will always remember the days you spent with us as we grew up. You were a constant in our life back then. Until we meet again, may you rest in peace. You will never be forgotten.



Lisa Diaz Lopez - February 21 at 06:19 PM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Antonio Diaz Jr..



February 20 at 05:47 PM

TG

“ So Sad to hear of your passing you were one of my brothers best friend Sebastian Gonzalez and mine too Tony Gonzalez my condolences to all of the family may god give you all the strength need during this tough times may he Rest in Peace.

Tony Gonzalez - February 20 at 01:55 PM