



1ST BATTALION (MECHANIZED), 50TH INFANTRY

EDUARDO ARISPE



Edwardo Arispe, went to meet our Lord on Saturday, July 12, 2014 after a short illness. Ed was born August 22, 1947 in San Antonio, TX, to Salvador and Pauline Arispe. He grew up on the west side of San Antonio, attending Fox Tech High School, until he joined the [Army](#). He served in the Army until his retirement 22 years later. He received numerous decorations including the Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross (with Palm), the Army Commendation Medal (2 awards), the Army Achievement Medal (3 awards), the National Defense Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign medal, Small Arms Expert Medal.

After his retirement he enjoyed life, especially after meeting his wife, Mildred "Tootsie" Hepworth. Ed and Tootsie complimented each other and had 17 fun filled years together. Ed especially enjoyed his work as "Wero" a professional clown with the Jolly Joeys Clown Alley group. Ed delighted children from all around San Antonio and his only reward was the smiles and laughter of the children. Ed loved to participate in the different parades in the city and delight the crowd with his clown mobile. Ed was predeceased by his parents, Salvador and Pauline Arispe and his brother Richard.

He is survived by his loving wife, Mildred "Tootsie" Hepworth, his daughters Pauline Bosmans (Steve), Darline Dallas (Darcy), his step-children, Linda Bunch, Karen Grady, Marvin Hepworth Jr (Martha), Roger Hepworth (Marie), Barbara Klingbeil (Richard), Walter Hepworth (Julie) and by his loving sisters and brother; Janie Gamez (Gilbert), Carmen Villereal (Paul), Maryann Heiser (Roger), Tony Arispe and Step-sister Jovita Cordova. Ed is also survived by numerous grandchildren, nieces and nephews that loved Ed deeply and will miss his quick laugh and unique sense of humor.

