



Frederick Stephen Garcia Jr.

September 2, 1944 - April 10, 2024

Frederick Stephen Garcia, Jr., age 79 of Toledo, passed away peacefully on April 10, 2024 at Arbors of Sylvania.

He was born to Frederick and Ruth (Gonzalez) Garcia on September 2, 1944. He was a graduate of St. Francis High School, the University of Americas, in Mexico (living there for 10 years) where he earned a Master's Degree and the University of Toledo where he received a second Master's Degree. He served his country proudly in the U.S. Marine Corps during the Vietnam War, he suffered injuries and was awarded 3 Purple Hearts and a Silver Rose. Fred spent his career working as a Bilingual Job Specialist for the Ohio Bureau Employment Services, taught at St. Ursula Academy and he was also an accredited service officer. Fred was a lifetime member of Immaculate Conception Church where he was a Lector and was on the Parish Council. He was a founding member of the Vietnam Veterans of America, Toledo Chapter 35, the American Legion, VFW, D.A.V. and the Catholic War Veterans.

Fred was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Richard (Elaine) Garcia; nephew, Richard A. Garcia and step-daughter, Angela Mansberger-Berry. He is survived by his loving wife, Linda Berry-Garcia; siblings, Alice (Jim) Sutton-Pemberton, Ruth Ann (Terry) Mohler, Raymond (Cheryl), Ronald (Judy Bloomfield) and John (Char) Garcia; grandson, Brian Mansberger, Jr.; 15 nieces and nephews; 19 great-nieces and nephews and 2 great-great-nieces

and nephews.

Friends may visit at the Coyle Funeral Home, 1770 S. Reynolds Rd., on Sunday, April 14th from 2:00-8:00 p.m. where the Marine Corp League will hold a service at 6:00 p.m. and a Rosary will be recited at 7:00 p.m. Funeral Services will be held on Monday, April 15th beginning at 9:15 a.m., in the mortuary, followed by a Funeral Mass at Immaculate Conception Church at 10:00 a.m. Interment will follow at St. Mary's (Assumption) Cemetery, 2639 US Highway 20, Swanton, OH.

The family would like to extend a special thank for the many hours helping with Fred to Larry Widmer (his movie buddy) and Katie Dukeshire. Also, thank you to the staff at Arbors of Sylvania and to Elara Caring Hospice, especially Monique Chatman for their compassionate care.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Immaculate Conception Church, Vietnam Veterans Chapter 35, the Purple Heart or to the Marine Corps League. Please view and sign our online "guest registry" at CoyleFuneralHome.com

Cemetery Details

St. Mary's (Assumption) Cemetery

2639 U.S. Highway 20
Swanton, OH 43558

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 14. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Coyle Funeral Home
1770 S. Reynolds Road
Toledo, OH 43614

Marine Corp League Service

APR 14. 6:00 PM (ET)

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Rosary

APR 14. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Toledo, OH 43614

Funeral Mass

APR 15. 10:00 AM (ET)

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
434 Eastern Ave.
Toledo, OH 43609

Tribute Wall

BM

“ Fred and I graduated together at University of the Americas after his return from service in Vietnam. He was a good friend to myself and my late brother Bob. Although we did not live near we kept in touch off and on over the years. He stayed in service to others throughout his life. Brian Mayne



Brian Mayne - November 15, 2024 at 06:30 PM

DW

“ Fred was in a squadron of Marines in Vietnam where he was one of only 7 of the 36 who survived at all. He was drafted. He had surgery on his hands and face constantly about 3 times a year. I never knew of Fred complaining, but I'm sure it had to go somewhere. Fred was of great service to all vets all his life. He would wish for the best for all of us. Fred was a great American.

Don Wonnell - June 20, 2024 at 08:32 PM

HB

Don, you are so right, I was Fred's Squad Leader for at least 8 or 9 months! He never failed 😞 once of doing what I ask him to do. He was a great Marine.

Harry Brown - September 11, 2024 at 07:19 AM

KC

“ My deepest sympathy, Alice, on the loss of your brother. May he rest in eternal peace and may you and all of his family and loved ones find peace in your cherished memories.

Kathryn Trudeau Coy - April 18, 2024 at 07:15 PM

SL

“ Semper Fi.

Sev Q. Losoya - April 17, 2024 at 05:05 PM

TL

“ Somebody once said that adversity doesn't reveal character. It just confirms it. That was Freddy. I knew him all my life and am proud to call him, my friend.

Tom Lynch - April 17, 2024 at 10:26 AM

JS

Our deepest Condolences to the Garcia family. We all grew up together the Sifuentes Family 🙏 Jose and Martha Sifuentes

Jose Sifuentes - April 24, 2024 at 10:53 PM

MW

“ Fred was a really good guy. We grew up together and had really great times. I have no doubt he is with his parents and other family. Always in my prayers. He is missed. Mike Wrzesinski.

Mike Wrzesinski. - April 14, 2024 at 11:23 PM

DW

“ Linda and all of the family, our prayers are with all of you. What an amazing guy. Blessings and Peace, Deacon Dan & Brenda Waters

Deacon Dan Waters - April 14, 2024 at 08:48 PM

RR

“ I read about the passing of Fred in the Toledo Blade today. I vividly remember Fred as the older brother to Ruth Ann and Alice. He was always kind and friendly. I hope his passing was peaceful and pain free. The family is in my prayers. Rita Roth

Rita Roth - April 14, 2024 at 09:39 AM

CC

“ Cathy and I regret that we are not able to be at the memorials for Fred. We are out of town but will remember him every Sunday and miss him from his pew in Immaculate Conception Church. We send love to Linda and to all those who were touched by his remarkable life.. Bill and Cathy Carroll

Cathy and Bill Carroll - April 14, 2024 at 08:40 AM

TS

Regret that Tom and Sylvia Smith unable to attend due to health reasons. Fred was a great friend to Tom and served with him in Vietnam

thomas and Sylvia Smith - April 14, 2024 at 06:16 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Frederick Stephen Garcia Jr..



April 13, 2024 at 08:33 PM

RW

“ Fred was a good man, a good soldier, and a good friend. I will miss you.

Ralph Wineland

Ralph Wineland - April 13, 2024 at 06:23 PM

CV

“ 2 files added to the album VIDEO TRIBUTE



COYLE FUNERAL HOME VIDEOS - April 13, 2024 at 03:23 PM

MD

“ Mr.Mrs. Christopher Demecs sent a virtual gift in memory of Frederick Stephen Garcia Jr.



Mr.Mrs. Christopher Demecs - April 12, 2024 at 11:50 AM

MB

“ Fred was a great man and very honorable. I'm so glad to have known him the years I have . He will be missed by many . Now may he rest in heaven without pain . You will forever remain in our hearts
❤️

Miranda bryant - April 12, 2024 at 10:57 AM

LL

“ Fred is a true American hero. Everything he gave to America was what a true patriot would give. It was an honor to know him. Rest peacefully Fred you've earned it.

Lori Lau - April 12, 2024 at 10:36 AM

LL

“ Lori L. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Frederick Stephen Garcia Jr..

Lori L. - April 12, 2024 at 10:31 AM

RS

“ Fred a true American Hero. I was there with Fred when VVA 35 started with Mike Flowers on the Eastside of Toledo. He always was a guiding force for making sure everything was done right..Fred a Brother in Service, Blood, and caring. Will miss his smile and sharp mind. Love and Prayers Brother.

Robert E Lee Stewart - April 12, 2024 at 09:21 AM

AV

“ Arturo V. purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Frederick Stephen Garcia Jr..



Arturo V. - April 12, 2024 at 09:11 AM

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AC

“ Fred was like a brother since we shared rides to high school from the South End: he went to St Francis; we went to St Ursula. We kept in touch through the years and loved his Mom's wonderful cakes. He will be missed.
The Gaffney Twins

Annette Gaffney Cawlfild - April 11, 2024 at 06:33 PM

HB

“ Harry & Barbara Brown purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Frederick Stephen Garcia Jr..



Harry & Barbara Brown - April 11, 2024 at 04:25 PM

MI

“ My dear Linda, Fred is finally home and no longer in pain. Keeping you in my prayers. 🙏

Marie Irons - April 11, 2024 at 04:14 PM

HB

“ Fred was fine person & a Good Marine ! Semper Fi , Fred!

Harry Brown - April 11, 2024 at 04:01 PM