



## Robert Mares

May 8, 1940 - October 21, 2025

Robert “Bob” Mares passed away peacefully surrounded by his family on October 21 after a 6-month battle with cancer, he was 85. Bob was born in 1940 the son of Jim and Carol Mares in Dawson, New Mexico. The family moved to California in 1942 when Jim was employed with Pan American Airways Flying on the China Clippers out of Treasure Island. The family settled in Vallejo in 1947. Bob attended McKinley Grammer School, Franklin Jr. High School and Vallejo High School where he graduated in 1958. After graduation, Bob worked at Ventral Acoustics, the family’s business that imported audio equipment and build custom stereo cabinets before joining the Air Force where he trained and worked in Air, Crash, Fire and Rescue and joined the Vallejo Fire Department in 1964. Bob was a dedicated firefighter for 30 years, retiring in 1994 after serving as Engineer of B truck at Station 2 as well as Union President. Bob also worked on his off days and after retirement at his Brother Bill’s jewelry store, DeMares Jewelers. He was a member of Vallejo Host Lions Club.

He is survived by his brother, Bill Mares (wife Janice) and nephew Brian, Sister Myra Dee Meyer and Niece Elizabeth. Cousins Marla Arrambide, John, and Steven Arrambide as well as numerous other cousins in New Mexico. He is preceded in death by his parents Jim and Carol Mares

Very special thanks to Lina Fojas and the staff at C&F Senior Care and Home Now Hospice who took such loving care of him and treated him like family.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, November 4 at 10 AM followed by Funeral Services at 11:00 AM at Twin Chapels Mortuary, Vallejo. Internment to follow at All Soul's Cemetery, Vallejo.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 4. 10:00 AM (PT)

Twin Chapels Mortuary  
1100 Tennessee Street  
Vallejo, CA 94590  
(707) 552-6696  
twinchapels@aol.com

## Funeral Service

NOV 4. 11:00 AM.

Twin Chapels Mortuary

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Condolences to the Mares family. Lydia Ayala and I are grieving deeply. May The Perpetual Light Shine upon him.* ”



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**Josie Ayala Hodson** - October 31, 2025 at 05:51 PM

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*Caring step children Gabrielle Garcia and Landon McDonald send heartfelt condolences for their former stepfather as well. May he be in God's glory.*

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**Josie Ayala Hodson/former sister-in-law** - October 31, 2025 at 10:28 PM