



Donald Calac

November 16, 1926 - October 23, 2016

Don Calac, 89, of Escondido, passed away in Sun City, California on Sunday, October 23, 2016.

A Celebration of Life Memorial will be held at Emmanuel Faith Community Church on Saturday, November 5, 2016 at 10AM. Burial will follow at the Rincon Reservation Cemetery. Arrangements are made by Alhiser-Comer Mortuary.

Don was born in San Jacinto, California to Saturnino and Edna Calac on November 16, 1926. He graduated from Escondido High School in 1944. He married Margie (Babcock) Calac on October 2, 1948. He worked for many years with General Dynamics, the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and for the San Pasquale Indian Reservation. Don was a public accountant and extremely involved with Indian Gaming and politics with THE Rincon Band of Luiseño Indians. He was a veteran and served in World War II in the United States Navy.

Don is preceded in death by his loving wife Margie of 61 years.

Don is survived by his two children, Donald J. Calac and Leanne E. Aguilar, brother Delisle and Lois Calac, granddaughter Stephanie and Jacob Martinez, and great-granddaughter Tatum Margaret.

The Calac family would like to express their sincere thanks to Emmanuel Faith Community Church, Benchmark Care, Alhiser-Comer, and to friends and family members for their prayers and support during this time.

Cemetery

**Rincon Indian Reservation
Cemetery**

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Events

NOV 5 Funeral Service 10:00AM

Emmanuel Faith Community Church
639 E. 17th Ave, Escondido, CA, US,
92025

Comments



“ I was reading an article this morning in the Las Vegas Review Journal, about two cousins named Calac from the Rincon tribe outside Escondido who volunteered in 1917 to enlist in the US Army to fight in World War I. They were in Las Vegas building a railroad when they volunteered. It was an excellent story about bravery and sacrifice and I made sure to point it out to my son who is a 17 year old army recruit who begins basic training in June (2017).

I realized I had met another member of the Calac family in 1981, Don Calac, a Rincon tribal chief who was supervising construction of some tribal homes my father in law was building on the reservation. I was a recent transplant from Boston and the first Indian chief I ever met was an MBA from USC and one of the finest gentlemen I had ever met. I told my stories to my son about this brilliant down to earth man who had developed a career for himself but continued to be a leader in his community.

My son is almost fifty years younger than me and grew up in a far more accepting time than I did, but I can still share the printed story and my own memory of these two past generations of the Calac family with him and give him something to measure himself against.

To the family of Don Calac, I hope this brief memory comforts you somehow.

Don Connors
Las Vegas, NV
April 2, 2017

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“ Very sorry to hear of your passing. I remember as a young man my Dad always talked very highly of you. You were a very well respected man in North County. Always ready to help anyone that needed it. You may be out of sight, but you will always be remembered for the man that you were.
R.I.P. Don.

Pete Trujillo, Pala. - November 02, 2016 at 04:43 PM