



## Rodrigo Suarez

October 28, 1942 - February 23, 2021

Rodrigo Suarez, 10/28/42-2/23/21 died at home from natural causes.

During his lifetime, he was a Vietnam veteran who served proudly in the United States Army. Later in life, he went back to school and graduated from Orange County Community College with honors, obtaining a degree as an Occupational Therapy Assistant. He worked at Cornwall Hospital in the Mental Health Unit until it closed and loved his job helping people.

Rocky, as he was affectionately known (a nickname he acquired in the armed forces) had a great sense of humor and loved, in his later years, watching reruns of Gunsmoke on television and his favorite sport, soccer.

He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth Suarez, two sons, Rodrigo R. Suarez, retired Navy, and Christopher Suarez, a Major in the United States Army, his beloved granddaughter, Angel Leia Suarez, his daughter-in-law, Kirsty Suarez, and sister-in-law, Adelaide Speranza.

Rocky will be greatly missed by his beloved dogs, Dobby and Barclay.

His favorite saying epitomized the credo he lived by, "Never give up, always go forward" and which he passed on to his sons.

Many thanks to the medical professionals at the VA, Castle Point, and

Goshen, and the professionals at WillCare who provided care and support to him.

Due to the Covid pandemic and the difficulty of family members returning home at this time, a memorial service will be held in Rocky's honor at a later date.

# Cemetery Details

## Orange County Veterans Memorial Cemetery

111 Craigville Road  
Goshen, NY

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

MAR 12. 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ I am so sorry to hear about Rocky's passing. I know he is smiling and dancing in heaven. Rocky was my student many years ago at SUNY Orange. He was an amazing student and man. Everyone on campus knew Rocky. He was such a positive, happy and great man to everyone he met.

One day not too many years ago, I looked up and saw another Rocky, his son. The apple hadn't fallen far from that great tree.

My heart felt sympathies and prayers are with his family at this difficult time. I will always remember him with warmth in my heart.

God Bless you all

"Ms G"

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