Joe Alvarado Jr.

Joe Alvarado Jr., 76 of Austin, Texas, passed away, Tuesday January 12, 2021 due to complications from the coronavirus. Joe was born July 31, 1944 in Austin, Texas to Joe Sr. and Josephine Alvarado.

On April 5, 1964 he married his wife and best friend, Dolores Carrizales. Joe was a Navy Veteran, who served in the Vietnam War. Joe held his Ranking as Grandmaster 10th Dan black belt in SORYU Karate. Joe was an Austin Police Department training instructor, who trained Austin Police officers for many years on the use of force and defensive tactics. He trained the de-escalation to APD before the word ever became popular in policing. Joe truly loved the officers; his teachings impacted many lives.

Joe was a Grand Master of SORYU Karate and brought the style to the USA. The love he had for the students was overwhelming and many looked to him as a father figure and a brother. He also was the owner of A&F Trophy Company in South Austin; he had a passion for embroidery and trophies and would often give out his artwork as gifts. Joe loved to fish and participated in many fishing tournaments with his friends. He was a man of principle who always promoted a strong work ethic. Joe always had many stories and jokes he shared with many people. He left an ever-lasting imprint in everyone he met. His hugs were unforgettable.

He was preceded in death by mother, Josephine Nandin and father, Joe Sr. and step-mother, Ann Alvarado.

Joe is survived by his wife Dolores; his children, Lisa Stilwell and her husband Bradley, Cynthia Murphy, Erik Alvarado and his wife Nora Alvarado and Steven Alvarado. His sisters, Orelia Soliz, Tresia Garcia, Nora and Linda Nandin; brother, John Alvarado. He's also survived by his twelve grandchildren, Andrew, Amanda, James, Jonathon, Ella, Emma, Charlie, Logan, Abigail, Britany, Aaron, Israel and eleven great- grandchildren.

Joe will always be in our hearts forever and he will be missed.

A memorial will be held at a later date, for those wanting to be included, send pictures of Joe or want to send your condolences to the family please email at inmemoryofjoealvarado@gmail.com.