



## Thomas Leon Garcia

November 4, 1932 - April 25, 2026

Thomas Leon Garcia, 93, of Riverside, passed away peacefully on April 25, 2026, surrounded by loved ones. He was a loving and devoted husband, companion, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, veteran, pilot, and lifelong lover of aviation.

Thomas was the beloved husband of Sylvia and Betty, and the cherished companion of Tari. He was a proud father to five children: Bruce Garcia, Cindy Hausteen, Janet Nash, Theresa Schaaf, and Leslie Dolphin (Steve).

He was a grandfather to ten: Amy, A.J., Melissa, Jason, Amanda, Lauren, Christopher, Kevin, William, and Eilam; and a great-grandfather to seven: Christopher, Shellie, Mikey, Maeve, Micah, Olive, and Bodhi.

Thomas was preceded in death by his brother, Daniel; his father, Thomas; his mother, Virginia; his wives, Sylvia and Betty; his sister, Delores; his granddaughter, Lauren; and his grandson, William.

Services will be held at Riverside National Cemetery on May 14, 2026, at 11:30 a.m. A gathering will follow at Flabob Airport, Hangar 16A.

# Previous Events

## Burial

MAY 14. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (Pst)

Riverside National Cemetery  
22495 Van Buren Blvd  
Riverside, CA 92518

# Tribute Wall

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“ I am so very sorry for your loss. Tom was a great man that was affectionately known as "Mother Tom" to the June Lake fishing gang. My father, Patrick Clear, and I (Michael) were two of the group that always fished the June Lake area the end of October for many years. Tom took care of everyone and the logistics of the trip. He truly was a great man and I will always cherish the memories of the many fishing trips and also flying with him in his plane. I am sure God has fewer details to worry about now that Tom is there to help. Thank you Tom!

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**Michael Clear** - May 12 at 01:37 PM