



## John Santos Taitano

February 9, 2018

John Santos Taitano, 79, of Baza Gardens, Guam passed away Friday February 9, 2018 in Phoenix, Arizona. He was born December 27, 1938 to John Flores Taitano and Rosario Santos Taitano in Hagatna, Guam.

John was born on the island of Guam in 1938, he graduated from George Washington High School in 1956 and joined the US Army. He served for 20 years as an Infantryman, Cavalry Scout and Signal Soldier. He retired from the Army in 1977 after serving all over the world including the Vietnam War. After he retired, he returned to Guam to serve the island as the director and deputy director of several Government of Guam agencies. He provided sound advice and leadership for many island leaders throughout his public service. He also started several successful businesses and eventually retired from that public life in 2010. He met his wife Julia, in Fort Huachuca, Arizona. His two sons also serve in the US Army, one retired as a Lieutenant Colonel and the other still serves as a Lieutenant Colonel.

He is survived by his wife of 51 years, Julia Y Taitano, his sons; John S. Taitano, Jr. (Jennifer) and Stephen W. Taitano (Jasmine), his sister; Mary Torre, his brothers; Richard , Peter and Roland Taitano and 7 grandchildren, Skyler, Madison , John M. , Matthew , Kristen , Benjamin and Trevor Taitano.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John F. Taitano and Rosario S.

Taitano and his brother, William Joseph Taitano.

A visitation will be held at 4:00pm on Friday, February 16, 2018, with the funeral service and Rosary held at 2:00pm on Saturday February 17, 2018 at Thompson Funeral Chapel,  
926 S. Litchfield Rd. Goodyear, AZ 85338.

Final resting place will be at National Memorial Cemetery of Arizona at a later date.

The family suggests donations be made to MAYO clinic in Phoenix, AZ.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Julia and family, My condolences and prayers to you on the passing of your husband, John. May he rest in peace. Praying all is well with you. Stay strong and keep busy. Take care.*

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**Norma Borja** - April 06, 2018 at 08:49 AM

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“ *My deepest condolences and sympathy to Julia and the family of John. I have fond memories of working with John in the early 1980s when he was the Executive Director of the Guam Contractors Board. As a young attorney, I greatly appreciated the opportunity to attend a meeting with John of state contractor licensing officials in Las Vegas. Then later, I worked with him on his campaign for Senator and even did a live television commercial!! I gained a lot of knowledge and insights from John. He was a smart and good man, and I am saddened to see his passing.*

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**Fred Horecky** - February 27, 2018 at 01:40 PM

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“ *Joseph AC San Agustin and Family Send their condolences and prayers for John's passing. John was a fine man with a firm handshake. Deeply respected and regarded as a true statesman. Thank you for your service to our island and our great country.*

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**Joseph San Agustin** - February 26, 2018 at 03:51 PM

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“ *Our deepest condolences and prayers from Guam. Rest In Peace Uncle John. Thank you for your service to our country and our island.*

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**MSG Joseph & MaryAnn S. Barcinas & family** - February 23, 2018 at 06:36 PM