



Alec Francis Garcia

October 22, 1959 - June 19, 2024

It is a tall order to try and summarize the life of Alec Garcia, because he was a man who truly contained multitudes. Alec was a pillar of the community, beloved husband, father, and brother, and as a life-long Cayucan, he touched the lives of many. With family at his side, Alec passed away at the age of 64 in his home on June 19, 2024.

He is survived by his wife Joan, who was his partner for 35 years and by his two sons, Beau and Jake whom he all cherished deeply. Alec is also survived by his stepsons Hank and Jeff and their wives Lizz and Silvia, brother Mike and his wife Julie. Alec had three granddaughters that he adored – Kali, Annie, and Emma. His extended family in the area is expansive and could not feasibly be listed here. Alec's loyal ranch dog Duncan was always by his side.

Alec was born on October 22, 1959 to Eleanor and George Garcia and grew up in Cayucos, CA out Toro

Creek Canyon. He attended Fairview Elementary, a little white schoolhouse on Toro Creek Road, from

Kindergarten through 4 th grade and attended Cayucos Elementary for grades 5 th -8 th . Alec went to high

school at Coast Union and began to show just how remarkable of a man he was. An incredible athlete

from a young age, he was involved in a variety of sports – baseball, wrestling,

roping, football – and excelled at all of them. Alec played the position of running back on the Coast Union football team and helped lead the team to a CIF championship, and the trophy from their victory was kept in his office as a quiet reminder of what dedication, hard work, and perseverance can lead to. Alec was involved in the family business (known today as GF Garcia & Sons, Inc.) started by his parents at an early age, and immediately after graduating high school Alec began working for the company full time. He was singular in work ethic and determination, and at the age of 18 received his Class A driver's license. In 1978 at the age of 19, Alec became the youngest person in the state of California to receive a general engineering license – he didn't take a class to prepare, just drove to Sacramento and aced the test.

Over the next 40+ years of his life, Alec would dedicate himself to growing GF Garcia & Sons, Inc. and although we cannot reasonably list all of his accomplishments with the company here, some of his most significant work included multiple projects at Cal Poly, San Luis Coastal school district, and public works projects such as fire stations and golf courses. Alec was especially fond of his work to help remodel his alma mater of Cayucos Elementary. Every job he ever did, he wanted to be proud of – and was, and could be. Whether it was a \$1,500 driveway or \$10M project, Alec put the same amount of pride and effort into every job. Of the many things that Alec loved and enjoyed – working with Cal Fire as an

independent contractor for fire prevention and restoration was some of his most rewarding work where he would assist during wildfires by cutting roads and fire breaks to prevent further spread.

Alec was certainly a hard worker, but there was so much more to him than that – he loved his family, was athletic, competitive, yet still humble. Alec loved traveling, enjoyed cooking, especially lamb which he could prepare miraculously, and most notably loved wine drinking and wine making. Alec was also a generous donor to many community organizations including Cal Poly Rodeo, Applause Children's Theater, and the Portuguese IDES celebrations.

A small private graveside service will be held at Cayucos cemetery, and a celebration of life will be planned later on for friends and community to join.

Tribute Wall

GG

“ *My heart is broken! I just happened to learn of Alec's passing. When I was 13 years old, I was his babysitter! His family and mine go way back in history.
What a tragic loss. G. Storni*

Glenda Graebe - September 16, 2024 at 02:26 PM

JG

“ *I will always remember Alec and his family. He was great to work around and great to kick ideas around. He will be missed. R.I.P.*

Jack Greene - July 27, 2024 at 10:12 AM

AQ

“ *I knew Alec through his membership at ABC NorCal (construction association). He believed in training his crew and always wanted to adhere to the rules and regulations governing construction. He was always a pleasure to speak to - and assist. Even during what turned out to be his final weeks he was trying to figure out how to make things easier for his company and family. My sincere condolences to his family. He will be missed. Anne Quick - ABC NorCal*

Anne Quick - July 16, 2024 at 06:18 PM

IO

“ Alec was such a remarkable individual! I really enjoyed collaborating with him at ABC NorCal. He had such a great sense of humor, displayed kindness in abundance, and his enthusiasm for construction was truly infectious. Whenever he reached out, you could always count on a clever joke to brighten your day. Undoubtedly, he stood out as one of the best members I've ever had the pleasure of working with. He will be missed.

Indiana

Indiana Ortega - July 16, 2024 at 06:16 PM

JR

“ James and Diane Ramey purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Alec Francis Garcia.



James and Diane Ramey - June 24, 2024 at 03:22 PM



“ We are deeply saddened at the sudden illness and loss of Alec. We met Alec when Joan and I reconnected at our 50th high school reunion last summer. We live in Huntington Beach and we were invited up to their ranch home. Alec was the perfect gracious host and we were in awe of the hard work he and Joan had put into their land and plans for the future. There are no words of comfort at this time. Joan, you and your family are in our thoughts as we grieve along with you. Alec was a wonderful man and we are grateful for the time we got to spend with him.

Pam Crecelius - June 23, 2024 at 10:53 PM

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“Joan and family, this just breaks my heart to hear this news. I was able to reach out to Alec since his illness and he always returned my calls to shared such positive news as most recently as the 5th and sounded so positive. He expressed his concerns for you and the boys being so worried and looked so forward to the travels you'd planned. Alec and myself were friends since before 5th grade and walked together at 8th grade graduation and continued a great relationship through high school and beyond. I was lucky enough over the years to run into him through both of our careers. I steel picture him in the picture with his cousin Annette Dickerson in their cute little outfits and skates that was always in the office at the skating rink in Morro Bay. Alec will be missed by so many and will always be my friend and will be heavy in my heart.

Georgia Bell Ritzinger - June 22, 2024 at 04:56 PM

SF

“Had a great working relationship with Alec, we both had similar work ethics, had a great friendship with Alec also. He always treated me with respect. A great person will be missed.



Sam Furlin - June 22, 2024 at 01:16 AM

FF

“ *From, Sam and Feryl Furlin purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Alec Francis Garcia.*



From, Sam and Feryl Furlin - June 22, 2024 at 01:00 AM