

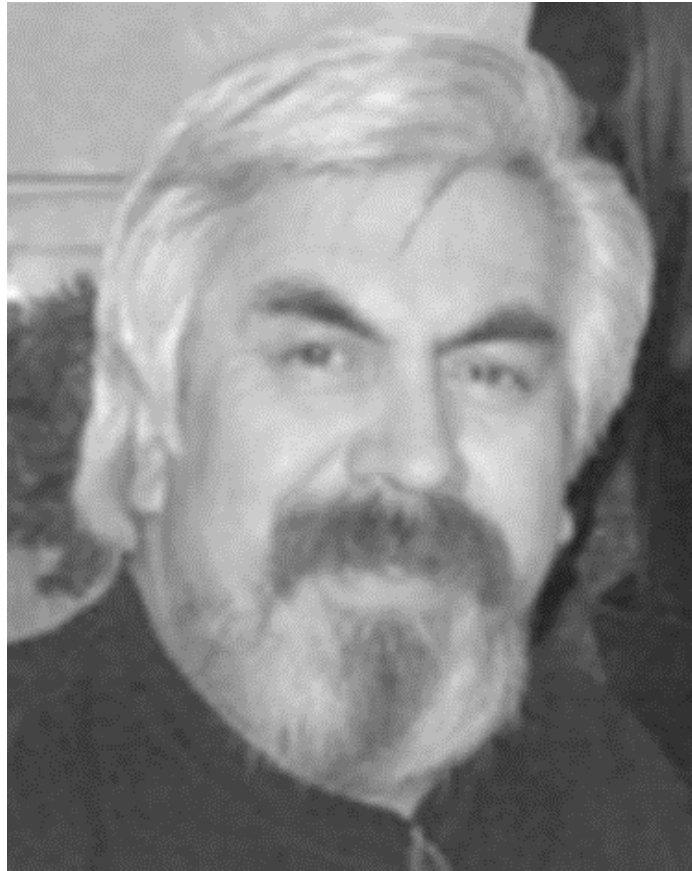
**Velarde Jr., Nicanor “Nick”**  
**Dates in the 57<sup>th</sup> – 1970 - 1973**  
**Rank – MOS**  
**Birth Date: April 3<sup>rd</sup> 1951**  
**City, ST (UNKNOWN)**  
**DAT Date: December 17<sup>th</sup> 2012**  
**City, UT**



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Our beloved Nick Velarde Jr., passed away on December 17, 2012. Born April 3, 1951 to Nicanor and Sadie Velarde. He graduated from Bingham High School in 1969. He served in the Vietnam War, US Army 57th Assault Helicopter Company (Gladiator) 173rd Airborne Brigade (1969 -1972). He was a retired truck driver in construction and long haul. Nick was a loving, caring person who brought fun & laughter to any gathering. He had a quick wit and an amazing sense of humor, loved teasing and making everyone happy. His family was his passion and life, especially his 8 beautiful grandchildren. He enjoyed the outdoors, cooking, and his Harley. He demonstrated love for life, God and community by being an active member in the Knights of Columbus at St. Therese and also as a Lector. Survived by his wife of 38 years, Connie; mother, Sadie; son, Lucas (Jessica); daughters, Melissa & Michelle; grandchildren, Francesca, Samantha, Sadie, Avril, Phoenix, Alexandra, Ginjer and Nick; his brother, numerous sisters, nieces and nephews. Preceded in death by his beloved father, Nick Velarde Sr. and brothers, Paul & Richard. Funeral Mass Saturday, December 22, 2012, 11 a.m. at St. Therese Catholic Church, 7832 Allen Street, Midvale. Friends are invited Friday, December 21, 2012 between 6-8 p.m. at the church, rosary & vigil service will be held at 7:00 p.m. Interment, Redwood Memorial Estates.

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Lucas Velarde - My dad was a gladiator 70-73 his name was Jose Nick Velarde... He passed December 17th 2012 in his sleep 4 days before my 30th birthday and my homecoming... If anyone knew him, know he loved y'all til the end and I'd love to hear about your time together. #deathfromabove #skysoldier

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# Nicanor “Nick” Velarde Jr.

**BIRTH** 3 Apr 1951

**DEATH** 17 Dec 2012 (aged 61)

**BURIAL** [Redwood Memorial Cemetery](#)

West Jordan, Salt Lake County, Utah, USA

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