

Celebrating The Life And Legacy of
Albert Robert Piña III

Sunrise:
May 10, 1959

Sunset:
May 18, 2022



Words of Wisdom

"It is easy to sing when one sits upon a perch of privilege as compared to those who are drowning in a sea of neglect"

Al Piña



Legacy Gifts

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Al Piña's name to the Tampa St. Joseph's Children Hospital or Shriners Hospital for Children



Sincere Gratitude

The family is grateful for all of the generous acts of kindness.

Thank you for your love, prayers, and support at this time of sorrow.

Friday, May 27, 2022

2:00 PM Visitation ♦ 4:00 PM Service

Blount & Curry Funeral Home

605 S. Macdill Avenue ♦ Tampa, Florida 33609

Order of Service

Officiant:

Rev. Alonzo Bell

Martin Evers Missionary Baptist Church

Opening Prayer: Rev. Alonzo Bell

Welcome/Words of Acknowledgment: Ron Piña

Community Reflections:

- ◆ John Gamboa, *Board Chair, California Community Builders*
- ◆ Anthony Weekly, *EVP Chief CRA/Community Development Officer, Truist Bank*
- ◆ Marcos Morales, *Executive Director, Hogar Hispano Inc.*
- ◆ Scott McKee, *SVP/Director, Corporate Social Responsibility, First Merchants Corporation*
- ◆ Dr. Ruben Guerra, *Chairman, Latin Business Assoc & CA Black & Latino Business CRA Council*

A Life Well Lived Tribute:

Dina Harris, *President FMCRC Board & President and Founder, National Faith Homebuyers*

Eulogy: Erica Cardenas

Gone But Never Forgotten Tribute & Closing Prayer:

Rev. Jules Dunham Howie, *Co-Chair, CRA Baltimore*

Song & Slide Show

A Well Lived Life

Albert Robert Piña III, "Al", unexpectedly passed on Wednesday, May 18, 2022 at his home in Tampa, Florida.

Al honorably served in the U.S. Air Force for four years and was a graduate of Arizona State University. Al began his community economic development career as Vice President of Development for the National Council of La Raza and was integral in launching the country's first minority focused housing and commercial real estate CDFI. In 2005, he took his efforts to Florida where he would spend the next 17 years launching and leading multiple national minority economic civil rights organizations, advocating for minority communities in Florida, as well as throughout the country. Al will be deeply missed, and his legacy will be forever etched in the minds and hearts of all those he helped and inspired.

He is preceded in death by his father, Albert Piña II, and his brother, Alejandro (Alex) Piña. He is survived by his mother, Inez D. Piña; his children; daughter, Erica and husband JR., daughter, Emily; and son, Albert; grandchildren, Nicholas Albert, Aliday Cristina and Noah James; great-grandson, Ro Michael; sister, Raquel Richter; brothers, Ronnie and Michael Piña; nephews, Ronnie, Diego, Adrian, Kyle and Kody; niece Michelle.

"There are those who say thus is the way of the world....I say NO thus we make it"

Al Piña