



## Angelo Ruiz Blancaflor

July 31, 1978 - August 31, 2022

Angelo Ruiz Blancaflor of Fairfield, California passed away on Wednesday, August 31, 2022 at the age of 76. After battling cancer for a little over a year, he died peacefully with his beloved wife Osa, their children and other family members by his side.

Born Angel Jose Ruiz Blancaflor, Angelo was born in Manila, Philippines on April 3, 1946, to Othniel P. Blancaflor and Araceli Ruiz Blancaflor. He was the third eldest of 9 children. His siblings are Ariel, Moises (passed away at infancy), Fatima (Patty), Renato, (Rene) Carmelo (Melo), Othniel Jr. (Boy), Muriel (Baby), and Erwin (Bobby). Growing up in the Philippines, his fondest memories consisted of spending time with not only his immediate family but his extended family too such as his affectionate grandmother, Mama Lola, and his beloved aunt, Tita Caring as well as his various cousins, aunts, and uncles. Growing up with humble means, his stories were always filled with laughter, music and food. With these three traits, Angelo had a great sense of humor, was a fine pianist and singer, and a great cook, he was known for his fruit salad and Kare-Kare (peanut butter stew).

Angelo arrived in the United States in 1968. He lived in Peoria, Illinois with his 3 brothers and his father. After a brief stint of working odd jobs in restaurants,

he obtained a position at St. Francis Hospital as an orderly and then phlebotomist. There, he met the love of his life and his future wife, Osa. He joined the Air Force in 1970. After serving two duty stations, he moved back to Peoria and married Osa in July 1974. Soon after, he was assigned his final duty station at Travis Air Force Base and Angelo and Osa moved to Fairfield, California. They had two children, David (1975) and Irene (1976).

Angelo completed his stint in the military and decided not to reenlist, but instead attended Solano Community College where he received his Nursing Degree. He opened a residential care home for the elderly in 1983, and he also worked as a Registered Nurse at Napa State Hospital and Contra Costa Regional Medical Center. He closed the care home in 1995 and focused on his nursing career. He retired from Napa in 2004 and from Contra Costa in 2014.

Six grandchildren later, Angelo was quite busy after retiring. His great love was making sure his grandchildren were taken care of. Picking them up from school, taking them to the park, treating them to MacDonald's and Denny's, and helping them with homework. Besides taking care of his grandkids, he also traveled with Osa and played mahjong with friends and family. He was an active member with the Fil-Am Community of Fairfield, Suisun, and Vacaville since 1978. He enjoyed serving the Fil-Am Community as a member and President. He was also a member of the Knights of Columbus council#15620.

Angelo was preceded in death by his parents and brother Moises. He is survived by his wife, Osa Sy-Blancaflor. His son David Blancaflor and David's common law partner Emmy Cabal; His daughter and son-in-law, Irene and Asa Mandate; grandchildren Preston Mandate, Aiden Mandate, Gillian

Blancaflor, Olivia Mandate, DJ Blancaflor, Davin Blancaflor; seven siblings; and countless nieces and nephews.

A Celebration of Life for Angelo will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, September 13, 2022, at Holy Spirit Church, 1070 N Texas St, Fairfield, California. There will be a private interment of ashes at the Fairmont Memorial Park scheduled at a later date.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

SEP **13**. 10:00 AM (PT)

Holy Spirit Catholic Church  
1050 Texas Street  
Fairfield, CA 94533

# Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Angelo Ruiz Blancaflor.



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