## **Samuel James Baron**

Sam Baron, 73, died Friday, October 19, 2007 at his home. Visitation was held from 6 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday, October 23 at The Hamil Family Funeral Home. Services were held at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, October 24, 2007 at the Tabernacle in the Alameda Cemetery in Eastland County.

He was born July 12, 1934 to Ventura Ojeda and Delia (Hernandez) Ojeda in Oxnard, California. He served in the United States Army during the Korean War.

Sam graduated from Mount San Antonio College in 1969 as a Registered Nurse.

While living in California, Sam worked as a Registered Nurse in various hospitals for 20 years. On May 8, 1982, he married Theo Leita Miller in Houston, Texas. Sam and Theo lived and worked in Houston and in Abilene during their married life of 25 years. While living in Houston, Sam worked in a VA hospital for eight years and at the Richmond State School. He also worked in various other Texas hospitals for six years. In July of 1996, Sam moved to Abilene from Houston. He was a member of the Seventh Day Adventist Church in Abilene.

Sam was a loving and devoted father. He was very proud of his children's accomplishments. His brother and sisters were always close, and he loved them dearly. Sam took great pride in his homes and enjoyed his hobby of landscaping. He was a devoted and caring nurse and devoted 40 years of his life to serving others in their time of need.

Sam had a large and extended family and nothing pleased him more than being with them. When he was well, Sam enjoyed his church fellowship and he sang special music at frequent intervals.

Preceding Sam in death were his parents and one sister, Micki Torres.

He is survived by his wife of 25 years, Theo Baron, of Abilene; two daughters, Sonia Baron of Sacramento, California and Debbie McConnell of Atlantic, Iowa; two sons, Samuel Anthony Baron and wife Carrie, of Midland, and Gregory Baron and wife Sylvia of Paradise, California; one step-son, Gary Scott of Houston; one brother, Reuben Ojeda of College Park, Washington; two sisters, Mary Lou Moore of Los Angeles, California and Helen Gregorieff also of Los Angeles; 12 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Gary Scott of Houston; Chad Schuller and Chase Baron, both of Kingsby, Georgia; Blake Baron of Tucson, Arizona; Paige Baize of Clyde; and Dallas Scott of Sugarland, Texas. Honorary pallbearers were Elders of the Abilene Seventh Day Adventist Church.