

Jose Ramon Bas – CR 497235 – 11/1/72, deceased 11/28/72

Jose Ramon Bas is my beloved father. He was born in 1912 and had 3 daughters. I am the youngest of the three. He lived for his daughters and then his grandchildren. He worked very hard to provide for his family. He retired from Gerber Baby Food at the age of 60 and opened up a small “Mom and Pop” grocery store named “**Bas Grocery,**” located at the corner of Avenue B and Conkey. I remember him as a gentle but he was also a strong, stern and determined man. More than anything, he was family oriented and also loved to provide for us.

I am the granddaughter of Jose Ramon Bas. I have few but fond memories of him. Family was everything to us and he was a big part of my early childhood. He would chase me around the kitchen table with his dentures laughing. I remember at around age 5 falling on ice then bleeding from my knee. Crying, I thought to myself, no one knew that I had fallen. Looking up to my surprise I saw my grandfather running towards me. He swooped me up in his arms and took me to the ER to get stitches. To this day, I see the scar on my knee and think of him. I pray for closure for me but more so for my mother and aunts.

It has been almost 49 years since he was taken from us. We still feel the deep void in our hearts. I ask that if anyone has any information to please help us understand what took place so we can have some form of closure.