

Jose Miguel Arciniega Descendants Society was founded by Donna De Leon and Co-Founders Darlene Flores, Dorothy Rodriguez and Letricia Rodriguez on April 5, 2012. Our organization is made up of Jose Miguel's descendants across the United States.

Jose Miguel Arciniega is our four times great grandfather who served thirty-six years to the State of Texas and was unknown until JMADS conducted 3.5 years of full-time research to reach our goals to:

1. Have located Jose Miguel Arciniega's house he and his father Gregorio Arciniega, a retired soldier of the Second flying Company of Carlos de Parras garrison, built in 1811. They rolled the lime stones from the Alamo to build it.
2. Their house was named the "Diaz House" JMADS proved it was not her house, resulting in taking the name plaque down. JMADS held a celebration on his 220th Birthday and gifted Jose Miguel with a re-dedication now it is the "Arciniega House". It is on the corner of "Arciniega Street" and S. Presa St.
3. JMADS has published a booklet for Jose Miguel in education his descendants and the public of his attributes and contributions by serving in multiple positions as a governmental, political and military leader under New Spain, Mexico, Republic of Texas, and Texas, United States.
4. JMADS donated a bronze plaque to the Marriott Plaza Hotel and a composite of Jose Miguel Arciniega in his home where it is there for public viewing.
5. We have been approved by the Texas Historical Commission a marker identifying Jose Miguel as a "Maker of Texas".
6. JMADS is the first to give a public presentation on Jose Miguel Arciniega.
7. JMADS has put Jose Miguel Arciniega's time-line by way of an art exhibit.
8. Awaiting approval to place Jose Miguel Arciniega on the wall of Mayors in San Antonio's City Hall.
9. Jose Miguel was unknown by History Scholars, Archivists, and Researcher s in Texas and it took Jose Miguel's descendants to uncover his life story of his loyal dedication to his tierra, Texas.

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