

VICENTE T. XIMENES, 304 Monroe St. NE, Albuquerque, New Mexico

Family history

Vicente T. Ximenes was born on December 5, 1919 in the village of Floresville, Texas. He was the fifth of seven children born to Mr. and Mrs. Jose F. Ximenes. His father owned a small subsistence farm which was the main livelihood source, but for money income worked in the town at a grocery store.

All the children graduated from the local high school and some went on to attain a higher education. At present the older brother Ben is a civil service worker; Eduardo is a physician in San Antonio, Texas; Herculita is a teacher in San Antonio, Texas; Waldo is a lawyer and Captain in the Air Force in Spain; Jose is an Air Force Master Sergeant with a missile unit in Italy.

Vicente is married and has three children.

Education

Vicente graduated from Floresville High School and then attended the University of Texas in 1940-41 school year.

After seven years in the Air Force, Vicente attended the University of New Mexico where he received his Bachelor of Arts Degree and Master of Arts Degree in Economics in 1951.

Military record

Vicente was appointed as aviation cadet in January, 1942 and was graduated a 2nd Lt. in June 1942 at Kirtland Air Base, Albuquerque, New Mexico. In 1943 he flew 50 missions for the Air Force as a bombardier on a B-17 Flying Fortress. He was a lead bombardier.

He was decorated by the Air Force with the Air Medal and the Distinguished Flying Cross.

After his overseas duty, Vicente instructed aviation cadets at ASan Angelo Air Base from 1944 to 1945. Afterwards he was chief of

supply operations in Kelly Field, Texas.

He was discharged as a Major in 1947.

Civilian employment record

After high school graduation, Vicente spent one year with the Civilian Conservation Corps as chief clerk of the camp in Floresville and Seguin, Texas. He taught elementary school in a small rural community near Floresville, Texas just prior to entering the service.

In September, 1951 Vicente joined the staff of the Bureau of Business Research of the University of New Mexico as a research assistant and is now a research economist at the University.

Research publications include the followings:

Natural Gas in New Mexico, New Mexico Studies in Business and Economics, Bureau of Business Research, University of New Mexico. 1954.

Housing in New Mexico, Division of Research, Department of Government, University of New Mexico. 1954.

Income by Counties in New Mexico, New Mexico Studies in Business and Economics, Bureau of Business Research, University of New Mexico. 1956

Demand for Dentists in New Mexico, New Mexico Department of Public Health, Santa Fe, New Mexico. 1957.

1958 Directory of New Mexico Manufacturing & Mining, Bureau of Business Research, University of New Mexico. 1958

Wages in the Construction Industry of New Mexico, State Labor Industrial Commission, Santa Fe, New Mexico. 1954.

1957 Income by Counties in New Mexico, Bureau of Business Research, University of New Mexico. 1958.

Community service

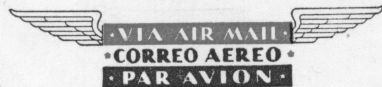
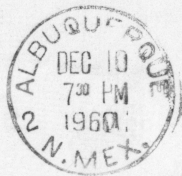
Founded the American GI Forum of New Mexico, an organization whose main purpose is community service. The American GI Forum membership elected him to 2 years as National Chairman of the young organization.

Ximenes lead the Forum in a major building project that resulted in a central headquarters. The building was planned and constructed through the help and cooperation of members who worked during their time off from regular work. The building is now used for community action of the American GI Forum and any other group interested in local, State, regional, or national problems.

Awards

1. American GI Forum National Leadership award for two years of service rendered as National Chairman, 1958.
2. Phi Delta Kappa - Scholastic education honorary fraternity. 1951.
3. Phi Kappa Phi - Scholastic honorary fraternity, highest scholastic award at University of New Mexico. 1951.
4. University of New Mexico Graduate Assistant in Economics
5. Distinguished Flying Cross. 1943.
6. Air Medal. 1943
7. Nominee for Outstanding Citizen of Albuquerque, Junior Chamber of Commerce, 1956.
8. Winner of Albuquerque United Nations Human Rights Award. 1959.
9. Awarded scholarship to attend Fiske University Race Relations Institute. 1955.

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