



Maria Belia Guerrero

July 14, 1939 - April 11, 2023

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Mary was born in Pharr, Texas, on July 14, 1939. She went to be with the Lord on April 11, 2023. She was preceded in death by her parents Rafael and Benilde Garza, brother Rafael Garza and sister Criselda Sanchez, and her son, Antonio "Tony" Sanchez. She is survived by her brother Juan Garza. She is also survived by her children: Mary A. Stevens (Scott), Azalia J. Shephard (Henry), Daniel Sanchez, Adrian Sanchez (Carmen), William P. Sanchez, Veronica I. Moncada (Joel), Joseph R. Sanchez (Lisa), Catherine L. Cervantes (Robert); and her 22 grandchildren, 28 great-grandchildren, and one great great-grandchild.

She was a loving and caring person to her family and friends. She loved to cook for family and church events. She also enjoyed traveling and stopping to eat at many restaurants along the way. She enjoyed socializing with new people. She loved fishing with a long-time friend, Fred Pardee; playing cards and dominos on game nights were a couple of other things that brightened her life. Being with her grandchildren would put a sparkle in her eye. She will be missed by family and friends who loved her dearly.

Special thanks to Community Baptist Church, Pastor Jackson, and all the church family that made her feel so blessed and welcomed there.

Arrangements by the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home. Share your memories and condolences online at www.holihanatkin.com

Tribute Wall

KC

“ *Kristopher Cervantes lit a candle in memory of Maria Guerrero* ”



Kristopher Cervantes - March 05, 2025 at 02:26 AM

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“ *Kristopher Cervantes sent a virtual gift in memory of Maria Guerrero* ”



Kristopher Cervantes - March 05, 2025 at 02:25 AM

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Kristopher Cervantes - March 05, 2025 at 02:24 AM

KC

“ My dear beautiful Grandma. I miss her so so much. We always loved to talk and do things together. I just wish we would've talked more and did more things. Life goes by too fast. Way too fast. She was a true Queen and I let her know it everytime I could tell her. She actually cared and respected and was not afraid to be honest. That's rare nowadays. I appreciate her a lot for that. I love you a lot Grandma!! Rest In Peace Beautiful Queen❤️

Kristopher Cervantes - March 05, 2025 at 02:17 AM

JJ

“ Thankful for her life and friendship Pastor Joe Jackson

Joe Jackson - May 07, 2023 at 08:46 AM

VM

“ More pictures from mom's 80th Birthday party. It was definitely one to remember, mostly for her but definitely for us kids that were able to attend. A few pic's from prior to my brothers passing. A couple with her sister Criselda Sanchez, May they both Rest In Peace. 🙏
Love you always mom! ❤️



Veronica Moncada - May 04, 2023 at 01:27 AM

VM

“ My granddaughter now 5 & 1/2. Just a reminder to everyone.. Don't let a day go by that you don't go visit your parent's, grandparents and loved ones, because you never know when it's going to be too late. My mom never got to meet my son Aaron and my daughter in law Paula's little girl, she is so special, loving and sweet. "I know you would have loved her immensely," she's so much like your "Little Guy." I gave her hugs all the time from you. Aaron and his family didn't get to visit you due to him being in the Navy for the last 7 plus years and most recently stationed/deployed in Japan. If Athena could talk, I know she'd be yelling at the top of her lungs, "I love you, Grandma!" ❤️



Veronica Moncada - May 03, 2023 at 10:33 PM



“ I don't have a single bad memory of great grandma. I'm so grateful I got to spend extra time with her in her last month or so. I will always cherish our one on one conversations because that's when I learned the most about her and her life. I think one of the most loving acts of service is cooking for others and grandma always did just that without complaints. She cared for everyone and always thought that family came first. I'll always remember going fishing with her, making tortillas, visiting her at her old apartment, how happy she was with Fred, her smile when she saw the little grandkids, playing bingo and dominoes and so much more. Love you so much grandma, I know you're without pain now and that we will see you again some day. We're so lucky to have had you as the queen of our family! You started it all, and your legacy lives through us❤️❤️❤️



Vanessa Mejia-Miller - May 03, 2023 at 10:00 PM

VM

“ This is my mom, her sister Criselda Sanchez and her brother Rafael Garza Jr. “You’re all together again, along with my (grandpa only one I remember.”)

Love you ALL.. ❤️

(Romans 6:18)

For the wages of sin is death;
but the gift of God is eternal life
through Jesus Christ our Lord.



Veronica Moncada - May 03, 2023 at 09:07 PM

VM

“ Some Random pictures that included my mom. A photo of us at my high school graduation 1983. My mom and brother Tony right before he passed 10/22, my mom and my father, then a few others. ❤️ Will always remember and love you! ❤️



Veronica Moncada - May 03, 2023 at 08:44 PM

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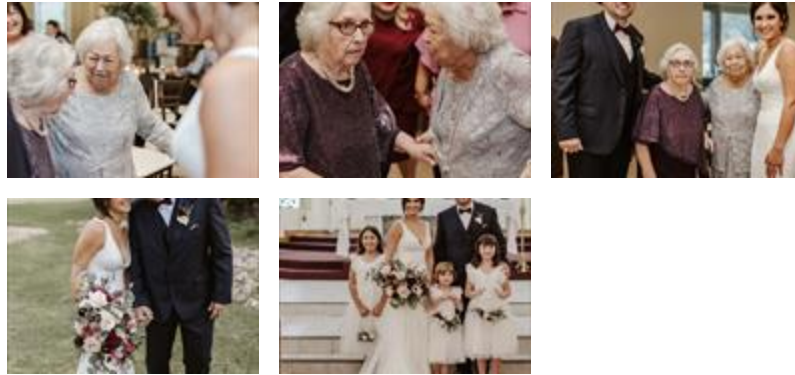
“ Mom’s 80th Birthday Party was tons of fun and excitement. My family and I along with my grandkids made the trip to Michigan to attend. She was strong willed and stubborn to the point where she insisted on cooking almost all the food for her own party, she would not have had it any other way. Church, family and friends all attended. The amazing memories my mom left behind are many, she touched everyone’s heart at one time or another. Missing you forever Mom! ❤️ We all love you! ❤️



Veronica Moncada - May 03, 2023 at 08:34 PM

VM

“ Then 31 years later my mom would attend my daughter’s (Alyssa’s) wedding. She was 81 years old and thankfully healthy enough to travel and attend. She loved Alyssa so much and would do almost anything for her. The feeling was mutual for Alyssa as well. We miss you everyday, mom and grandma for the person you were, the great cook and all the love you shared with us all We will never forget you! ❤️



Veronica Moncada - May 03, 2023 at 08:19 PM

VM

“ Missing you Mama! I will love you forever.. ❤️



Veronica Moncada - May 03, 2023 at 09:44 AM

VM

“ I never thought I'd see the day when I would or even could have a wedding like the one my mom gave me. It was the best day of my life! She cooked everything for us. She just loved to cook. I don't know if I thanked her enough for that day almost 38 years ago, but if not, “mama, I want to thank for for the best wedding day a girl could of asked for. It was all that I hoped for and more. I miss you and will love you forever.” ❤️



Veronica Moncada - May 03, 2023 at 09:20 AM

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“ Catherine Cervantes sent a virtual gift in memory of Maria Guerrero



Catherine Cervantes - May 03, 2023 at 06:21 AM

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“ Catherine Cervantes lit a candle in memory of Maria Guerrero



Catherine Cervantes - May 03, 2023 at 06:19 AM



“ *Mother of many all by her self she always did what had to for children. I was not by her side when departed but she was and always be with me.*



Adrian Sanchez - May 02, 2023 at 11:41 AM

AR

“ *First of all my mother my family and I send our most sincere condolences to all my cousins and their families. I am my aunt Belias niece Annette. My father Rafael Garza Jr. was Belias brother. My aunt Belia was the BEST cook! She loved being in her kitchen cooking large family meals. One of my fondest memories of her was when she cooked for our family during her visits to the RGV.*



Annette Ramirez - April 27, 2023 at 05:25 PM

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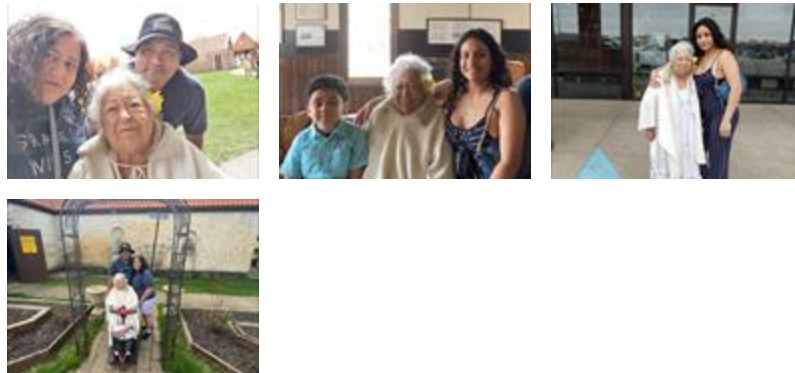
“ *Many great times we shared, she always loved life, as we will always love and miss her!* ”



Catherine Cervantes - April 27, 2023 at 12:22 PM

CC

“ *Out to see the tulips last Mother's Day 2022.* ”



Catherine Cervantes - April 26, 2023 at 02:37 PM

CC

“ *Our beautiful Mother
Your like no Other
Tubes tied no more
God said "here adore"
Blessed with all nine
It will all be fine
You have been a provider great
Even in the most awful state
Nurturing and giving
To keep us all living
In a world that's unkind
But we must love mankind
Under your wings we all flew
Memories til we see you
Until then we help each other
And always love one another*

*Love you always,
your "Baby" Cat*

Catherine Cervantes - April 26, 2023 at 02:27 PM