



## Alfonso Bazan Gonzalez

February 18, 1924 - February 20, 2006

Alfonso Bazan Gonzalez, beloved husband, father, brother and friend, went to be with his heavenly father on Monday, February 20, 2006. He is now free from pain and safe in his arms. Alfonso Gonzalez was born on Feb. 18, 1924. He was orphaned at a very young age and grew up in Kingsville, Texas, where he was given a loving home with Arcadio and Beatrice Trevino and her sons, Arcadio, Alfonso, and Joe. Although he never went to school, he taught himself to read and write by doing homework with his “brothers”, the Trevino boys and neighbor Pete Miniel. Alfonso lived in Kingsville until he went into the Air Force. While in the military, he developed a fondness for airplanes and radios. He later developed two more interests: cars and his faith in God. These interests continued with him throughout the rest of his life and he would gladly discuss any of these topics at length with anyone who would listen, especially if you couldn't get away fast enough.

On May 19, 1946, he married Emma Cordoway and they had a family of six daughters and two sons. In addition to his wife, he is survived by brothers Joe Trevino and Pete Miniel; and children Gus and Susan Gonzalez; Elenora Gonzalez; Faye Gonzalez; Jeanette and Tom Montalvo; Diana and Robert Leyva; Patty and Gary Frey; John and Terry Gonzalez; and Cissy Gonzalez. He also leaves behind 15 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren.

A special thanks goes out to VITAS Hospice and the Floresville Nursing Home for their excellent care of Alfonso during his lengthy illness, especially nurses Yolanda Lara and Jeff Rosenberg from the VITAS Crisis Care Team. In lieu of

flowers, the family asks that contributions may be made to the VITAS Foundation, 5400 Fredericksburg Road, Suite 200, San Antonio, TX 78229 or to a charity of your own choice.

Dad, we will miss you and in your own words “Amen”.

# Tribute Wall

AG

“ Dear Faye & Gonzalez Family:

*Your loved one has left this world and has taken that Heavenly flight.*

*It's supper-time there in Heaven where there's no parting nor night.*

*It was difficult to say "good-bye" to the one you loved so very much.*

*Trust i*

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**Angel Garza** - February 23, 2006 at 12:00 AM

NL

“ Ellie,

*I was so sorry to hear today about your daddy. My prayers are with you and your family. At least he is happy and free from all the earthly pains. Please let me know if there is anything I can do and you know how much you mean to me.*

*Love you*

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**Nancy Lopez** - February 23, 2006 at 12:00 AM

AC

“ *My deepest sympathy to my Aunt Emma and her children, my cousins who I grew up with. Losing a parent is a sad time but Uncle Al has gone to be with God and joins great company, my parents. May he rest in peace.*

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**Al Cortez** - February 22, 2006 at 12:00 AM

KP

“ Dearest Faye and Family,  
God bless you and hold you in His arms. May He comfort you as  
only a precious Father can.  
I am praying for your strength and peace. Much love - Karen  
Pankey

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**Karen Pankey** - February 22, 2006 at 12:00 AM

FO

“ With sincere sympathy to the Gonzalez family. Your family is in our  
thoughts and prayers in this time of sorrow.

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**Floresville Police Department Officers** - February 22, 2006 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.  
Pam & Ronnie

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**Mr. & Mrs. R.J. Poulk** - February 22, 2006 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ Peace with God's abounding love to always surround you and your  
family.

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**Rita Roach** - February 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM

HB

“ Mr. Gonzalez was among the most decent, honorable men I have  
ever known. Just to be around him made me aware of how a truly  
good a man can be. He will be missed, and his passing leaves us all  
poorer. Thank you to his family for sharing him with us. My

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**Howard C. Berger** - February 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ With sincere sympathy to the Gonzalez family.

Bob and Karen Thomas - February 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Our family prayers are for you and your family in this time of sorrow. Your father's faith was deep. I know his prayers would have been for his wife, family and friends to celebrate his life. From used cars to radio stations, to part of my adopted family

Jack & Kathy Bratcher - February 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ Brother Al was a blessing to my wife, myself and our family Garcias and Carrascos. We enjoyed listening to him talk about his past experiences growing up and his military career, especially his knowledge of airplanes and radio equipment. His biggest asset

Tony and Rachel Cardenas - February 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ Your family is in our prayers. You all have a legacy to be proud of. Your dad was a self-taught man and provided you all with an inspiration. Look at all he accomplished on his own. What a great man.

Danny and Kathi Pierce - February 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ I am just so very saddened by the passing of Mr. Gonzalez. Mr. Gonzalez is entirely the reason that I got into radio and where I am today. He took a chance on a 16-year-old kid back in the 70's and put him to work helping him get his dream of putting a

John Lackness - February 20, 2006 at 12:00 AM