



Alfonzo "Fonfo" De La Rosa

October 19, 1919 - May 14, 2014

Alfonzo "Fonfo" De La Rosa, was born in Agujita, Coahuila in Mexico on October 19, 1919. He was the oldest in a family of 9 brothers and sisters. At the tender age of 9, Alfonzo left his childhood behind and started doing the work of a man working with his own father in a mill, grinding corn into dough in the town of Monterrey, Mexico. Growing up in a big family with big needs, Alfonzo became a jack of all trades doing everything he could to help his father bring up the family. When he was 22 years old, Alfonzo married Maria his wife who happened to have been born in Kansas but whose father had moved his family to Monterrey when working for the Santa Fe Railroad. After Alfonzo married Maria, he worked feverishly to try to bring his children to the United States thru his wife's citizenship – He would come across the border and work as a laborer trying to save enough to pay all the fees and expenses needed. After 12 years of doing this, he was finally able to realize his dream and in 1956 moved to the good old USA. His last son David, was born here in San Antonio, Texas and David joined his brothers and sisters to make a family of 5 children Gilbert, Gloria, Joel and Maria Elena. His children will forever be grateful to their father for all the lessons learned while his father tried to give them a better life than they would have had in Mexico if they had stayed there.

Alfonzo was a humble man and could fix anything from a car engine to a broken clasp on an earring. He worked at anything and everything while his children grew up – Electrician, Plumber, auto mechanic and all around

repairman; this was Alfonzo De La Rosa. After 67 years of a solid marriage, his wife went home to be with the Lord. Alfonzo always missed his wife. For almost 6 years, he held on to her memory – He was living but not enjoying life – He knew the only place he could be happy was by his wife side; so on May 14, 2014 he went to join her. His family will miss him terribly, but we are oh so happy for him. He is finally HOME.

VAYA CON DIOS "FONFO"