



Amanda Velasquez

December 11, 1935 - May 21, 2019

Amanda went to be with the Lord on Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at the age of 83. She went quickly and peacefully in her sleep, at her home, due to early complications with dementia.

Amanda was born on December 11, 1935 in Laredo, Texas, to Pablo and Dolores Garcia. She attended Martin High School. As one of the oldest of nine siblings, she helped her widowed mother work and raise the others. She remained supportive of her siblings, mother and in-laws throughout her lifetime – future sister-in-laws lived with her while the brother went through Air Force training; a sister recuperated from tuberculosis; she provided financial support to her mother and mother in law; and she always helped nieces and nephews when they came to her.

She married at 18, and in 1956 moved with her husband and their first daughter to San Antonio.

Amanda was a loving, and caring wife, mother, grandmother. She was a homemaker until the early 1970's, when all her children were in school. At the age of 36, she got a driver's license and began working outside the home. She had always made dresses and outfits for her daughters, so her first job was a brief stint sewing in a garment factory production line for Levi Strauss & Co., with Santone Industries. She began her retail experience at a neighborhood fabric store, before starting her career as the Assistant Manager of the Men's Department of the Montgomery Wards department

store, in the McCreless Mall. EVERYONE knew Amanda- she dressed a generation of Boys and Men, trained a generation of Department and Store Managers in the areas of inventory and cost controls and merchandising and sales promotions. She mastered the skill of always having Friday's off for her weekly beauty shop hair appointments, and always - time with her daughters and grandkids.

By 1977, with the birth of her first grandson, she would pick him up from daycare for one-on one time. This was a pattern she and her husband continued for all the grandchildren, half of which she helped raise and lived in her home at some point.

She retired in 1991, at first eligibility. After retiring she devoted herself to raising her last granddaughters, always attending events with their other grandmother, her comadre and friend, Mrs. Nevolina Jaime. She enjoyed shopping and tolerated travelling just enough to visit her Army son and granddaughter all across the USA (Maryland, California, Georgia and Florida), take the grandkids on Disney vacations, and on occasion, she really enjoyed the nickel slot machines, but not so much the casino atmospheres.

Amanda had a full life but was taken much sooner than expected. She survived the loss of her father at the age of 10, the loss of three sons at or before birth, seeing both her mother and mother in law deteriorate through long bouts with dementia and two hemorrhagic strokes on 2001 and 2011, before her dimensia about four years ago. She remains a source of strength, love and compassion.

She is preceded in death by her loving husband of 64 years, Salvador Velasquez, just a short 11 months ago; sisters Ana Maria Mendoza and Yolanda Garza and brother Pablo Fernando Garcia. She is survived by her daughters, Sarah Velasquez Segura (Gilbert), Diana Velasquez Terrazas, Deborah Velasquez Jaime, Sandra Velasquez-Herrera (Rene); son, David S. Velasquez (Teresa); sisters Norma Garcia, Dolores "Loly" Garcia, Maria

Eugenia Perez (Arnulfo) and Hilda Garza (Ramiro) ; brother Armando Garcia (Beverly); grandchildren Michael Anthony Segura (Marisa Gonzalez), Christopher David Terrazas (Lauren Nicole), April Marie Segura, Veronica Renee Velasquez, Megan Maire Jaime – Arriaga (Omar), Melanie Michelle Jaime and Trey Herrera; great grandchildren Savannah Marie Segura, Arianna Neveah Segura, Mikayla Abrielle Segura, Bella Chavez, Cash Dylan Terrazas, Harper Rose Terrazas, Kaleb Allen Rackley, Raymond Jayce (RJ) Velasquez – Camacho, Josalynn Amanda Segura, Michaella Esperanza Arriaga and Alexander Reign Jaime – Cantu.

Visitation will be Friday, May 31, 2019 from 4-6 pm with a Rosary to begin at 5. There will be a small Celebration of Life dinner at 6:30pm - 9p, at the events Center of the Embassy Suites Brooks Hotel & Spa, 7610 S. New Braunfels Ave 78235

Funeral Service will be Saturday, June 1, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at Mission park Funeral Chapels South with interment 10:30 am to follow at Mission Burial Park South.

In lieu of flower, please send donations on her behalf to the Meals on Wheels of San Antonio, online at <https://www.mowsatx.org>

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 31. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels South, Cemeteries & Crematories
1700 SE Military Dr
San Antonio, TX 78214
(210) 924-4242
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Rosary

MAY 31. 5:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels South, Cemeteries & Crematories
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San Antonio, TX 78214
(210) 924-4242
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Funeral Service

JUN 1. 10:00 AM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels South, Cemeteries & Crematories
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Interment

JUN 1 (CT)

Mission Burial Park South
1700 SE Military Dr.
San Antonio, TX 78214
<http://www.missionparks.com>

Tribute Wall



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Amanda Velasquez.*



May 30, 2019 at 02:52 PM



“ *Hilda & Ramiro Garza and Family purchased the Ringed by Love for the family of Amanda Velasquez.*



Hilda & Ramiro Garza and Family - May 29, 2019 at 08:50 PM



“ *Please know you have my deepest sympathy and my love as well, my prayers are with you in this time of sorrow. I consider myself blessed to have had your mom in my life.*

Although I will no longer see her or talk to her, she will live forever in my heart.

Love,

Tia Lolly

Lolly Garcia - May 29, 2019 at 07:37 PM

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“ *Diana Terrazas lit a candle in memory of
Amanda Velasquez*



Diana Terrazas - May 28, 2019 at 05:16 PM

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“ *Mom, was always there to help me and Chris we will miss you soo
much. We will always love u❤️.*

Diana Terrazas - May 28, 2019 at 12:15 PM