



Azalia Ybarra Hardy

February 4, 1943 - December 23, 2010

Azalia Ybarra Hardy passed away on Thursday, December 23rd, 2010 with her family by her side. She was born in San Antonio, Texas on February 4, 1943 to Velia and Jesse Ybarra. As a child she loved to dance and at six years old began performing with a ballet-folklorico group. An accomplished Flamenco dancer, she performed with the group for almost 15 years. After high school, she attended San Antonio College and St. Mary's University before starting two thriving floral shops. In addition to being a successful business owner, she devoted a great deal of time to sharing her knowledge. Azalia taught kindergarten, swimming, children's arts and crafts through Austin Parks and Recreation Department. Later, she taught English through the San Antonio Literacy Council and floral arranging for NEISD Continuing Community Education. Beyond teaching, Azalia contributed her leadership skills and tireless energy to many non-profit organizations. She was a 12-year member of the PTA on the local, state and national level. She was also the first PTA President of Montgomery Elementary School and later President of the Churchill High School PTA. Two of her other great passions were San Antonio's historic preservation and culture. For over 20 years, she was an active member of the San Antonio Conservation Society. Through the Society she served on various committees and in a number of leadership positions, including 13 years on the board of directors. In 2000 and 2001 she took on the role of NIOSA Chairman. Additionally, she was named as a Director on the Fiesta Commission and as Parade Chair for San Antonio Fencing Center. She

is survived by her devoted husband of 46 years, Roland J. Hardy; her son Roland Curtis Hardy, Megan Galloway; her sister and brother-in-law Luana Dr. David Hernandez; nephews Louie and Mario Hernandez, Trey, Trevor Taylor Hardy, Derrick, Lucas Barrios; grand nieces Twanya, Desi, Alycia, Erin, and Cheyenne Jesse Hernandez; Brother-in-law Gerorge T. Hardy and his wife Denise; Sister-in-law Gail Luna and her husband Henry.

Services

Visitation will be from 5 pm to 9 pm Tuesday, 28, 2010 at Mission Park Funeral Chapels South. Funeral services will be at 11: 00 am Wednesday, December 29, 2010 at the funeral home with entombment to follow in Mission Burial Park South Mausoleum.

Tribute Wall

CH

“ dear tio and cousin curtis:
its been so long since we all have seen you and miss you i wish i could have told tia how much i love but i know she knows and she made the stars beautiful and i hope to see you soon and have a rematch in fenching curtis! and

cheyenne hernandez - December 30, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ To my dear Tio and very best cousin Curtis::
I want you both to know that I am thinking of you and remembering the good times we shared together when the family and I made are big trip out to San Antonio too many years ago. From our walk in downtown S.A

Desiree Hernandez - December 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

IG

“ Dear Roland and family,
In the words of Albert Einstein, "Our death is not an end if we can live on in our children and the younger generation. For they are us. Our bodies are only wilted leaves on the tree of life". Azalia is alive in you and your son.

Ida Garcia - December 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LP

“ Roland and Curtis, It is with a heavy heart i write to you. Azalia was one of my all time favorite patients. She taught me many things through the years but i think the most important lesson came from seeing her will to get better no matter what illness s

LETICIA PORET - December 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ Roland and Curtis,
We are deeply saddend to hear of your loss. Azalia was loved and admired by everyone she encountered. Please accept our deepest condolences and regrets for not attending the services. Blanca is currently convalescencing a knee replace

Raymond & Blanca Flores - December 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CK

“ Roland and Curtis,
My sincere thoughts and prayers are with you all during this trying and difficult time. What a true Lady she was and always will be. Lisa remembers meeting her for the 1st time and she made her feel like she had always known her - sh

Cindy Candelario/Lisa Kimbro - December 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Curtis and Roland:
I am so sorry for your loss. I worked with Azalia at the Camelot school. Lost touch but never forgot her. Curtis you and my son Rod were such good buddies, we shared many laughs at your antics. God Bless

Mary Burke - December 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ We would like to express our sincerest, heartfelt condolences to the Hardy Family. Although we only knew Azalia a short time, she expressed a strong love of life and determination. She displayed a beautiful spirit of love and generosity for family. We'll

JoAnn&Cassandra Camarillo - December 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RR

“roland and curtis my condolences are with you azalia was a wonderful woman i thought of her often i was so happy to see you both at the produce market a few weeks ago may god bless you and may she rest in peace gods blessings ramiro rodriguez

romero rodriguez - December 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM

NC

“Roland and Curtis you have our deepest condolences, Azalia was a remarkable and strong woman with a big heart. She will be missed. But the memories you made well last forever. God Bless, Ruben and Norma Cantu and Family.

norma cantue - December 27, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CC

“Curtis...I am so sorry to hear about your Mom. Please accept my deepest condolences on your loss. I know what our Moms mean to us and I know what your Mom meant to you. Virginia and I will keep you in our prayers.

Charles Chavez - December 27, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JM

“We are so sorry for your great loss. She was a wonderful woman who loved you all dearly. We are so sorry that we will be out of town for her funeral. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Jose and Nancy Meza - December 27, 2010 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ Roland, my deepest sympathies go out to you and your family. Azalia became one of my greatest lights in my life. She didn't let anything slow her down and she was a tremendous inspiration to me. I wished to have seen you both more, but when I got to, it w

Melissa Lemons - December 27, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RL

“ Will always remember Azalia Hardy! A vibrant leader, an inspirational and amazing mother/wife and business person. I was part of the famed Camelot Dolphins 4th grade YMCA along with her son Curtis. She was our team "Mom" Curtis's Dad was our Coach whic

Raymond Leeper - December 27, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ My deepest condolences are expressed to the Hardy Family. Azalia was a great friend for so many years and our community is deeply indebted to her for her work in schools and in preserving our San Antonio community. I still can recall seeing her happy fac

State Senator Leticia Van de Putte - December 27, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ Azalia was an extraordinary woman who shared her life so willingly with so many. Her joyful spirit was ever present...and will remain with us, former members of the Mexican American Business and Professional Women's Club. God bless your family during th

Minnie Abrego-Sanchez - December 27, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ ROLAND,

*MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY, MAY YOU
HAVE STRENGTH AT THIS VERY DIFFICULT PERIOD OF YOUR
LIFE.*

*REMEMBER THE GOOD TIMES YOU BOTH
ENJOYED.*

SINCERELY, JOE F RODRIGUEZ

JOE F RODRIGUEZ - December 27, 2010 at 12:00 AM