



Carmen R. Mendez

June 14, 1934 - August 23, 2015

Carmen R. Mendez went to rest to be with the Lord on Sunday, August 23, 2015. She was born on June 14, 1934, and was preceded in death by her husband, Juan C. Mendez of 58 years. She was born in Robstown, Texas. She was preceded in death by her parents Inez and Concepcion Rodriguez, her brothers, Marcelino, Lupe, and Inez; as well as her granddaughter Daniella Cristina. Juan and Carmen moved to San Antonio from Robstown in the early 60's to expose their children to a city filled with colleges and universities. Her five children surrounded her with great love and care. She is survived by her children Terri Byers and her husband Jerry, Maggie Maldonado, Christine Salenga and her husband Rene, J.C. Mendez, and Robert Mendez, as well as numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren and her sister Lydia Ramon along with countless nieces and nephews. Carmen was a selfless mother and wife, always putting her family first and never wanting to inconvenience anyone. She helped and worked with her family in her youth as a migrant worker. She was the first in her family to graduate and attend college. Later, she worked as a bookkeeper and retired as a teacher's aide from Bonham Elementary. She greatly valued education and family; and found her greatest joy in having her family together. Carmen also helped other families in their celebrations by making wedding and quinceniera cakes. She had a strong faith and always reminded everyone that "Dios es muy grande", God is bigger than anything we have to deal with. Carmen's passing was as peaceful as she was, surrounded by love and

family.

Services

Family will welcome friends on Tuesday, August 25, 2015 beginning at 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm with a rosary recited at 7:00 pm at Mission Funeral Chapels North. A funeral mass will be held on Wednesday, August 26, 2015 at 10:00 am at St. Ann's Catholic Church, 210 St. Ann's St. San Antonio, TX 78201. Interment to follow at Mission Burial Park North.