



Catalina R. Cervantes

November 18, 1934 - November 11, 2020

Cathy Cervantes was born November 18th, 1934 as the youngest of three siblings, in San Antonio, Texas. She attended San Antonio schools and began working at an early age. When she was 17, she began working in manufacturing at The Texan. It was there that she met Frank Cervantes. When they married on December 8th, 1951, they began their lives together as the Cervantes Family. Frank and Cathy went on to celebrate 66 years of marriage before Frank's death in 2018.

Cathy and Frank were blessed with a daughter, Linda, who sadly was lost to pneumonia as an infant. They pressed on as a couple and eventually filled their southside home with three sons.

Cathy served as a guiding force in the family of men. She helped Frank in taking in and raising his two younger brothers all while caring for her own growing family. She guided her husband, recognizing career opportunities, and encouraged him to take on new goals.

When Frank began his career at Kelly Airforce Base, Cathy taught herself to sew and began her own business as a seamstress. She was well known amongst the local mothers and her sons' friends for her creativity in making dresses and gowns. She made dresses and outfits for local ballet folklorico dance groups and as her sons grew, began to sew for the Burbank High School drill team and band. She was a popular fixture among the Band

Boosters, PTA and always available to help with school plays. She was involved in her children's education and well known with the faculty and staff of Hillcrest Elementary, Harris Middle and Burbank High School.

In the early 90s, with her sons grown, Cathy found new purpose when she welcomed her grandson Andrew Cervantes and his sister Anastacia Valdespino into her home and her life. Frank and Cathy, now retired, wrapped their world around raising the kids. For both of them, it was a second chance. Frank now had the freedom from work to be involved in school events with the kids, and Cathy, who mourned the loss of her first born every day, was now given an opportunity to raise a beautiful, intelligent daughter. Their retirement years were happily filled with Andrew's band events and Anastacia's academic events and achievements.

She is preceded in death by her parents Vicente and Anita Rendon, brother Adolfo Casillas, sister Minnie Casillas, her beloved daughter Linda Marie Cervantes, and her other half Francisco G. Cervantes. She will be forever missed by her three sons Danny, Frank and Michael, Andrew M. Cervantes and Anastacia Valdespino and her grandchildren Brandy, Kelly, Daniel, Felicia, Esperanza, Alma, and Marcus as well as her great grandchildren, extended family and her best friends.

Cemetery Details

Chapel Hill Cemetery

Converse, TX

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **24**. 5:30 PM - 8:00 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

NOV **24**. 6:30 PM (CT)

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Funeral Service

NOV **25**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Tribute Wall



“ *Mission Park Funeral Chapels & Cemeteries created a Webcast in memory of Catalina R. Cervantes*



Mission Park Funeral Chapels & Cemetery - November 22, 2020 at 06:03 PM

LK

Condolences to the family, May the perpetual light shine upon Kata and lead her on her journey home.

Lorraine and Keno - November 24, 2020 at 08:46 PM

BR

“ *Sending heartfelt condolences for the loss of our Cathy. She had a beautiful, strong, kind soul. We are happy that we got to spend some time with Cathy at various family functions. She leaves a legacy of love and strength. Sending out our love to the family, Rob Valdespino and Brenda Rolon.*

Brenda Rolon - November 24, 2020 at 08:33 PM

CV

“ *To Cathy-a kind, selfless soul who touched the lives of so many. We are forever in your debt for being a Mom to our Missy. We will miss your warm, magnetic smile! Be at peace with your beloved Frank. All our love,
Chicky Valdespino & Family*

Chicky / Adrienne Valdespino - November 24, 2020 at 07:00 PM

MV

“ A PRAYER of THANKSGIVING for one of the greatest people to be thankful for.

Cathy,

You have been like a second mother to me, and you and Frank accepted me into into your home like a son so many years ago, helping me and guiding me like the great parents you are. I was so proud recently when you told me, “You know you are my son, right?” Whenever you told me thank you, I told you that you never ever had to thank me for anything because you’ve done so much for me and so much for our Missy and I am forever grateful to you! I love you so much and my heart is breaking to think about you being gone, but I am so glad that you are with Papo and you are at peace. I love you with all my heart. You have taught me so much. I will forever be your Peter Pan in my heart, but you also taught me how to grow up and it is one of the many, many things I thank you for! I love you, Mom!!

Martin

Martin Valdespino - November 24, 2020 at 01:33 PM



To Cathy one fun and witty mom like woman to me too, I'm finding out will miss EVERYTHING about you especially your wonderful scrumptious food, say hello to Mr. Cervantes your together again...R.I.P. your almost son and neighbor... ONE LOVE.

Rene Lopez - November 24, 2020 at 02:57 PM

LN

I'm so sad you are gone Tia.. But you with Uncle Frank and your sister and for that I'm happy.. I will miss you very much, watch over your kids from Heaven.. Hugs to Mama and Daddy and Grandma Anita and Weeta.. Love always Sissy..❤️❤️💜💜🌹🌹

Lu Ann Cantu (Niece) - November 24, 2020 at 06:36 PM

TT

“ *Traci, Bianca & Anneka & Tashina purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of Catalina R. Cervantes.*



Traci, Bianca & Anneka & Tashina - November 24, 2020 at 10:41 AM

VV

“ *Missy, Andrew, and the Cervantes Family--*

Please accept our most heartfelt condolences to you and the extended Cervantes Family, for the loss of your Mom. We have such wonderful memories of your Mom, all of them revolve around her always happy demeanor and involves some act of kindness as she was always giving of herself to help others. Our thoughts and prayers are with you as we fondly remember and are thankful for your Mom...she was always a shining example and role model of what it meant to be a “Mom” and enrich her family and community. We will long remember and miss her as will the many people she has touched over the years.

Vincent and Lupe Valdespino and the extended Valdespino Family

Vincent Valdespino - November 24, 2020 at 09:26 AM

VF

“ *Vincent & Lupe and the extended Valdespino Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Catalina R. Cervantes.*



Vincent & Lupe and the extended Valdespino Family - November 24, 2020 at 09:14 AM

MM

“ *Missy, Andrew & Martin purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of Catalina R. Cervantes.*



Missy, Andrew & Martin - November 24, 2020 at 07:58 AM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Michael Cervantes - November 23, 2020 at 06:10 PM

PB

“ *What you do for yourself dies with you
What you do for others lives for eternity*”

Tia,

You always did for others especially for me. It was you who clothed me for most of my youth. I remember walking to Cloth World or Winn's to pick out patterns and material so I had blouses for the new year at school. Then there were those days when we would go downtown to Sear's to shop and you would buy me popcorn or a candy apple. Other days we would spend times at Kress downtown and we ate at the basement then went to shop for more patterns. What Great! memories. You were like my 2nd Mom to me. You clothed me, you counsel me, you loved me, and for that I am so grateful. So when the opportunity aroused to heat your home I did. Just to give back a fraction of what you gave to me. I Love You! And you will always live in me for eternity. --Paula Bowen

Paula Bowen - November 19, 2020 at 12:24 PM

DB

“ *Danny Cervantes and family in New Braunfels purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Catalina R. Cervantes.*”



Danny Cervantes and family in New Braunfels - November 17, 2020 at 02:06 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Catalina R. Cervantes.



November 17, 2020 at 01:13 PM



“ I am deeply sadden by the loss of my Sister in Christ, “Catita”, whom I have known as family all my life.

She was an inspiring person and she always spoke so warmly of her three sons and grandchildren, who were the love of her life! After the passing of her husband Frank, we enjoyed daily phone visits of happier times gone by. I will miss her dearly. May you Rest In Peace my dear “Catita”!

Much love, Victoria “Toyita” Escobedo

Victoria “Toyita” Escobedo - November 15, 2020 at 08:58 PM