



Delfa Cervantes

February 24, 1931 - October 8, 2025

Our beloved and precious mother, Delfa Cervantes nee Saldana, passed away on October 8, 2025. She was born on February 24, 1931. She attended Sidney Lanier High School and Draughn's Business College. She worked for an attorney and then the Veterans Administration. After the birth of her first child, she resigned from her job to raise her children. Delfa and Oscar Cervantes were married for 65 years and had five children.

Delfa's Christian faith guided her life and throughout it she always exemplified love and kindness. She loved and raised her children with unconditional love. She always supported them in their school, sports and Girl/Boy Scouting activities. She was a blessing and encouragement to anyone who knew her. Delfa was a lifelong member of St. Cecilia's Church where she and her husband sang in the choir. She led a weekly prayer group for 20 years.

Delfa and her husband began making annual summer trips to the north beach of Corpus Christi when their children were toddlers. Our family enjoyed being in the waters of the Gulf, fishing and looking for seashells. The tradition continued when we took our Dad and Mom to Port Aransas with three generations of families enjoying the coast together. Delfa's grandchildren are continuing the tradition with annual trips to Port Aransas.

Delfa was preceded in death by her husband of 65 years, Oscar Sr., brothers Abraham, Sam, Daniel, Ricky, sisters Olga, Lucy, Alice, daughter-in-law Tonna Massey Cervantes, and her cherished nephew Alfred Rodriguez. Delfa was the last surviving child of the eight born to Daniel and Lucinda de Lozano Saldana, a proud Presbyterian family. Viva la Primera Iglesia Cristiana and the Inman Center which served families for generations. Delfa is survived by her children Mary Alice (Frederick) Hample, Oscar Jr., Stephen (Dawn), David, Eduardo, grandchildren Kristin (Robert) Sikora, Phillip (Kelly) Hample, Joy (Brandan) Presley, Hope (Taylor) Stakes, Jill, Claire (Brad) Tatum, five great grandsons and one great granddaughter.

We thank the community of St. Cecilia's Church for love and support and Mary Louise Garcia for communion visits to our mother. Our family thanks Crispina Gomez Castillo and Maria Nieto of Trinity Hospice for their constant compassionate care of our mother and their kindness and encouragement to her. We are grateful to Isabelle Sanchez and the nurses and staff at Morningside Manor in caring for our mother.

We are grateful to our mother for her example of being a godly woman, her incredible love and unforgettable memories she gave us. One memory is about our parent's kitchen table. From our childhood we sat at that table for everyday meals and celebrating special occasions. Laughter, love and joy were enjoyed in conversations among family, relatives, friends and neighbors.

Delfa's immensely loving spirit and beautiful energy will live on in all who knew her. We remember our mother by sharing the scripture she read at funerals for

loved ones and friends.

“I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day – and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing”

2 Timothy 4-7:8

Services: 9:00 am Reception, 10:00 am Rosary, 10:45 am Mass, St. Cecilia's Church,

125 W. Whittier St, San Antonio, Texas 78210

Following mass, procession to San Fernando Cemetery #3, 1735 Cupples Road, San Antonio, Texas 78226

Cemetery Details

San Fernando Cemetery #3

1735 Cupples
San Antonio, TX 78226

Previous Events

Rosary

OCT 15. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Cecilia Catholic Church
125 W. Whittier St.
San Antonio, TX 78210

Funeral Mass

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Tribute Wall

PH

“ 39 files added to the album Grams



Phillip - October 14, 2025 at 10:17 PM

JP

“ Jeananne and Penny purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Delfa Cervantes.



Jeananne and Penny - October 14, 2025 at 11:56 AM

JA

“ Josie & Doug Austin purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Delfa Cervantes.



Josie & Doug Austin - October 13, 2025 at 12:17 PM

MA

“ My name is Marina Zamora, and my Mom was Molly (Amalia) Cervantes Alvarado. Your Mom and Dad were two of the sweetest people. Whenever we met for whatever occasion, your Dad would always say I was just as beautiful as my Mom, and that I looked just like her. Your Mom would just smile and agree, I think your Mom was a woman ahead of her time, educated and in the workforce when many Hispanic women were not. I always admired that about her. May she rest in peace.

Marina - October 12, 2025 at 02:42 PM