



Dora Lopez Galvan

April 30, 1940 - November 24, 2024

Dora Lydia Lopez Galvan was born April 30, 1940, in Karnes City, TX. She passed away on November 24, 2024, in San Antonio, Texas, at the age of 84. Dora was the beloved daughter of Gilbert G Lopez and Sophia Ybarbo Lopez.

Dora is survived by her daughter and son in law, Marisa and Tim Protheroe, beloved grandchildren, Jacqueline Naranjo and Dexter Joaquin Protheroe, and great grandchildren, Jaylyn and Hilary Fiala. She leaves her sisters, Loulina Castillo, Janie Morin and Mary Wiggins, as well as a host of nephews, nieces, great grandchildren and friends. She is preceded in death by her parents, husband, Joaquin Medina Galvan, daughter, Denise Galvan Naranjo, and grandson, Jason Eli Fiala.

Dora graduated in 1959 from Karnes City High School. She moved to San Antonio soon after to pursue a career as a beautician but followed her heart and love interest to become a wife on November 26, 1970, and mother in January 1963. Her career involved 10+ years in the cable industry and 20+ years with QVC Home Shopping Network.

Dora was known for her cooking. It brought her great joy to feed the masses. Her sense of humor was unique, and her honesty was not for the fainthearted. She had an untiring commitment to help others in their time of need; and she never gave up hope that people could change despite their circumstances.

She loved a challenge and was fearlessly independent. Despite her health she continued to mow her yard and work tirelessly in her garden till the very end.

Our fondest memories of mom will be her love for the beach, walking the shores endlessly collecting sand dollars, gardening and enjoying classics from George Jones to Rod Stewart. We will all miss her in a special way, and she will forever be in our hearts.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, December 5th at Mission Park North at 3401 Cherry Ridge Drive, San Antonio, Texas, 78230 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., with a Rosary at 6:00pm. Mass will be Friday, December 6th at St. Matthew's Catholic Church at 10703 Wurzbach Road, San Antonio, Texas, 78230 at 10:00 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to The Salvation Army at [Donate to The Salvation Army](#) in Dora's memory.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 5. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels Cherry Ridge
3401 Cherry Ridge Dr
San Antonio, TX 78230
(210) 349-1414
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Rosary

DEC 5. 6:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels Cherry Ridge
3401 Cherry Ridge Dr
San Antonio, TX 78230
(210) 349-1414
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Funeral Mass

DEC 6. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Matthew Catholic Church
10703 Wurzbach Rd
San Antonio, TX 78230

Tribute Wall



“ I will always hear your laugh. remember your stories about my Dad and Joaquin and remember your advice on many important subjects. I can't even imagine the old neighborhood without you in it. Thank you always caring enough to come say hi everytime we were at moms and for always keeping a watchful eye. Until I see you again, you will forever be the missed.

Linda Flores - December 04, 2024 at 11:39 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Dora Lopez Galvan.



December 04, 2024 at 11:23 PM



“ Lydia Galvan lit a candle in memory of Dora Lopez Galvan



Lydia Galvan - December 03, 2024 at 05:57 PM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Josie Galvan - December 03, 2024 at 05:22 PM

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“ Josie Galvan lit a candle in memory of Dora Lopez Galvan



Josie Galvan - December 03, 2024 at 05:03 PM

JG

Dora is missed more than words can say... She was a blessing, and I will treasure the memories, love, and encouragement she brought. I am incredibly grateful for her thoughtfulness and support in every way possible. Dora will always be in my heart. Sending my heartfelt condolences to the entire family.

Josie Galvan - December 03, 2024 at 05:06 PM

JL

“ I met Dora 6yrs ago. Wish I had met her sooner. Such a beautiful lady. Really enjoyed her company and our talks. She will be missed.

Janie Langlois - December 01, 2024 at 10:16 PM

JL

“ I worked with Dora for many years. She was kind, caring and funny. May you rest in peace my friend.



Joe Lopez - December 01, 2024 at 07:21 AM

IP

I work with Dora at Qvc. She always say good morning and have a great day. She is going to be miss. I love you my friend.

Ivelisse Perez - December 03, 2024 at 08:03 AM

MM

“ Dora was my neighbor growing up on Overhill. She was the most giving person I knew. If she wasn't cooking her potato soup for us she was giving me some of her plants. She was one of my mom's best friends. She was always there for us throughout the difficult times as a kid. I will miss Dora tremendously. Her kind heart & the times we would just sit and talk about everything. I'll miss you Dora! Las quatas.

Marisol Menchaca - November 29, 2024 at 06:18 PM