



## Elvia R. Palacios

October 13, 1934 - January 16, 2026

Elvia R. Palacios passed away on January 16, 2026, at her home in San Antonio, Texas, surrounded by her loving family.

Elvia Ramona was born to parents George Peña and Carolina Talamantez on October 13, 1934, in Brackettville, Texas. Elvia grew up in Brackettville with her older brother Alfredo, who preceded her in death.

Elvia met the love of her life, Rolando Palacios, in San Antonio, Texas, while attending business college. They married on December 18, 1954. They raised their children Delma J. Soriano (Ruben), Roland R. Palacios (Mary Ann), Daniel and Donald Palacios (deceased August 1963), E. Yvette Herder (Wayne), Annette M. Palacios (Brooke), George J. Palacios (Tina) and Joel R. Palacios (Cindy) in their forever home in San Antonio.

Elvia's love of family extended to all her wonderful grandchildren: Freddy (Brandi), Roland (Sabrina), Scott, Cierra (Harrison), Maverick, Micah, Lauren (Aziz), Austin, Aaron, Alexis, Rio, Justice, Fuego, June, and her 11 amazing great-grandchildren.

Elvia actively participated in her children's and grandchildren's scholastic lives whether helping with homework, PTA meetings, festivals, sports events, fund raisers...anything for her family. She was always there and was bestowed the honor of Texas PTA Honorary Life Membership.

Family and friends were so important to Elvia, and she reached out often to check in, have a little "chisme", to remember birthdays and special events and just to say "¿que paso?".

In Brackettville, Elvia mastered the art of dressmaking from her aunts and high school classes and carried that creative skill with her as a young homemaker and fashioned most of her children's clothing including rubber pants with fancy lace. Did we mention her extraordinary cooking and baking skills? Well for all of us who know, it was delicious – cakes and pastries, pasta salad and famous potato salad, fideo loco and menudo, tamales and carne guisada and so much more! Every bite, every morsel was filled with love! Elvia was so creative and skilled she mentored a group of Harlandale High School students with Home Economic classes in the 1980s. Elvia, along with a group of very dear and dedicated friends, decorated St. Leo the Great Catholic Church for its special occasions.

For all her in-laws, nieces and nephews, godchildren, cousins, friends and cohorts that are not named, please know that she loved you all and spoke of you often with stories that her children carry forward. From us, we want you to know how grateful we are that you were a part of her long and remarkable life. Our family would like to extend our appreciation to Embrace Hospice and especially Nurse Tomás Berry for their care of our mom Elvia.

In lieu of flowers, you may make a memorial contribution to St. Leo the Great Catholic Church, 119 Octavia Pl., San Antonio, TX 78214 or to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. <https://www.stjude.org/>

# Cemetery Details

## Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery

1520 Harry Wurzbach Rd.  
San Antonio, TX 78209

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 4. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels South  
1700 SE. Military Dr.  
San Antonio, TX 78214

## Rosary

FEB 4. 6:30 PM (CT)

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1700 SE. Military Dr.  
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## Funeral Mass

FEB 5. 9:30 AM (CT)

St Leo The Great Catholic Church  
4415 S Flores St  
San Antonio  
San Antonio, TX 78214

## Committal Service

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FEB 5. 11:15 AM (CT)

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1520 Harry Wurzbach Rd  
San Antonio, TX 78209  
(210) 820-3891

# Tribute Wall

BM

“ I will always remember how kind and caring Mrs. Palacios was to me. She treated me with such warmth and kindness, and that left a lasting impression on my heart. I will remember her forever, especially the love she shared through her amazing cooking. Her pasta salad, potato salad, sweet tea, and of course her Thanksgiving dressing and gravy. I have tried duplicating her recipes so many times. Her kindness will always be a cherished memory.

Rest with the angels Mrs. Palacios. 🙏❤️

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**Barbara Mata** - February 03 at 12:18 AM

DJ

“ Mom Elvia thank you for having made Ruben's German Chocolate cake for our wedding so many years ago. We know though his absolute favorite of your cakes was Strawberry Jello Whipped Cream, he loved it! My favorite memory of your cakes was the Valentine Doll you created in Del Rio for my birthday...such creativity & ingenuity to fashion the tiered cake dress and decor it with cinnamon red heart candies! It was beautiful...just as you are in my heart. Your body is at rest and you are at peace, thank you for being my mom.

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**delma j** - February 01 at 11:03 AM



“ <https://youtu.be/YF6b4pUD184>

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**Annette Palacios** - January 29 at 06:02 PM

EM

“ Heartfelt sympathies and gratitude for the nurturing and loving role you played in Freddy, Roland and Scott's lives. Whoever said "There is no place like home, except Grandma's" had you in mind. With all the changes in their lives, your home and heart were always a place of affection, security and joy.

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**Emerald McClaugherty** - January 29 at 05:01 PM

LG

“ Our heart aches for you during this incredibly difficult time. The news of your mother's passing has left us with a heavy heart and a deep sense of sadness. She was truly a remarkable woman who touched the lives of so many, including ours.

We will always cherish the memories of her warmth and kindness. She treated us as an extension of the family and we shared many special moments together, especially the many Thanksgiving celebrations. I can still hear her laughter and feel her love surrounding us.

I will never forget the time she jokingly refused to share her pineapple cake recipe with me because she was afraid I would sell it. Her sense of humor and generosity were truly one of a kind. She always made sure we felt welcome and were treated as one of the family.

Your mother was an extraordinary woman who left a lasting impact on all who knew her. Her presence will be greatly missed, but her spirit will live on in the memories we hold dear. Please know that we are here for you, to offer our support and love during this difficult time. May her memory be a blessing and may you find comfort in the love that surrounds you.

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**Lisa and Julie Graf** - January 28 at 02:36 PM

MM

“ *Mr. & Mrs. Palacios were wonderful neighbors to our parents. My children loved them both. Mrs. Palacios had cookies for my children when they were at my parents house. When my mother had her hip removal surgery she would bring over cookies or cakes. We will miss her very much. She is resting now in God's mighty arms. 🙏🙏*

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**Mary A Martin** - January 27 at 09:50 PM

LG

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**Lisa and Julie Graf** - January 28 at 02:33 PM

JE

*I will miss going out to eat we loved to try different restaurants and she loved to eat her mushrooms I will miss her dearly she used to say I was like her the sister she never had we did a lot together . Here family meant the world to her . I'll miss you.*

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**Jeanie Esparza** - February 01 at 02:49 PM