



## Emilia Zavala Mendez

October 6, 1926 - March 18, 2014

Emily Z. Mendez lived all the days of her life as a giver. Born on October 6, 1926, she was called home on March 18th, 2014, to be reunited with her beloved husband Tomas Mendez. She is preceded in death by her parents Luis and Eulalia Zavala and step grandson Paul V. Valadez. She is survived by her son Tom Mendez and daughter Diana Valadez Joseph and her sister Janie Gutierrez and Brother Phillip Zavala, 12 grandchildren and numerous great grandchildren and her precious dogs "Baby" and "Doug". Emily was selfless and adored by all who met her. She raised many children with joy and grace. She was a spiritual pillar of her Catholic religion. It is only fitting but not surprising that she passed during Holy time. Our grandma always carried Holy water with her and blessed everyone and anyone! Although our grandmother lost her battle to breast cancer, she won the race to eternal life. Her sweet voice and gentle spirit will live with us forever -- until we see her again in Heaven.

A family viewing will be from 12:00 to 5:00 PM, March 24th, Alamo Funeral Home. Rosary will be at St. Thomas More, 4411 Moana Dr., San Antonio, TX 78218, at 7:00 PM. Mass will be at 9:45 AM, St. Thomas More, March 25th. A funeral precession to Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery will follow.