



Gloria Gonzales Martinez

December 11, 1941 - August 27, 2025

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Gloria G. Martinez was born in Cuero, Texas. She moved to San Antonio and worked at

the Shangrela Restaurant waitressing. One of the customers, Andrew B.

Martinez (also

known as Andy), would frequent the restaurant and purposely sit in the area

Gloria

attended. Before long, they fell in love and married on June 11, 1967. Shortly after,

their home was filled with a family. Six boys and one girl.

Gloria was well known for her delicious food. Gloria and Andy poured their hearts and

energy working in their homemade trailer food booth. They were always invited to work

at the Rancho del Charro, and Floresville Peanut Festival, but mostly they worked out of

their backyard selling flautas, gorditas, and tamales to their loyal customers.

In Gloria's

spare time, she dedicated herself to perfecting her homemade salsa and food.

She

kept a detailed appointment book tracking her orders, dates, and of course the

money

owed to her for her hard work.

Not only was Gloria a true entrepreneur, always thinking of ways to make a dollar, but

she was ahead of her time. She was the only vendor for many years selling cascarones

and Easter baskets on Roosevelt Street. One year, others caught on to the money-

making idea and Gloria suddenly had competition. True to her fighting spirit, Gloria

would never back down from a match. She secretly sends one of her children to

pretend they were interested in buying from the competitor just to find out their prices.

She would then lower her price to offer her customers a deal they couldn't refuse.

Ultimately selling out of her product.

Gloria was a fiercely protective mother. A real lioness when protecting her grandchildren. Her loyalty was absolute, and she was always there to offer straightforward support and candid advice whether you asked for it or not.

She is preceded in death by her son Anthony Martinez and her beloved husband Andrew B.

Martinez. She is survived by her children, Joe, Roy, Ernest, Andrea, Roland, Andy, 21 grandchildren, and 22 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her son Anthony Martinez and her beloved husband Andrew B. Martinez. Gloria will be missed by those who loved her dearly.

Cemetery Details

Mission Burial Park South

1700 SE Military Dr.
San Antonio, TX 78214
<http://www.missionparks.com>

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 8. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Brookehill Funeral Home
711 SE Military Dr
San Antonio, TX 78214
(210) 923-7523
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Rosary

SEP 8. 6:00 PM (CT)

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711 SE Military Dr
San Antonio, TX 78214

Funeral Mass

SEP 9. 10:00 AM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall



“ *Brenda Trevino & Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Gloria Gonzales Martinez.* ”



Brenda Trevino & Family - September 07, 2025 at 05:00 PM



“ *Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Gloria Gonzales Martinez.* ”



September 06, 2025 at 10:02 PM



“ *From, Outreach Clerks purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Gloria Gonzales Martinez.* ”



From, Outreach Clerks - September 06, 2025 at 07:03 PM

GH

“ My condolences to the Martinez family Gloria was my godmother I will forever miss her I have memories of us going to someone ranch picking strawberries riding horses we had so much fun when we were little she was my godmother and my brother Jacob I remember riding horses and picking big strawberries we laughed she showed me how to pick strawberries I love you forever my dearest godmother thank you for the memories I will forever have in my heart ❤️ you had a beautiful smile a beautiful loving heart always smiling telling me u love me I still remember u and my godfather the love u both gave me .thank u ❤️ give him a big hug from me tell him I love him ...❤️ u are with the love of your life my godfather Andy ..rip my dearest godmother Gloria my mother named me after u thank u for our beautiful name love u both rip



Gloria Hernandez - September 05, 2025 at 10:12 AM

SG

“ Heavenly Father, please bring comfort and peace to my friend Aundrea who is grieving the loss of her dear mother. May your grace be a source of strength and solace for her and her family.. In Jesus name, Amen .



Sarah Gamboa - August 30, 2025 at 10:43 PM

AM

“ Grandma, Thank you for the all rhe memories I have. You taught me how to make money, showed me how to cook and bake. Even though you keep your recipes a secret! 😊. I will always remember your red hair and your red Lipy stick (like you called it). Thank you taking care of me always, when I was a sick child. I love you. ❤️

Amy Martinez - August 30, 2025 at 02:21 PM

EG

Thank you Tia elda for all our memories and laughs and talks we had I treasure them now your with your family that have gone before you now you laugh that beautiful smile and smirk thank you for all the memories you will be greatly missed rip my condolences to the Martinez family and to Andrea jalea and to roly and ratcha and to Roy Joe and Ernest God bless from Edward and poyito love you all

Edward Anthony Gonzales - September 06, 2025 at 06:42 AM

LC

“ *May the love and support of those around you bring you comfort. My heartfelt sympathies to you and your family.*



Liza Ceinos - August 29, 2025 at 04:59 PM

EB

“ *Elida Bosmans lit a candle in memory of Gloria Gonzales Martinez*



Elida Bosmans - August 29, 2025 at 02:55 PM

EB

May she Rest in Peace and rejoice in the Lord's presence. My most sincere condolences and may God's grace give you strength and comfort in this difficult time.

Elida C. Bosmans - September 08, 2025 at 08:53 AM