



Gloria L. Valdez

December 29, 1937 - September 25, 2020

Gloria L. Valdez, 82, of San Antonio, Texas passed away, September 25, 2020 after complications from a lengthy battle with cancer.

She was born to parents Augustine and Antonia Lozano on December 29, 1937 in San Antonio, Texas. She was a graduate of the original Fox Tech High School.

She was preceded in death by her parents Augustine and Antonia Lozano, husband Roberto Sandoval, son Robert Sandoval Jr., and husband Tony Valdez.

She is survived by son Roland Sandoval (Jackie), brother Augustine Lozano Jr. (Suzie), grandson Nathan Alexander Sandoval, niece Suzie Talty (Michael), nephew Gus Lozano III, cousins, family, and friends.

Gloria was a loving mother and beloved grandmother. She was a proud descendent of the Lozano and Cardenas family trees and enjoyed her time with numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins. She was the ultimate room mom and active in both her son's schools serving from the PTA to the Edison Band Booster organizations. She loved social dances, bunco game nights, family reunions, BBQs with neighbors, Mexican Telenovelas, and following her son's journeys in theater and music. Even in her 70's and 80's Gloria would attend her son's football games, marching contests, and concerts when he was the band director at Sandra Day O'Connor High School and his recent graduate work with the UTSA bands. She loved to travel to Chicago to visit her immediate family that owned Mexican Bakeries called El Nopal that was run

by her uncle, aunt, cousin, parents, and brother. She grew up working in the families Jalisco Bakeries in San Antonio.

Gloria was epic in her style and taste developed by years of work at Marshall Fields. She also served and retired from serving as a teacher's aide from the Little Flower Catholic School and SAISD. Her most important job was grandmother to Nathan. She got to help as "Memo" Day Care when she retired, and Nathan was born. She was so proud of his tremendous accomplishments in the academic classroom and never missed any of his school plays, ceremonies, football game performances as a member of the Antonian HS Band and his years as a drum major. She also watched the Texas Tech games on TV hoping to get a glance of the Goin' Band from Raiderland as Nathan's number one fan. By the time he got to Tech she could not travel but always followed every step on his next journey.

We will miss her passion for Christmas decorations, her backseat driving, her homemade meals dropped off after long school days, her style and fashion sense, her joy for good caldo, her favorite margaritas and trips to her favorite Mexican restaurants, her calling about shark attacks before a beach trip, her pride for our family, her beautiful smile and heart. She lived a wonderful 82 years and was so strong at the end for all of us and guided us so we could find peace. Thanks must be given to her brave health care providers that gave us as much time with her as could be given, Jackie for her care and many trips to doctor's offices and those that prayed for her healing. She is healed in God's hands. In lieu of flowers we ask you to make a charitable donation to your favorite cause in her name.

Funeral arrangements: Alamo Funeral Chapel

ALL SERVICES will be held at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church on 1710 Clower in San Antonio, TX on Thursday October 8th, 2020 (Please make note of church social distancing and mask wearing guidelines)

Visitation: 10 – 11 AM at church

Rosary: 11-11:30 AM at church

Mass in celebration of her life: 11:30 AM-12:30 PM at church

Burial: 2 PM Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery (Due to Covid 19 restrictions at Ft. Sam Houston the burial is a private immediate family ceremony)

Cemetery Details

Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery

1520 Harry Wurzbach
San Antonio, TX 78209

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 8. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church
Clower Street
San Antonio, TX 78201

Rosary

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Mass

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Tribute Wall

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“*Roland and Jackie. we would like to express our sincere condolences to you and your family. May your memories give you peace and comfort. Our thoughts and prayers are with you, your mother "Gloria" my sister in law was always there if you needing anything or just to talk about the old days. We will miss her beautifully decorated home and the delicious breakfast's and lunch dates.*

Daniel and Maggie Valdez

Daniel Valdez Valdez - October 07, 2020 at 07:25 PM

CV

“*Charlie and Patsy Villarreal purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Gloria L. Valdez.*



Charlie and Patsy Villarreal - October 07, 2020 at 04:33 PM

CV

“*Roland, sending our deepest condolences to you, Jackie and Nathan. Knowing your mother for so many years, she always had this great smile and was full of energy with her actions and such enthusiasm when she spoke. She truly had a passion for life and family. May God be with the family during this time and may your mother rest in peace my long time friend.*

Charlie Villarreal

Carlos Villarreal - October 06, 2020 at 04:36 PM

VA

“ My most sincere condolences to Roland, Jackie and Nathan. Every memory I have of Nathan’s grandmother is of her in the football stands. Football stands are not easy to navigate. I was always searching for a handrail - yet Nathan’s grandmother was always in her spot on time at every game and performance wearing school spirit gear with a button pictures of her wonderful grandson. A couple of times she shared her popcorn with me. She had the best snacks in her purse. She was so proud of Nathan and Mr Sandoval. I am honored to have known her and her family. My faith says she is at peace and in Heaven. She truly was a great band memo.

Veronica Anaya - October 02, 2020 at 12:50 AM

FJ

“ God Bless my cousin Gloria. She is missed. Gloria said my mom was a second mother to her. God bless her family. My deepest condolences.

Frank Bonilla, Jr. - September 30, 2020 at 06:18 PM