



Jesse Tamayo Diaz

July 13, 1929 - December 26, 2014

Jesse Diaz, 85, was called by the Lord in his home with his family on December 26, 2014. Jesse was born to Tomas and Lucia Tamayo Diaz at their home in San Antonio on July 13, 1929. He is preceded in death by his daughter Alicia Diaz, brother Tom Diaz, sister Eugenia Diaz and many lifelong friends. He is survived by his wife Amparo Diaz, daughter Virginia Diaz-Laughlin and husband David Laughlin, sisters Louise Perales and Rachel Molly Luna, two granddaughters and numerous nieces and nephews. He was especially fond of his godson Eddie and wife Carmon de la Garza, especially their son Elliott, who refers to him as Grandpa.

Jesse grew up near South Side Circle Neighborhood where he met the love of his life, only he did not know it till much later. Jesse attended San Antonio Public Schools where he would regularly take Amparo's lunch money and bus ticket. Jesse and Amparo were married February 5, 1955, almost 60 years ago. He served 2 years in the Army after graduating from South San Antonio High School. Jesse worked with his dad and brother as carpenters upon returning to San Antonio, then as a General Contractor for over 50 years. He built several San Antonio Credit Unions, houses all over South Texas, and La Carreta Restaurant in Laredo, Texas. He also built Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini Church in 1981 in Villa Coronado in San Antonio, which he was very proud of. In 1954 Jesse and Amparo built their first house themselves on Elks St. In 1970 he built Amparo and his dream house on Cindy Sue Way in McCreless Meadows. He built many other houses in McCreless Meadow and

lived there until he passed. He was well known in the neighborhood and was a regular at Judy's Café on Roosevelt. Jesse was very active and held many offices as a Charter Member of South Side Lions Club, including President in 1996-1997. Jesse had a passion for hunting and fishing, and was one of the last members of the Tejas Rod and Gun Club. He made many trips to Colorado hunting and fishing. He also spent a lot of time on the Texas Gulf Coast fishing with his family. He loved wade fishing trips with Ernest Ledesma to Corpus. Somehow he would always catch more fish than any one on the boat, but never got out of the boat.

The Family wishes to thank Dr. Karl Hempel, Terry Sepeda care giver, the staff at Nix Hospital and New Century Hospice for their support, friendship and service.

Visitation will be 5:00pm on Tuesday, December 30, 2014 followed by the Rosary at 7:00pm at Mission Park Funeral Chapels South. A Funeral Mass will be held in Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini Church, 1606 San Casimiro, San Antonio 78214, at 11:00am on Wednesday, December 31, 2014 with interment to follow at Mission Burial Park South.

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