



## Leonor C. Chapa

May 10, 1916 - September 1, 2013

Leonor Cortez Chapa, 97, of Findlay, passed away at 5:45 p.m. on Sunday, September 1, 2013, at Fox Run Manor in Findlay, Ohio surrounded by her loving family.

Leonor was born on May 10 1916 in Echo, Texas to the late Juan and Maria Reza Cortez.

On May 30, 1937 Leonor married Domingo R. Chapa at San Alfonso Catholic Church in San Antonio, Texas.

Leonor helped to raise her siblings at the age of seven, and learned to make her famous tortillas at the age of five.

At the age of twelve, Leonor worked the cotton fields pulling 500-600 lbs of cotton a day. She met her future husband picking cotton side by side in West Texas.

Leonor took care of her brother, Procopio until his death at the age of twenty-one.

She loved to dance. When she turned 95 she danced for an hour at her birthday party.

Leonor was known as the best cook in the family. Everyone that would visit her home would be fed a meal.

She had many family and friends. Everyone called her "Mama".

Leonor is survived by her children, Rudolph "Rudy" Josie Chapa, of Findlay, Leonardo "Lonnie" Chapa, of Rudolph, Consuelo "Connie" Chapa, of Findlay, and Elida "Ellie" Errol Guinn, of Findlay; 12 grandchildren; 17 step-grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; 17 step-great grandchildren; 6 great-great-grandchildren; and a sister, Feliz Cortez Bernal. Leonor was preceded in death by her husband on June 15, 2001, Domingo; brothers, Juan Francisco, Pedro, Procopio, Luis, Antonio, Jesus, and Guadalupe; and a sister, Maria.