



Magdalena T. Arguello

December 29, 1917 - July 29, 2022

Magdalena Tarnava Arguello entered into her eternal rest on July 29, 2022 at the age of 104 years old. She is preceded in death by her husband, Armando G. Arguello and her two sons, Guadalupe Arguello, Alfonso T. Arguello, and Daughter-In-Law Lucia Arguello. Magdalena is survived by her children, Armando, Margarita, Mary Ann (Homero) , and Mercedes (Javier), as well as 12 grandchildren, great grandchildren and great-great grandchildren.

Magdalena lived her entire life in San Antonio, Texas where she was born on December 29, 1917. She was the youngest child of Cayetano and Concepcion Tarnava. Magdalena was a graduate of Sidney Lanier High School, Class of 1938. She married her neighborhood sweetheart, Armando, in 1941. They went on to raise their family in the heart of San Antonio's historic Westside.

Magdalena applied her knowledge and sense of duty to improve conditions in her community through her advocacy and activism in organizations such as COPS (Communities Organized for Public Service.) She was active in the Democratic Party and made it a point to vote in every election. Magdalena believed strongly in the power of education and was one of the first teachers hired to work for Headstart. She loved educating and caring for children in economically deprived areas of San Antonio. Later in life, she worked in

Senior Centers caring for the elderly.

Magdalena had many interests including gardening, art, sewing, flower arranging, raising canaries, and cooking. Her love of nature was limitless, a love she passed on to her family. Magdalena had an eye for fashion and enjoyed coordinating her outfits. She was particularly fond of pastels and floral prints.

Her ingenuity and creativity were well known among her many friends. Magdalena endured and overcame many hardships in her life. However, her Catholic faith and devotion to St. Jude never wavered. She will be remembered as an empowered woman with a vision to improve the community through education. We will always carry her memory in our hearts.

Cemetery Details

Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery

1520 Harry Wurzbach
San Antonio, TX 78209

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 18. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Palm Heights Mortuary
3711 S Zarzamora St
San Antonio, TX 78225
(210) 924-4568
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Rosary

AUG 18. 6:30 PM (CT)

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3711 S Zarzamora St
San Antonio, TX 78225
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Mass

AUG **19**. 10:00 AM (CT)

San Juan de los Lagos Catholic Church
3231 El Paso St.
San Antonio, TX 78207

Tribute Wall

DJ

“ Our condolences to all of my Padrino Mando's descendants. May my Tia Rest In Peace. The Arguello Clan is now missing another one of its' key elders.

David G Arguello Jr - August 18, 2022 at 11:24 PM

PS

“ Poncho, Victoria, Blanca & Shawn purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Magdalena T. Arguello.



Poncho, Victoria, Blanca & Shawn - August 17, 2022 at 08:50 PM

AC

“ My condolences to the family. Gone but never forgotten. May she Rest In Peace.

Adrian Caballero

Adrian Caballero - August 17, 2022 at 08:12 AM

SD

“ I remember my beautiful tia as a teacher for one of my twins, Eugene, at Head Start. I will always keep my tia in my heart, love you ❤️

Sylvia Delgado - August 16, 2022 at 01:19 PM

MA

Thank you. She always spoke so fondly of her "little ones" at HeadStart.

Mercedes Argüello Aguirre - August 16, 2022 at 01:29 PM