



Maria Estela and Yolanda Pura de la Garza

MARIA ESTELA DE LA GARZA

Maria Estela de la Garza Stella, beloved aunt, was born in San Antonio, TX on January 12, 1923 to Francisco de la Garza and Candelaria Castellanos de la Garza. She peacefully entered into rest on February 6, 2012. Stella started her career in nursing at the age of 13. She trained under the guidance of Dr. Daniel Saenz who paid for her to achieve her LVN from the Robert B. Greene Hospital. She worked for Dr. Saenz at his clinic until he retired, then went on to work for Dr. Edward Ximenes at the Poly Clinic later the San Saba Clinic for over 25 years. In all, her nursing career lasted almost 50 years. She moved to the Rio Grande Valley after she retired then moved back to San Antonio in 2005. Stella's entire life was devoted to nursing and to caring for her entire family, including her parents, sisters, and nieces and nephews. Her love and care spanned four generations.

YOLANDA PURA DE LA GARZA

Yolanda Pura de la Garza, beloved aunt, was born in San Antonio, TX on May 26, 1930 to Francisco de la Garza and Candelaria Castellanos de la Garza. She joined her sister in Heaven on February 11, 2012. At an early age, Yolanda moved to Monte Morelos, Mexico with her parents. During her years in Mexico, Yolanda helped her mom and dad with their orange crops and worked at the family business, the Santa Fe Inn. She moved to San Antonio in her thirties and worked at Weiner News. Rheumatoid arthritis forced her to

retire at an early age. She lived the remainder of her years with her caring sister, Stella. Stella and Yolanda were preceded in death by sisters Alice Morales, Hortense Herrera, and Emma Muniz. They are survived by sisters Eudelia Garza Joe and Melida Gonzalez, and numerous nieces and nephews. A memorial service will be held at St. Gregory the Great Catholic Church on Saturday, March 3, 2012 at 11:00 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested donations be made to the National Arthritis Research Foundation.