



Maria Rosalva Garcia

February 20, 1957 - October 15, 2008

Garcia

Maria Rosalva Garcia born on February 20, 1957 in Laredo, Texas went to be with the Lord on October 15, 2008 at the age of 51 years. Maria was a beloved wife, mother, aunt, daughter and friend. All who came to know her were enriched by her presence in their lives. She was an avid gardener which brought her much joy and solace. In turn her garden will now do the same for those who are left behind. She was also a graduate of the class of 1975 from McCollum High School. She is preceded in death by her brother, Javier Castañeda. She is survived by her beloved husband, David A. Mata; daughters, Chloe and Tia Mata; parents, Javier and Porfiria Garcia; sister, Maria Rosario Hernandez; nephew, Julian Hernandez; numerous aunts, uncles and cousins. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions can be made in Maria's memory to the American Diabetes Association www.Diabetes.org/diabetesdonate .

Tribute Wall

CH

“ *Chio sent a virtual gift in memory of Maria Rosalva Garcia*



chio - February 16, 2017 at 09:29 AM

CH

Well Chia, thank god Theresa is finally back in San A, I've been praying for that one for a while truth be told since you left I knew she would be a great addition to the family. And lil Miss Aubrie is a Joy(get it!) to have around. She and Jake are a perfect pair. Oh yea and Yaya got married I have not met him yet, but I will soon I know your as happy for her as I am. I wish still you and mom could have been at Tia's wedding, she looked beautiful and she did a great job with her hair and makeup, In my perfect world you would have been there for both your girls weddings, We all had that same wish...I wish..I wish...I wish.. Okay so mijo is doing well on this new treatment chia he coughs a lot due to the size of the tumor, it's hard for him chia he needs to talk to you Im sure he puts on a strong face but I know he is tired of the rat race, heck who could blame him anyway you know the rest. Dad well the disease will win at the end unless he skips town on it then Dad will win. that's what I'm praying for, for Dads sake. David seems well thanks to God and you. You have two wonderful son in laws, each perfect in his own way and they truly love our girls. Josh is always working on our yard, it looks so great chia wish you were here for that too you would have offered up so many ideas. I wonder at times if you miss me as much as I still miss you, and thanks for visiting me the other night in my dream, you and I didn't miss a beat its just like we were never apart. I know you are always just a call away for us all, any time,any place you'll come to us. Im counting on it. bye for know, call me when you can.in a perfect World, Love Chio

chio - February 16, 2017 at 10:00 AM

CH

“ *Chio lit a candle in memory of Maria Rosalva Garcia*



chio - February 14, 2017 at 10:39 AM

VH

“ *Maria Rosalva Garcia*

Valerie Hernandez - May 06, 2009 at 12:00 AM

VH

“ *Chia,
I'm here think of you and missing you alot. I wish you were here so I
can talk to you. I hope you are taking care of you garden from
heaven.
Love you & miss so much!!!!*

Valerie Hernandez - May 06, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ *-The Day God Called You Home-*

*God looked around his Garden and found an empty place.
He then looked down upon his earth and saw your loving face.*

*He put his arms around you and lifted you to rest.
His Garden must be beautiful, he always takes the*

Chloe - February 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ Hey Chia
How are you doing up there? As if I have to ask. Things here, well they are what they are there's no changing that. But at least I know that you're happy and busy and learning lots of new things, I can hardly wait to see you so you can show me aro

Chio - January 13, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ Hey Chia
Congrats your grandson is beautiful and thank you for the help with Chloe and Enzo in the hospital, we all know that was you at work. We all miss you very much I know you'll continue to protect your family as you promised your sister Chio, I

chio - December 22, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ Chole,

May you and your family find peace during this difficult time. God bless you.

Stephanie Mata - November 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ *My condolences to the family of Maria Rosalva Garcia. May God comfort and bless all of you in His infinite wisdom.*

Diane Bush - October 28, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ *I always thought of Maria as a sister & I hope she thought the same of me. Most of my memories of Maria are of her being one step behind the rest of us, but at the same time she always had great wisdom to share. She pushed me to become a better person and*

Theresa Mata - October 24, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ *David, Chloe & Tia*

I never thought Maria would leave us so soon. But God had other plans for Maria probably to help in His garden. Maria was a strong, loving & outgoing person who LOVED her family and this is what she would want us take out of this loss.

Cathy Gonzalez - October 22, 2008 at 12:00 AM

UJ

“ *As an Alumni of McCollum high school and not knowing that much about Maria , but getting to know her through these writings I want to send my condolences and prayers for the entire family. May she rest in peace!*

Ulanda Anderson Johns - October 22, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JO

“ *Maria always made me feel so welcomed. She really made me feel part of the family. I will never forget her laugh and her smile. I am blessed for just knowing Maria.*

Joey - October 22, 2008 at 12:00 AM

AZ

“ David,Chloe,Tia, When someone close to us dies, we need a long period of time to work through our grief. Crying and sharing our feelings with others helps us recover and go on with life. Allow yourself and others the freedom to grieve over the loss of

Alan,Rebecca,Krista,Jaclyn Zuniga - October 21, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RO

“ Tia,Chloe and David
When you girls were born I thought that the hardest thing you would ever have to experience would be a skinned knee,a tummy ache,maybe a teenage heartache or two. David the only time I thought I'd ever see you cry was when you would w

rosario - October 21, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DZ

“ My dearest friend Maria,
I wanted to let you and your family know that you have my greatest sympathy. My heart is truly saddened by your loss. I know that your twin sister's passing will not only leave a huge void in your life, but in the hearts of all

Donna Zapata - October 21, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ God Bless you dear Cousin...please know that your family and all your loved ones will always miss you and never forget you. May you Rest in Peace.

Strong thru Jesus Christ,

Rachel

Rachel Garcia - October 21, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SO

“ Dear David, Chloe and Tia,
I was so saddened to hear of your loss. My thoughts and prayers go out to you all at this time. I hope you will stay close to your friends and family and loved ones in your time of sorrow. My deep condolences for you all in yo

Sundance Metelsky Oehser - October 21, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DZ

“ You will be missed a great deals. Sorry we are unable to attend. We send our love, prayers, and heart felt sorrow. We will miss you dearly. God Speed Cousin.

Dean, Gina, Leland and Logan Zuniga - October 21, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you all at this most difficult time.

When at my grandparents house, I always knew there would be smiles and laughing when she was to arrive!!!

*God Bless!
With Love,
Shawna Quenneville Smith*

Shawna Quenneville Smith - October 20, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ *David, Tia & Chloe,
Light a candle for her we mourn.
Into a new life she will be born.
Do not look for her at the gravesite.
She will be somewhere else radiating her beautiful light.
She has gone to a new world there is no darkness, no pain.
Her ligh*

SANDY SMITH - October 20, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ *I am saddened to hear the loss of another McCollum classmate.
May the Lord's strength be with your family during this time.*

Jaime Casarez - October 20, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ *David and Tia,
My sincerest condolences to you and your family. Maria was a
beautiful person, who will be missed dearly. I am glad you all have
so many great memories to reflect on. Blessing to you all!*

Debra Porter - October 20, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ *our prayers and thoughts are with you during your time. May god
bless you...*

cissy landez - October 20, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to you David, Chloe and Tia in your time of need and mourning. Your Wife/Mom was a true blessing on Earth. She brought so much joy and happiness to those who knew her and were around her. Even though she is not with us ph

Joey Lopez - October 20, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ For the family and friends of Maria,

I worked with Maria at SW General Hospital for many years. We often shared stories of our children , how we wanted to decorate our homes, gardening, what ever there was to talk about Maria always had a view point.

Leslie Saucedo - October 20, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ Now Earth is her garden, Every time we see a flower we will know she was here, Every time we see a new tree growing we will know she helped it grow strong, Every time we see a plant flourish we know she tended to it, she will never stop gardening, because

Julian Antonio Hernandez II - October 20, 2008 at 12:00 AM

PT

“ Maria,
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven cannot heal. May the Lord give you strenfth in this time of bearevement. We do not weep like those who have no hope for our hope lies in Christ Jesus. We know that to be absent from the body is to be present with th

Priscilla Tims - October 20, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ To all of Maria's family and loved ones:
I knew Maria many years ago when we were co-workers at SW
General Hospital. She had an infectious personality and was always
so kind and just plain fun.
If I close my eyes I can hear her hearty laugh and see her

Monica Cerda - October 20, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ The time I knew her was short but the laughs were never ending.
She touched my heart and I will never forget her. My heart and
hands are stretched out to you at this time of sorrow. Know that she
touched many hearts and an Angel of her stature must have b

Karen Fussell - October 20, 2008 at 12:00 AM

AG

“ Mr. & Mrs. Garcia, & Rosario,

I was so sorry to hear of Rosalva's passing.

*Growing up in the Southside neighborhood on Sunglo, I have very
many wonderful memories. The Quatas, two of a kind, as kids we
grew up together, went to each others houses,*

Amalia Molly Gomez - October 20, 2008 at 12:00 AM

TV

“ David, Chole & Tia

I am so sorry to hear of your loss. There are no words to express my deepest sympathy. My prayers and thoughts are with you. I hope and pray that the wonderful memories you have will help get you thru this very difficult time.

Ti

Tish Vargas - October 20, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ To the Garcia Family,

I would like to extend our condolence on behalf of the entire faculty and staff at McCollum High School. I knew your wonderful wife and mother as Tia and Chole were also my students when they were at Terrell Wells. Mr. Garcia,

Diana Sz. Casas, Principal McCHS - October 20, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ David,

So sorry to hear of your loss. We will keep you and your family in our prayers.

Joe and Nancy Peters

Joe E. Peters - October 20, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ I pray that you feel God's presence in your life in this most difficult time, and I hope that you can find solace through the love of family and friends. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Love, Mary

Mary Stickney - October 20, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LZ

“ Dear David, Chole & Tia,
Oh how years have gone by and now here we are saying bye to my beautiful cuz who was so high spirited, loving, caring, and full of life every time we were around her.
My heart will also miss her. There was one thing that she would

Lori Zuniga - October 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

VT

“ Thirty-Three years ago, in a drafting class at McCollum High School, five lives came together. Two of them were 'las cuatas' Maria Y Maria, Becky Rios, Tomas Guerrero and myself. Little did we realize that from that small cluster of individuals, would blo

Vic Trevino - October 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

VH

“ Tia, Chole, & David

You know Chia was great friend, mother, daughter, and wife. She taught me that if I want something in life all I have to do is work hard to accomplish that goal. I will miss her so much and Chia will always be in my heart. I just want t

Valerie Hernandez - October 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ *DAVID, TIA AND CHLOE:
NEVER DOUBT FOR ONE MINUTE THAT SHE LOVED YOU ALL
A GREAT DEAL. WE SHARED MANY STORIES, TEARS AND
LAUGHTER ABOUT OUR FAMILIES. MY HEART WILL FOREVER
HAVE A PIECE MISSING. SHE BROUGHT MUCH JOY, LOVE
AND LAUGHTER INTO MY LIFE. SHE*

Gisele Lopez - October 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM