



Maria Elisa Whitehead

January 27, 1941 - July 23, 2016

Maria Elisa Whitehead, the eldest child of Rodolfo and Elisa Gonzales was born at home in Seguin, Texas on Monday, January 27th, 1941.

In 1956, she married her first love, Luis Alvarado Galindo. Together they were blessed with four children, Louis, Anna, Rudolph and Michael. In 1980, she married the love of her life, Charles R. Whitehead. Her extended family included his sons, Edwin, Charles Kenneth and Dennis Louis. The love Charles and Maria shared led them to the spiritual community of Mission El Carmen Catholic Church where Maria became a member of the Altar Society. The friendships and sisterhood forged over the years gave her courage and strength to face each day following the death of her beloved Charles in November 2000. A faithful servant, Maria opened her heart and her home to Father Oscar Miller during his time of need and actively supported her church for over 30 years.

Maria passed away peacefully at home in the arms of her loving children and sister, Adelita on Saturday, July 23, 2016.

Maria is survived by her loving children, daughter-in-law Joanne, and grandson, Jonah Geronimo, brother – Rudy Gonzales Sara, and sister – Adelita Munoz Juan. She is preceded in death by the love of her life, Charles Whitehead, her father – Rodolfo Gonzales, mother – Elisa Martinez, younger

brother – Raul Gonzales, and cherished sister-in-law, Josie Gonzales.