



Ninfa P. Ruiz

November 25, 1951 - February 18, 2023

Ninfa P. Ruiz went to be with the Lord on February 18, 2023, in San Antonio, Texas at the age of 71. Ninfa was born in Karnes City, Texas on November 25, 1951, to Guadalupe Pena and Manuela Salinas. When she was still a baby, her family moved to San Antonio. She moved 14 times within the city of San Antonio before the age of 20. She attended Huff and Columbia Heights Elementary schools. She stopped attending school after the 6th grade. She married her husband, Tomás A. Ruiz, of 51 years on December 24, 1971.

Ninfa earned her GED in 1990. In December 2001, she graduated from St. Philip's College with an Associates of Applied Science Degree in Dietetic Technology. She worked for the South San Antonio Independent School District for 24 years. She began her employment with the school district as a substitute cafeteria worker and retired as the Child Nutrition Supervisor for the school district.

Ninfa lived on the South Side of San Antonio all her life. In 2010, her memoir, *Los Secrets de Ninfa (Ninfa's Secrets)*, was published by Onda Books Publishing.

Since her retirement in 2007, she enjoyed gardening and spending time with her family cooking delicious Saturday lunches.

She is survived by her loving husband Tomás A. Ruiz; son Tomás Ruiz III; daughter Delia Ruiz; sisters Minerva P. Menchaca and Biatris P. Rodriguez; brother Antonio Pena; stepchildren Norma Ruiz (Luis Enriquez), Griselda Ruiz (Eliazar Castillo), and Dora Ruiz (Armando Zuniga). She is also survived by grandchildren Dylan Tomás Granato, Carlos M. Castro (Julissa Hernandez), Azucena Cervantes, Pablo E. Castro, Sarah E. Castro, and Jesus Cervantes.

In lieu of flowers, consider making an online donation to the American Institute for Cancer Research and/or American Transplant Foundation.

SERVICES

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, March 1, 2023, at Palm Heights Mortuary from 4pm to 8pm with the Holy Rosary to begin at 6:30pm.

Funeral Mass will be held Thursday, March 2, 2023, at St. Bonaventure Catholic Church at 10am, followed by interment at Mission Burial Park South.

PALM HEIGHTS MORTUARY
3711 S. ZARZAMORA STREET
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 78225
210-924-4568

Cemetery Details

Mission Burial Park South

1700 SE Military Dr.
San Antonio, TX 78214
<http://www.missionparks.com>

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 1. 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

MAR 1. 6:30 PM (CT)

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Funeral Mass

MAR 2. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Bonaventure Catholic Church
1918 Palo Alto Rd.
San Antonio, TX 78211

Tribute Wall



“ *Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Ninfa P. Ruiz.* ”



March 01, 2023 at 04:36 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ninfa P. Ruiz.* ”



March 01, 2023 at 03:25 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Ninfa P. Ruiz.* ”



March 01, 2023 at 08:57 AM



“ *Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Ninfa P. Ruiz.* ”



February 28, 2023 at 02:32 PM



“ Georgia Migiuri and Jami Farid GMP purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Ninfa P. Ruiz.



Georgia Migiuri and Jami Farid GMP - February 27, 2023 at 07:54 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Ninfa P. Ruiz.



February 27, 2023 at 03:41 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ninfa P. Ruiz.



February 27, 2023 at 03:35 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Ninfa P. Ruiz.



February 27, 2023 at 11:52 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ninfa P. Ruiz.*



February 24, 2023 at 09:49 PM



“ *Della Jimenez lit a candle in memory of Ninfa P. Ruiz*



Della Jimenez - February 24, 2023 at 09:29 PM