



Patricia F. Ozuna

March 17, 1937 - September 21, 2025

Patricia Flores Ozuna peacefully passed away on Sunday, September 21, 2025, at the age of 88. She was preceded in death by her parents Jose Marcos Flores and Maria de los Angeles Flores, her sisters Rosario Flores and Maria Ignacia Flores, her brothers John Flores and Miguel Flores, and her beloved husband Lino Garcia Ozuna. She is survived by her sisters Martha Zorola, Teresa Garcia and Maria Rodriguez, sons George Ozuna (Liz) and Richard Ozuna (Mary Ann), grandchildren Mariella Ozuna (Mary), Clarissa Ozuna (Ramiro), Marcos Ozuna (Tamara) and Lena Ozuna (Max), great grandchildren Mateo Ozuna, Donovan Anderson and Marcelino Ozuna, and a large extended family who love their “Aunt Patsy.”

Pat was born in Laredo, Texas on March 17, 1937. She completed high school at St. Augustine High School in Laredo and she took business courses at St. Philip’s College in San Antonio. Pat met Lino in Laredo and their love blossomed. They were married in April of 1955 and a deep, abiding and loving partnership found them doing nearly everything together. They started their family in San Antonio soon after their marriage and their home became the location for almost all large family gatherings during all the holidays and other celebrations, and often included 60 plus family members participating in games, great food and great fun.

Pat threw herself into raising her sons, exposing them to a wide range of

experiences that included frequent trips to the library to explore the world through books, jazz, theater and world culture. Pat and Lino together traveled throughout Texas, camping in national and state parks, and introducing their boys to the history and beauty of the state. Pat was also very active in her community's schools where she served as a leader in the PTA, the Cub Scouts, and Band Booster organizations. In addition, Pat and Lino were both very active in the Our Lady of the Angels Catholic Church where Pat served on the Finance Committee, Ministeria de Familia and where she served as the Chair for the annual OLA Festival.

Professionally, Pat began what would become a career working as a secretary, eventually joining the Harlandale Independent School District. After several years in HISD, she joined the San Antonio Independent School District and worked in several school offices until she retired.

The school secretary's position is a very special one, and Pat embraced the challenges and opportunities the position presented. She used her natural ability to take a lead, problem solve and create systems for improving the way in which all manner of school business took place. As the primary contact in the front office, she handled school budgets, the school calendar, the principal's schedule, teacher and student activities, and played a key role in each school's relationship with its community. She left behind a legacy of being tough but fair, highly competent and professional, and passionate about public education.

However, for all who knew Pat, her real work was her 26 years of local and statewide leadership in Citizens Organized for Public Service (COPS) where Lino was her partner and biggest supporter. After beginning as a volunteer, she quickly rose to a leadership position as a community organizer, helping to establish a COPS chapter in her own home parish, Our Lady of the Angels, and helping to develop, organize, and coach other leaders in their churches

and community organizations to pull citizens together to use their voices and votes in the service of their communities. Her legacy lives on in the numerous community projects that were accomplished under her leadership. She was known for her tough, no-nonsense accountability sessions where COPS members questioned politicians from municipal to county to state and national offices and demanded that they keep their commitments and promises. She was on a first-name basis with mayors, congressmen, sheriffs, councilmen, and school board members whose respect she earned for her deep commitment to improving our community.

The projects that were closest to her heart were the Columbia Heights Literacy Center; multiple street and sidewalk initiatives that included flood abatement and the multi-million dollar Rip-Rap 69 that helped to stem the flood of businesses leaving the neighborhood due to poor drainage; Jimmy Flores Park improvements including walking trails and a lighted basketball court; her coaching and support for St. Joseph's of South San Antonio to fight to have Palo Alto College built on the southside where no college previously existed; funding for housing repair and improvement, especially focused on elderly home owners; and multiple bond projects where her leadership of the army of COPS volunteers secured the dollars for school and community improvement.

However, if Pat could share her proudest moment, she would share that what brought her the most joy and satisfaction was the establishment of Project QUEST. QUEST began under her leadership and became a career track job-training program that continues to provide career guidance, college tuition, childcare, books, and more. Through two years of research and negotiations in San Antonio and Austin, she worked with then-Mayor Nelson Wolff, Tom Frost, and other business leaders, and in particular with then-Governor Ann Richards, who provided the initial two million dollars in funding. It gave her

great joy to know that Project QUEST would continue to change the lives of thousands of adults and is now a nationally recognized job-training program funded by the City of San Antonio, Bexar County, and the Department of Labor. Creating a program that breaks the cycle of poverty brought her the greatest feeling of satisfaction.

Mama Patsy involved herself deeply in her community and still found time to carry out her duties as the matriarch of a very large, extended and inclusive family, a family that she nurtured and kept connected during hard times and good. Her home had an open door for all and she encouraged and challenged each member to become their best selves. She demanded that each family member find some way to serve, to give back to the family and the community. She inspired each member of her family to be confident, to work hard, and to love each other, in spite of differences and challenges. And she will be lovingly remembered and will live on in the lives of the family who love her and the community members who took up her challenge to serve.

All are invited to celebrate Patsy's life on Saturday, September 27, 2025.

The visitation, rosary, and funeral mass will be held at Our Lady of the Angels Catholic Church, 1214 Stonewall Ave, San Antonio, TX 78211.

- 9:00 AM Visitation
- 10:00 AM Rosary
- 11:00 AM Funeral Mass

Following the mass, the entombment service will be held at 1:00 PM at San Fernando Cemetery II, 746 Castroville Rd, San Antonio, TX 78237.

Memorial Contributions

To best honor Patsy's memory and her lifelong passion for community service, in lieu of flowers a financial gift in her name to Our Lady of the Angels Catholic Church Food Pantry would be a meaningful and lasting tribute.

- To donate online, please use the pantry's direct giving page: <https://www.givcentral.org/customizable-online-giving/1003/event/33524>
- Visit www.olas.org, click the "Online Giving" button in the upper right-hand corner. Then select: "Food Pantry Donations."
- To donate by check: Please make checks payable to Our Lady of the Angels Catholic Church, with "Food Pantry" written in the memo line. Checks may be mailed to the church at 1214 Stonewall Ave, San Antonio, TX 78211.

Cemetery Details

San Fernando Cemetery #2

746 Castroville Rd.
San Antonio, TX 78237

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 27. 9:00 AM (CT)

Our Lady of Angels Catholic Church
1214 Stonewall
San Antonio, TX 78211

Rosary

SEP 27. 10:00 AM (CT)

Our Lady of the Angels Catholic Church
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Mass

SEP 27. 11:00 AM (CT)

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San Antonio
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Entombment

SEP **27**. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Patricia F. Ozuna.*



September 26, 2025 at 10:28 AM



“ *Jacqueline Florez Gonzalez Rosier lit a candle in memory of Patricia F. Ozuna*



Jacqueline Florez Gonzalez Rosier - September 24, 2025 at 01:37 PM