



Sarah Helen May

July 27, 1940 - March 7, 2024

Sarah Helen May went to be with our Lord on March 7, 2024, at the age of 83 years. Raised in Von Ormy, Texas, and was a proud descendant of the first families to settle and establish San Antonio from the Canary Islands in 1731 through her mother, Helen. Sarah was the first of seven children born to Sebastian Chavez Martinez and Helen DeLeon Martinez on July 27, 1940, at Santa Rosa Hospital in San Antonio, Texas.

In 1956, Sarah met Cleveland D. "Red" May who came home for the holidays with Sarah's cousin, Leonard Ruiz, from Fort Hood in Killeen, Texas. It was love at first sight and the two married on April 27, 1957. They were married 51 years and three children were born, Robert, Helen, and Beverly. While raising her children, Sarah worked at Santa Rosa Hospital in the Dietary department at the same time she and Red juggled family time with volunteering with PTA, Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Brownies, and Girl Scouts of America. Sarah was employed for 23 years with the South San Antonio Independent School District first being the cafeteria manager at South San Antonio High School then serving as Assistant Food Services Director for the school district until her retirement in 1995. While employed with South San Antonio ISD, Sarah and Red were the owners and managers of RAM'S Quick Stop on Pleasanton Road and RAM Mortorcycles, inc., on SW Military Drive located on the south side of San Antonio.

Sarah was preceded in death by her husband Cleveland D. "Red" May, her parents, Sebastian C. and Helen DeLeon Martinez, brother John Joe Martinez, sister, Eileen "Winkie" Barrientos, and grandson, Robert Andrew May II. She is survived by three children, Robert Andrew May, Helen Louise May Gonzales (Herman), Beverly Elaine May-Guzman (Adolfo), five grandchildren: Michael Andrew May (Christy), Helen Mae Gonzales, Cody Jay Gonzales, Esther Marie Gonzales Martinez (Rudy), Sarah Elaine May, and nine great-grandchildren, Emery May, Jaxson May, Sophia Martinez, Leroy Martinez, Tyler Martinez, Quinn Gonzales, Ian Gonzales, Ruben Castaneda, and James Gonzales; Four brothers, Sebastian "Sammy" Martinez, Jesse "Bimbo" Martinez (Judy), Gerard Martinez, Jerome (Billy) Martinez, her Beloved Goddaughter, Deanna Rodriguez, numerous nieces and nephews, aunts and uncles.

The family wishes to thank all surgeons, doctors, nurses, nutritionists, providers, Methodist Oncology Support, and healthcare advocate staff members of Guardian, Estrella, Magnolia, SNG Dialysis Center, Kidney, Hypertension & Transplant Specialists, MICU specialists, Registered Nurses, and all staff members at Southwest General Hospital and Metropolitan Methodist Hospital for the care given to her during the last 5 years until she took her last breath.

All funeral services for Sarah will be held at Mission Park South, 1700 SE Military Drive, beginning Monday, March 18, 2024. Visitation will begin at 5:00 p.m. followed by the praying of the Holy Rosary at 6:00 p.m. Church services will be held on Tuesday, March 19, 2024, beginning at 11:00 a.m. Interment will follow. Father Jossh Carmen will officiate services.

Cemetery Details

Mission Burial Park South

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

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 18. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels South, Cemeteries & Crematories
1700 SE Military Dr
San Antonio, TX 78214
(210) 924-4242
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Holy Rosary

MAR 18. 6:00 PM (CT)

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Funeral Service

MAR 19. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Diana and from above- Mr Castillo purchased the Garden Accent Stone - "Wherever a Beautiful Soul..." for the family of Sarah Helen May.*



Diana and from above- Mr Castillo - March 25, 2024 at 11:34 AM

TG

“ *It's taken me so long to write this because Helen has been a large part of my life for over 50 years. To say she will be missed just doesn't express how much I will miss this women. At my darkest times and without judgement she would listen, offer a hug. How did she always know that's all I needed. Caring for me after a surgery while my mother conducted business on a cell phone. Helen is the essence of the mom I always strive to be. We call each other Sister because in our hearts that's how we saw each other. I know she is with God, in my mind this women was a saint. Loving without judgement and always there for those in her life who needed her! So to my sister I would like to say "I love you Sister" Hope I follow your examples enough to be with you again some day. God bless and keep you in His loving arms!*

Therese

Therese Garza - March 18, 2024 at 08:32 PM

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“ We the Molina sisters always considered Helen May as a beautiful aunt and best friend To our mother. As a child I remember my mother crying when The Mays left Phoenix to move back to San Antonio. We loved our Aunt Helen Uncle Red and our sweet Texas Sissy Robbie and Bev.



Ana Molina Gonzalez - March 14, 2024 at 06:10 PM

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“ Faiy and Family (Thailand) purchased the Arrive i n Style for the family of Sarah Helen May.



Faiy and Family (Thailand) - March 13, 2024 at 12:13 AM

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“ Faiy and Family (Thailand) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sarah Helen May.

Faiy and Family (Thailand) - March 13, 2024 at 12:13 AM