



Mrs. Valentina M. Garcia

February 14, 1928 - November 6, 2020

Valentina M. Garcia was born on February 14, 1928 in San Antonio, Texas went to be with the Lord on November 6, 2020 at the age of 92 years. Mrs. Garcia was a graduate of Edison High school. She is survived by her beloved daughters, Anna Solis (Mike), Patricia Ponce (Mark); sons, Esteban Garcia (Margaret), Hector Garcia (Connie), Victor Garcia (Barbara), Michael Garcia, Gerard Garcia (Rosalinda); grandchildren, Patric, David, Jeremy, Erica, Tracie, Kimberly, Mario, Sara and Robert Garcia, Monica Lozano, Kaleb, Dominic and Abigail. Mrs. Garcia was an accomplished gardener, loved her roses and enjoyed going to garage sales as a hobby.

Hector and Connie: granddaughter Erica Garcia and great granddaughter Ariel Garcia. Grandson David Garcia, and great grandson Damien Garcia. Grandson Jeremy and Estela Garcia, and great grandsons Christian Garcia, Zaidyn Garcia, and Kori Garcia.

Gerard & Rosalinda Garcia

Grandchildren: Robert A Garcia, Mario A. Garcia, Sarah R. Garcia

Tracie & Carlos Garcia great granddaughter Lourdes M. Garcia. Chad A.

Rodriguez & Kimberly A Rodriguez (granddaughter) great granddaughter Rory K Rodriguez, great grandson Randall William Rodriguez.

Steve and Margaret Grandson Patric

Patric and Michelle Great grandchildren Julia and Zack
Zack and Gisele- Great-great grandchild Leonardo

Patricia and Mark Ponce

Grandkids Dominic/ Kaleb Ponce, Abigale Ortiz, Monica Lozano. Great
grandkids, Aliyah Ponce, Elaina Ponce, Noel Ortiz, Rogelio Ortiz.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 18. 5:30 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/>

Rosary

NOV 18. 6:30 PM (CT)

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Funeral Mass

NOV 19. 11:00 AM (CT)

St Margaret Mary's Catholic Church
1314 Fair Ave
San Antonio, TX 78223
(210) 532-6309

Tribute Wall



“ *Mission Park Funeral Chapels & Cemeteries created a Webcast in memory of Mrs. Valentina M. Garcia*



Mission Park Funeral Chapels & Cemetery - November 18, 2020 at 05:27 PM

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Thinking of you all at this difficult time. Rest in Peace Tia Val.

Alejandra Montez - November 18, 2020 at 08:05 PM

“*Valentina Mata Garcia was born in San Antonio in 1928 and lived the early years of her life at a place she always spoke fondly of, Sunshine Ranch. Mom told us stories of walking to school and having to cross the Medina river on her way there and back daily. One day she dropped her lunch bag and watched it float away down the river. She continued on to school but her classmates all gave up parts of their lunch so Mom wouldn't go hungry. She spoke of times listening to her Dad, Cirildo Mata sitting, leaning back on a tree playing the guitar after the days chores were done. Since she lived on the farm all of their needs were provided for even during World War II when many food stuffs were rationed. In fact, relatives who lived in the city would stop by and ask her dad, Cirildo for unused rations of which he gave generously.*

Mom was a very intelligent person, but when her Dad, Cirildo got a job to pick pecans at Rancho Grande, she went along with her family and spent the winter in canvas tents till they finished harvesting the pecans. When she returned, she would catch up with all of her schoolwork she had missed.

The Mata family later moved to San Antonio on Navidad St. where she attended Edison High School. She got a job at Solo Serve where she met my Dad, Patricio and later married in Oct 24, 1948 and moved to Wyoming St. Mom and Dad were married for 61 years.

It was very important to our Mom that we all received a good education. She was my kindergarten teacher and taught me my ABCs and numbers. She made sure I could read before I went to the first grade. My learning English was very important to her as she didn't want me to go through the same hardships she did when she went to school speaking only Spanish and having to learn English and her studies.

My Dad wanted me to go to Smith Elementary (right next door to St. Gerard's parish) because he went there as a child. Since the cutoff for 1st grade was the 31st of August, I would have had to wait for another year to start 1st grade. Mom talked Dad into enrolling me into St. Gerard's for one year so I wouldn't fall behind. I stayed at St. Gerard's Elementary and my brothers and sisters followed after me

to St. Gerard Elementary and then High School. The great education we received was the foundation of our later successes in our own careers.

My Mom and Dad loved that we were in sports. Both of them loved to go to our baseball games playing with the CYO (Catholic Youth Organization) and football with Pop Warner. She said it was their entertainment. Mom and Dad followed all our games in basketball, softball, football and enjoyed our sister Anna's cheerleading.

Dad would always tell Mom. "Aren't you glad we had all these kids?" Mom was our rock and our inspiration. She supported us and successfully helped us in any way she could. She instilled in us the belief, that anything is possible and guided all of us to being very successful in our careers. She was the catalyst to careers which continue on through our lineage, in the Military, Civil Engineering, Aerospace, Computer and Communications, Advertising, Logistics, Interior Decoration, Landscape Architecture and her great grandchildren continue on in the Medical fields and Military. I'm certain her Great-great-grand child Leonardo Garcia will do also do great things in the future.

Before our Dad died on February 2, 2009, he kept reminding us "Take care of your Mom."

For the 11 years after Dad passed away, we as a family, continued to visit and support Mom enjoying her love celebrating birthdays, Christmas, her birthday on Valentine's Day at their home on Stanfield St.

After she broke her hip and went to Golden Estates for rehabilitation, we once again as a family continued to visit her and support her on her birthdays, Thanksgiving and other holidays. Mom continued to make friends there among the staff and other residents. They always had a good conversation with Mom. When she couldn't eat in the dining r

Esteban Garcia - November 20, 2020 at 09:21 AM

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“ Love, Chris & Sharee purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Mrs. Valentina M. Garcia.



Love, Chris & Sharee - November 18, 2020 at 04:09 PM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Mrs. Valentina M. Garcia.



November 18, 2020 at 08:09 AM



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Valentina M. Garcia.



November 17, 2020 at 11:49 AM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Mrs. Valentina M. Garcia.



November 15, 2020 at 06:09 AM

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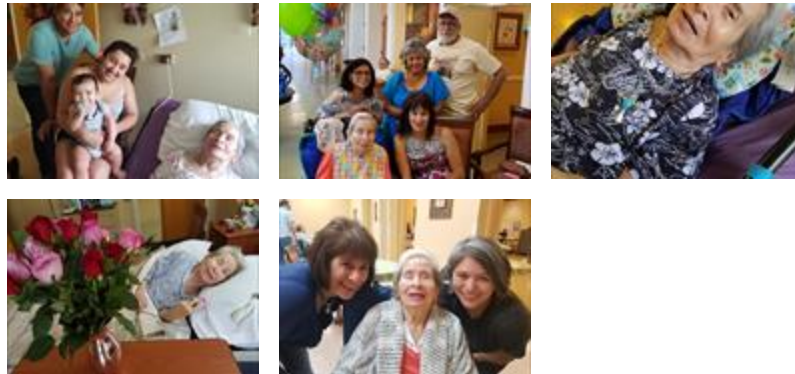
“ from her sister Dora M. Griffith & Family purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Mrs. Valentina M. Garcia.



from her sister Dora M. Griffith & Family - November 13, 2020 at 11:22 AM

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“ 12 files added to the tribute wall



Patricia Ponce - November 12, 2020 at 06:19 AM

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Dominic & Kimberly - November 11, 2020 at 02:19 PM

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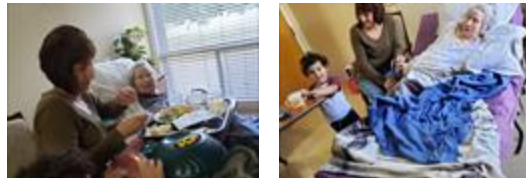
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Gerard A. Garcia - November 10, 2020 at 06:17 PM

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“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Abigale Ortiz Ponce - November 08, 2020 at 11:35 AM

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She always loved to see her great & grandkids she would get so happy. 💕💕💕

Patricia Ponce - November 09, 2020 at 11:41 AM