



Velma Lozano

March 28, 1948 - April 27, 2023

The family of Velma G. Lozano is saddened to announce her passing on April 27, 2023 at her residence in San Antonio, Texas surrounded by her loving family.

Velma was born in Corpus Christi, Texas on March 28, 1948. She was the second child, and the first daughter of Lena (Garza) and Federico Guerra. Velma and her family lived in many cities throughout her childhood and youth, including Huntsville, Alabama, Austin, Texas, and finally San Antonio, Texas. She attended Travis High School in Austin then moved to San Antonio where she graduated from Robert E. Lee High School in 1967. While still in high school she attended beauty school where she obtained her beauty operator license.

In 1968, she married Ramiro R. Lozano and was delighted by the birth of their daughter Lisa a year later. Five years after that, their family was completed by the birth of their second beautiful daughter, Lora. Velma was a loving mother and housewife who worked part time as a hair dresser until she decided to go to college. She continued to care for her family while attending UTSA. Her determination and tenacity paid off when she earned her BA in elementary education in 1982. She was proud to be the first college graduate in her family and hoped that this would inspire others to follow suit. She was a second grade bilingual teacher who taught at Agnes Cotton Elementary for her entire

27 year career until retiring in 2009. Velma had many talents and hobbies which included singing, gardening, painting, making jewelry and creating one of a kind stained glass pieces. She loved her family deeply and considered her grandchildren to be her greatest treasure on earth.

In 2012, Velma was diagnosed with Cryptogenic Cirrhosis and cancer of the liver. She was put on the transplant list and on January 30, 2014, she received the liver she so desperately needed. After going through the surgery, recovery and rehabilitation, Velma was given a second lease on life. The temporary success of Velma's liver transplant, blessed her with nine more beautiful years of life with her family and friends. She did not take a single moment for granted.

We are eternally grateful to her donor for selflessly donating the gift of life and giving us the last 9 years we had with her. Also to Velma's, surgeons, Dr. Foster and Dr. Shen, her liver doctor, Dr. Junaidi as well as the nurses and staff at Methodist Transplant Insititute.

Velma was preceded in death by her parents Federico and Lena Guerra and a brother, Roberto Felix Guerra.

Velma will be lovingly remembered by her husband of 34 years Ramiro R. Lozano; children: Lisa and Lora Lozano; sons-in-law: Gabino Rodriguez and J.C.; grandchildren.: Andres Rodriguez, Lilia Rodriguez, M.Castillo, and R. Castillo; sister: Norma (Jeffrey) Baltzer; brother: David (Missy) Guerra; as well as numerous relatives and friends.

The family wishes to thank Joe A. Salazar for putting a smile on Velma's face by bringing her lottery tickets and by going with her and her family to assist during her doctor visits.

The family is appreciative of those that were with them the night of Velma's passing as well as the days prior to her death. Thank you Norma Baltzer, Corin Hurst, Joe A. Salazar, Maria Dixon, Gabino Rodriguez, Andres Rodriguez and Lilia Rodriguez.

Memorial Service:

Mission Park Funeral Chapel
3401 Cherry Ridge
San Antonio, Texas 78230

Saturday, May 20, 2023
12pm

with a reception to follow at:

David & Missy Guerra's house
3106 Sable Bend
San Antonio, Texas 78259

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAY **20**. 12:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels Cherry Ridge
3401 Cherry Ridge Dr
San Antonio, TX 78230
(210) 349-1414
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Tribute Wall

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“ We were saddened to hear of your loss. It was always great to see Velma at our family gatherings. Memories of love and friendship are treasures to carry with you always. May you find comfort in knowing you were a special part of her life. She will be missed.
~your friends Tony & Imelda Muñoz and Eli Guerra



Tony & Imelda Munoz and Eli Guerra - May 19, 2023 at 02:22 PM

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“ I met Velma back before she became a teacher. I knew when I first met her that she would be a boost to our profession with her energy, intelligence, passion, and compassion. With the support of her children and husband---always my union brother and close friend--- she made our educational system better than it was before she came on board. Thanks, Velma!

Steven Jennings - May 14, 2023 at 06:51 AM

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Velma, Your friendship is eternal. We love you forever! Gloria and Joe Lopez

Gloria Martinez/Lopez - May 17, 2023 at 08:53 PM

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I remember my cousin Velma as being pretty, both inside and out, and being wise, along with her husband, Ramiro. They always seemed to be knowledgeable about a variety of subjects, perhaps because they were both educators. I spent more time with her sister, Norma, because we were closer in age, and have very fond memories of their parents, my Aunt Lena and Uncle Fred. I also remember Velma as enjoying a good laugh, and there was always laughter when we were around her, her siblings and parents. She lived a full and valiant life. Rest in peace, prima. -- Cindi Perez Gerber

Cindi Perez Gerber - May 20, 2023 at 06:58 PM