



Veronica Paredes

June 28, 1971 - August 31, 2024

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Y ahora, así te habla Yavé, que te ha creado, Jacob, o que te ha formado, Israel. No temas, porque yo te he rescatado; te he llamado por tu nombre, tú eres mío.

Si atraviesas el río, yo estaré contigo y no te arrastrará la corriente. Si pasas por medio de las llamas, no te quemarás, ni siquiera te chamuscarás.

Pues yo soy Yavé, tu Dios, el Santo de Israel, tu Salvador. Para rescatarte, entregaría a Egipto Etiopía y Saba, en lugar tuyo.

Porque tú vales mucho a mis ojos, yo doy a cambio tuyo vidas humanas; por ti entregaría pueblos, porque te amo y eres importante para mí.

No temas, pues, ya que yo estoy contigo. Del Este haré venir a tu descendencia y del Oeste te reuniré.

Isaías, 43, 1-5

Veronica Mendoza Paredes passed away on August 31, 2024, surrounded by family in her home in San Antonio, Texas after a year long courageous battle with stage IV gastroesophageal cancer at 53 years old.

She was born in the town of Tarimoro, Guanajuato, Mexico, on June 28, 1971, to Otilio Mendoza Loa and Belen Arvizu Ramirez. She was the seventh of eleven children of Tilio and Belen.

She is remembered by her loved ones for her vibrant spirit and loving nature. Veronica grew up in a loving home and helped her parents and siblings in any way she could. She would often wake up early to take her father lunch while he worked at the ladrillera accompanied by her brother Osbaldo before school. After completing school, she began working at a small store dispatching groceries. It was here that she met the love of her life, Martin, whose grandparents lived next door to the store. She remembered meeting him and falling in love, going to the town's Fiesta de Miguel Arcangel, the patron saint of Tarimoro, as they began their relationship. Martin was scheduled to begin basic training for the US Army in November and the couple married in early November at Parroquia San Miguel Arcangel in Tarimoro, Guanajuato.

Martin, Jr. was born the following year and soon Martin, Sr., was called to be stationed in Nuremberg, Germany. Veronica and Martin welcomed a baby boy, Ivan, during their stay in Germany, and the young family enjoyed many outings to local festivals and parks. They soon returned to the states, choosing Texas as their new home and welcoming their daughter, Vivian, in Killeen. The young family continued to grow as they welcomed baby Jose Cuauhtémoc. During their time at Fort Hood, Veronica enjoyed hosting family and visiting neighboring San Antonio, where they later moved and welcomed baby Daniel.

Veronica was a loving and nurturing mother and wife; she found joy in cooking and caring for her family. She would often crochet baby clothes for all her children. As they grew, she was always supporting her children's school activities and hobbies, taking them to mariachi and band practice, and helping

with school fundraisers. She became a part of St. Leonard's Catholic Church's Grupo de Evangelizacion - Pequeña Comunidad where she grew in her love for God and met her compadres Jorge & Lupe Vallejo, Armando & Nena Amaya. She was a great cook and helped prepare meals for church fundraisers. As her children grew into adults, she supported them and was so proud of their growth in their careers and personal lives. She was overjoyed at seeing Martin, Jr.'s adventures traveling the world, Ivan's career as an engineer and Vivian's career as a biologist develop, Jose and Lupita becoming homeowners and rescuing and fostering dogs, and Daniel and Angelina expecting her first grandchild.

Veronica loved to show affection by whipping up a home cooked meal from scratch and she did so with such ease it was admirable. She loved accompanying her husband Martin on road trips and was able to travel regularly to visit family all around the United States and Mexico.

The door to her home was always open and welcoming to her family and friends and you could smell a delicious home cooked meal as you approached. We will all miss her dearly and remember her for her selfless love, encouragement, her wise advice when called on for help, her bright smile and single dimple that showed when she smiled big, and her lively laugh.

She was preceded in death by her father, Otilio Mendoza Loa; brother Jose Guadalupe Mendoza Arvizu; Father and Mother-in-Law, Jose Paredes Hernandez and Guadalupe Almanza Paredes. She found tremendous joy in the hope of being reunited with them in her last days.

She is survived by her loving and supportive husband, Martin Paredes; her children: Martin Paredes, Jr., Ivan Paredes, Vivian Paredes, Jose Paredes,

Daniel Paredes; a baby grandson (expected in January 2025); her mother, Belen Arvizu Ramirez; her siblings: Ramon Mendoza Arvizu, Felipe Mendoza Arvizu, Rogelio Mendoza Arvizu, Maria De Jesus Mendoza Arvizu (Hernandez), Maria Luz Mendoza Arvizu, Osbaldo Mendoza Arvizu, Cristobal Mendoza Arvizu, Belen Mendoza Arvizu (Jimenez), Reina Mendoza Arvizu (Hernandez), and many extended family and friends.

The Paredes Family would like to thank all our family and friends that have helped support us and continue to support us, especially since mom was first diagnosed with cancer last year. You have lifted our family up during the hardest days of our lives and we cannot show appreciation enough. We would like to especially thank Father Servando Guerrero Ponce for his support, prayers, and kind words, Veronica's doctors, nurses and staff at Oncology San Antonio, Dr. Hals, Dr. Raza, Melissa Luna, Christina Ponce; her doctors, nurses, and staff at MD Anderson, Dr. Li, Ms. Jina Stephens, and countless nurses and doctors that attended to her in the Acute Cancer Care Center; the care team at Beacon Hospice who showed my mom the utmost compassion in her last days, and Elaina Alfaro at Mission Park Chapels for assisting us in providing Veronica with a beautiful service. Every phone call, message, visit, and moment we shared with Veronica & family meant the world to us and showed her she was not alone in this fight.

Previous Events

Public Viewing

SEP 11. 4:00 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/>

Public Visitation

SEP 12. 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

SEP 12. 7:00 PM (CT)

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

Funeral Procession

SEP 13. 9:00 AM (CT)

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

The procession will begin around 10 AM

Funeral Mass

SEP 13. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Leonard's Catholic Church
8510 S. Zarzamora
San Antonio, TX 78224

Burial

SEP 13. 12:30 PM (CT)

San Fernando Cemetery #3
1735 Cupples
San Antonio, TX 78226

Reception

SEP 13. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

St. Leonard Catholic Church
8510 S Zamora St.
San Antonio, TX 78224

Please join us for a reception at St. Leonard's Catholic Church Hall from 2:00PM-4:00 PM after the burial.

Tribute Wall



“ *Rose Garden Heart was purchased for the family of Veronica Paredes.*



September 12, 2024 at 11:44 AM



“ *Jose, Delfina, Sarah and Vannesa purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Veronica Paredes.*



Jose, Delfina, Sarah and Vannesa - September 11, 2024 at 09:29 AM



“ *Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Veronica Paredes.*



September 10, 2024 at 04:15 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Veronica Paredes.*



September 10, 2024 at 10:19 AM