



## Veronica Zaragoza-Castaño

September 21, 2021

On Tuesday September 21st in the morning hours, our beloved wife, daughter, sister, aunt, and friend Veronica Zaragoza-Castaño entered into eternal rest at the age of 43 from unknown natural causes. A San Antonio native, she was born to parents Edmundo and Eloise and lovingly raised on the south side of the city.

Preceded in death by her mother Eloise in September of 2019, Veronica is survived by her soulmate and husband Mario L. Castaño. She also leaves behind her father Edmundo, sisters Elisa, Yvette and Dolores, as well as countless devoted friends and family members.

Veronica was a genuine, rare and uniquely wonderful person. She embodied the ability to walk into a room and light up everyone. She radiated with inner and outer beauty. She epitomized life, laughter and love. She loved endlessly. She loved her husband, family, and friends so deeply that one couldn't help but feel that love when around her. Being an Auntie to her nieces and nephews was one of her favorite roles in life and she also gave that wonderful love to her precious fur babies who had her heart.

As fate would have it, Veronica found the true love of her life. It was when Veronica and friends happened to be at the place where Mario was working that they met and saw each other frequently, until one day, they would lock

eyes and lips in front of a crowd of strangers. For sixteen beautiful years, they shared a united life of love. They remained inseparable until the moment her soul left her body.

Veronica followed her heart and ultimately found her passion in the art of hair styling and beautification. She worked for Newby's hair salon for 23 years, where she touched many people's lives in so many ways. Transforming people's hair was her way of helping them grow confidence and feel beautiful and happy. She loved her work and her clients, some of which had been with her since the start. She made amazing, long-lasting friendships with her coworkers, whom she considered family.

Though all who knew Veronica are devastated by this loss, there is reason to rejoice as she is in heaven with the Father. A rosary will be recited, followed by a funeral mass, on Saturday October 9th, 2021 at 11a.m. at St. Lawrence Catholic Church located at 236 E. Petaluma Blvd. 78221. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made in Veronica's honor to the Alzheimer's Association or the San Antonio Humane Society.

# Previous Events

## Funeral Mass with Rosary

OCT 9. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Lawrence Catholic Church  
236 E. Petaluma  
San Antonio, TX 78221

# Tribute Wall

EG

“ 9 files added to the tribute wall



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**Elisa Garcia** - October 12, 2021 at 02:41 PM

CB

“ *Sending my sincerest heartfelt sympathies to family and friends of Veronica. I will always remember my sweet friend & how she welcomed me with love. She was one of my first best friends in middle school & I'll never forget all the fun times we had having sleepovers and just hanging out , listening to all her cool music & secretly rummaging through Yvette and Lisa's clothes :) You impacted so many lives with your incomparable smile & contagious laugh. I love you always my beautiful friend. Rest in paradise with your sweet momma who I'm sure was there to welcome you home*



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**Crystal Salazar Bocanegra** - October 09, 2021 at 09:47 PM

AG

“ A tribute donation has been made to Alzheimer's Disease Research in memory of Veronica Zaragoza-Castano. We are thinking of you and your family, today and always.

*With Love and Memories, Alex, Adra, and Kathleen.*

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**Alex G.** - October 09, 2021 at 04:34 PM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Veronica Zaragoza-Castaño.



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October 08, 2021 at 02:07 PM

BB

“ Veronica was a kind and good person that will never be forgotten. She will always stay in our hearts, and she will always be a part of our lives.

*I knew Veronica since she started at Newby's and she was so upbeat and made you feel so good. I will always remember her with love.*

*Veronica, memories of you fill my mind like a million beautiful stars in the night sky.*

*Today I looked up to the sky and thought it looked amazing. I realized that it's because you are up there, flying with the angels now, but still guiding us because you are always with us.*

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**Brenda Bartosh-Barbee** - October 08, 2021 at 12:51 PM



“ *Pretty Please* was purchased for the family of *Veronica Zaragoza-Castaño*.



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October 07, 2021 at 03:08 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of *Veronica Zaragoza-Castaño*.



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October 07, 2021 at 09:50 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms* was purchased for the family of *Veronica Zaragoza-Castaño*.



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October 05, 2021 at 01:14 PM



“ *Veronica, you were our friend and stylist for 20 years and we will miss you so much!*  
*Kathleen Anderberg, Alex and Adra*



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**Kathleen Anderberg** - October 04, 2021 at 01:38 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Veronica Zaragoza-Castaño.*



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October 04, 2021 at 01:32 PM



“ *I have been a client of Veronica's for 20 years, and my daughter was a client for 23 years. Needless to say, we loved Veronica and considered her our friend. We will miss her so much. You have our sympathies on your loss. We will never forget her.*

*Sympathy, Jeannie Nelson - client of Newby's*

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**Jeannie Nelson** - October 04, 2021 at 12:46 PM



“ *Tyneil & Northcott McFaddin purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Veronica Zaragoza-Castaño.*



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**Tyneil & Northcott McFaddin** - September 29, 2021 at 11:29 AM



“ *With deepest sympathy, AT&T Compensation purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Veronica Zaragoza-Castaño.*



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**With deepest sympathy, AT&T Compensation** - September 29, 2021 at 10:59 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Veronica Zaragoza-Castaño.*



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September 28, 2021 at 04:56 PM



“ *Veronica was such a special person and a sweet friend. Beautiful inside and out.*

*Don't ever doubt the impact you have on others lives. Our relationship with Veronica centered on regular hair appointments, at first.*

*Those sessions were filled with laughter, smiles, gossip, fun, makeup tips and stress relief! She made us always feel welcomed and beautiful and over the years it felt like we were visiting family.*

*Our last visit with her was after the passing of our sweet Molly bear. Veronica went out of her way to be positive and upbeat for us, making jokes and telling us crazy stories. And she did so because she truly cared for us and it meant a great deal. That's the kind of person she was.*

*My Mom and I will miss her so very much and our prayers are with her entire family. ❤️*

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**Lea Bouknight** - September 28, 2021 at 12:06 PM

VI

*My Special V, an 🙏 Angel on this earth, always there to listen, comfort and do Amazing Work on top of being all she was Just as a wonderful Friend*

*I knew her for 7.5 years but it felt like my entire life, the Sister I never had.*

*I don't know how going to live without you Veronica. They say "Time heals" but right now I feel selfish and want you HERE with us all who NEED YOU SO SO MUCH 😞*

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**Victoria** - September 28, 2021 at 05:44 PM

 Laurie Wolfson

“ *Veronica, I can't express my sadness. You were one of my favorite people in the whole world. We spent so many hours talking and laughing; I will always cherish my time with you. You will be missed.*

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**Laurie Wolfson** - September 28, 2021 at 11:52 AM

TC

“ *I am so sad losing Veronica one of my favorite people in the whole world. I will remember her beautiful smile and her positive attitude always Newbys Hair Salon will never be the same without our Veronica she is one of a kind❤️*

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**Terry Cheatwood** - September 27, 2021 at 09:07 PM

MC

“ Veronica, you truly made Mario the happiest man on Earth! He lived to love you, always. Since you first met in high school, even though neither of you knew it at that time, you were truly the love of each other's life!!!

A love story for the ages ended too soon. But your love will endure forever. Thank you for giving my brother life, you saved him in so many ways.

I'll miss you forever dear sister. I'll appreciate you forever. I'll love you forever.

I want you to know that we are taking the best care of Mario as possible and he is living to honor you each day. Don't worry about your husband any longer. His siblings, Mom, and nieces and nephews are showering him with as much love as possible, although we know it pales in comparison to how much you loved him.

You are our blessing from God. We are so thankful that He shared the best gift of you.

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**Melinda Castaño** - September 27, 2021 at 08:50 PM

TI

“ I love you, Vernie and I will always cherish our memories. Rest In Peace, beautiful girl. Love, Ter-Bear.

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**Teri Irvin** - September 27, 2021 at 07:52 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Veronica Zaragoza-Castaño.



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September 27, 2021 at 07:19 PM

DS

“ to our very dear friends the Zaragoza family Stella and I send our heart felt wan warmest love on the loss of your lovely daughter and all of our love. God Bless your family at this time of sorry. Love and Prayers always for your family from ours.

*Deacon Charles & Stella Pope*

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**Deacon Charles & Stella Pope Sr** - September 25, 2021 at 11:22 PM