



## Willie Mendez Cortez

February 23, 1919 - July 19, 2005

Willie M. Cortez Sr. was born February 23, 1919 and entered into eternal rest on July 19, 2005 at the age of 86 years. He served honorably in the Army Air Corp during WWII and retired from Kelly A.F.B. after 34 years of civil service. He is preceded in death by his beloved parents Enrique and Maria Cortez; brothers Jesse, Henry, Joe, and Albert Cortez; sisters Elena Rendon and Josefina Marquez. He is survived by his wife of 55 years Chonita R. Cortez: son Willie Jr. and Rose Cortez, daughters Sylvia and Roger Cavazos, and Mary Alice and Reynaldo Espinoza. Grandchildren Rene and Monica, Philip, and Joseph Cortez; Roger and Marina Cavazos; Rey, Raul, and Roland Espinoza. Great-grandchildren Mark Paul Espinoza and David Anthony Cortez. Sisters Nora and Juan Gutierrez, Carmen Garza and Velia Zamora. Aunt Vicenta Hernandez and numerous relatives and friends.

# Tribute Wall

LP

“ *My deepest sympathy. Mr. Cortez will be remembered with alot of admiration.*

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**Lori M. Puente** - August 01, 2005 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ *My condolences to your family at the loss of your loved one. Just know that I will be here for you now and in the future.*

*Sincerely,  
Sharon Hester  
Family Service Representative  
Mission Park Funeral Chapels*

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**Sharon Hester** - July 30, 2005 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ *our thoughts and prayers are with you in your time of grief*

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**Mr.& Mrs. Jose L. Cortez,Jr** - July 22, 2005 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ *Rest in peace Tio Willie. You are now in Heaven with your parents and brothers and sisters. See you when I get there. Tell my Grandma Josefina and Grandpa Salvador I said hello.*

*Your Great Niece,  
Stephanie L. Rodriguez*

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**Stephanie Rodriguez** - July 21, 2005 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ *The Best Godfather a girl could ever have. I will miss you and will never forget you. Thanks for the memories and for being there for me and my mom when my dad went to heaven. My deepest condolences to the Cortez family. Lori Romo*

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**Lorena Castellano** - July 21, 2005 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ *Extending our heart felt condolences on the loss of your loved one.*

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**Staff at Mission Park Funeral Chapels** - July 20, 2005 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ *He is just away. He is alive in the wonderful special memories that will live forever in your hearts. My deepest condolences.*

*Love Cris*

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**Cris** - July 20, 2005 at 12:00 AM