



Maria Z. Ramirez

April 20, 1928 - May 21, 2015

Maria Z. Ramirez of Penitas, Texas passed away peacefully at her home during the evening of May 21, 2015 while holding hands with her husband Jose Ramirez, Jr. and entered into the house of her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Born on April 20, 1928 to Guadalupe and Benilde Zamora, Maria was raised most of her life in Penitas, and had recently celebrated her 87th birthday surrounded by her family. She was a lady of unwavering faith with a heart-full of love and an ability to make others feel better about themselves. Throughout her life, Maria exemplified the best traits of humanity and was an ultimate example of humility, dignity, and moral character. She always practiced forgiveness and commitment to her husband and her children, and to family and friends, and encouraged all to love unconditionally.

On May 22, 1949 Maria Zamora married hometown grown Jose Ramirez, Jr. and together began to build a life centered on Christian faith and always displaying an uncompromising commitment to God the father, to their Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, to the Holy Spirit, and to one another. They were blessed with seven sons and three beautiful daughters. She never once was too tired to be a loving wife and mother and never once failed to be a pillar of strength and support. She was also devoted to her father in-law and mother in-law, the late Jose Ramirez Ochoa and Cleotilde Ramirez. Together they stressed the importance of family, peace and unity, and where the importance of protecting, providing, teaching, and guiding children was paramount and

the primary and basic responsibilities of a parent. Together they expressed the importance of education and through hard work, sacrifice, and admittedly by the hand of God, they were able and willing to provide the highest level of education for all of their children.

Maria is survived by her husband of sixty-six (66) years Jose Ramirez, Jr., and all except one of her children. Efrain, the eldest of the boys, passed away on July 10, 1969 at the age of eighteen (18). Undoubtedly, the most painful time of her life, she accepted the Lord's will and treasured his memory every day of her life and thanked the Lord throughout the day for her many blessings. The family is comforted by the thought that mother and son are again together.

The family she leaves behind to cherish her memory are eldest daughter Irma Nelda Ramirez and grandchildren Jennifer (great-grandchildren Quintyn and Carmyn), Monica, JoAnn (great grandchildren Isabella and Lisa Ann), and Wallace Martin; Jose Ramirez, III and wife Petra and grandchildren, Jose IV, Efrain, Antonio and Vanessa; Fernando Ramirez and wife Gail: Servando Ramirez and wife Dianette and grandchildren Maria Susana (great granddaughter Dallas), Servando, Jr. and Taylor; Gerardo Ramirez and grandchildren Anastasia and Ivan; Jaime Ramirez and wife Martha and grandchildren Victoria and Alejandro; Lisa Ann Garcia and husband Hiram and grandchildren Hiram, Jr. and Brianna; Anyisia Roxana Trevino and husband Jaime and grandchildren Jamie, Anysha, and Christian; Cesar Ramirez and wife Ilerette and grandchildren Laura, Cesar, Gabriela, and Fernando.

Maria's love and respect for her siblings was an example to all and never in question. She was always quick to stand by any of them and proud of their accomplishments. Maria enjoyed being called a Zamorita. Preceding Maria in death were beloved brothers Eugenio, Noe, Ruben, Julian, and Hector, and sisters and best friends Guadalupe Moreno and Belia Garza. Other Zamora siblings left to cherish her memory are Benilde (Ramirez), Juan, Soid, Hilda (Tomlinson), Guadalupe, Jr., Abelardo, Joel, and Noel.

Maria Z. Ramirez slipped away from the grasp of Jose Ramirez Jr. and into

the loving arms of Our Lord and Savior.

Family will receive friends today, May 24, 2015 and Monday, May 25, 2015 from 3 pm to 9 pm with a rosary recited at 7 pm both evenings at The Lord & I Memorial Chapel in Peñitas. Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, May 26, 2015 at 9:30 am at St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Peñitas. Interment will follow to Rio Grande Valley State Veteran's Cemetery in Mission. In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate donations made to MD Anderson in Mrs. Ramirez's honor. You are invited to sign the online guestbook at www.lordandifuneralhomes.com Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of The Lord & I Funeral Home of Peñitas.

Cemetery Details

Rio Grande Valley State Veterans Cemetery

2520 S Inspiration Rd.
Mission, TX 78572

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 24. 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

The Lord and I Funeral Home - Peñitas, TX
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Funeral Mass

MAY 26. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Anthony's Catholic Church
Penitas, TX 78576

Tribute Wall



“ *Maria Z. Ramirez*

October 08, 2023 at 11:35 AM



“ *Our heart-felt condolences go out to the Ramirez family during this time of great loss. We did not know María Ramirez personally, but we did know what a wonderful lady she was by listening to her daughter, Irma, speak so highly of her. Irma commented to me just how kind and loving her beautiful mother was to the children and grandchildren as well. It's difficult to lose a mother as sweet and kind-hearted as María Ramirez was, but each one of her children was lucky and fortunate enough to be influenced by this remarkable mother's sage advice. María Ramirez left a legacy on each person lucky enough to have known her. She's looking at all her family from heaven above and smiling proudly because she loves them with all her heart and soul. A mother's love is always in her children's soul, and all her children feel that love burning brightly in their hearts. God bless all of you and your beautiful, sweet mom who loves you with all her heart and continues to watch over you from the Lord's domain.*

Blessings to all of you.

Martha and Pedro Treviño

Martha E. Treviño - May 24, 2015 at 11:15 PM

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“ *May our Lord Jesus Christ console you, Servant and your whole family members with the loss of you beautiful mother. She will always look down at you, family and all her beautiful grand children. GOD BLESS, ROBERT, IRMA, ROXANA AND ROEL VELA.*

Irma Vela - May 24, 2015 at 03:51 PM

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“ *I can still remember the times when my aunts and uncles would get together. My mom, Lupita, would make sure that we would visit family every Sunday. My mom would make the rounds visiting Tia Belia who would then tag along to visit Tia Benilde and then they would finally visit Tia Maria. My cousins and I would sit outside in front of the house as the sisters talked endlessly inside. As we listened to them talk, it became very apparent the love they had for each other. They were sisters indeed but they were much more than that...they were best friends.*

As I moved away from Penitas, I learned a greater appreciation for family. Every visit to the valley would not have been complete if I had not visited my aunts. I will miss Tia Maria's words of wisdom and her wonderful smile.

May the Lord Jesus Christ bring you comfort.

Love,

Rosie, Robert, John and Michael Beck

Rosa Maria Moreno Beck - May 24, 2015 at 03:33 PM