



Elsie Sanchez Jaramillo

February 22, 1929 - January 7, 2026

Our beautiful mother (about one month short of age 97) passed away on January 7th, 2026. She died of natural causes. Services will take place at Romero Funeral Home Chapel on Sunday, February 22, 2026, beginning with a Visitation at 10:30 a.m., and a Celebration of Life at 11:00 a.m., Interment will be a private event per family. Elsie was born in Belen, New Mexico, on February 22, 1929, to her parents, J.M. Willie and Manuelita Sanchez. The Sanchez family later relocated to Santa Fe, New Mexico, where Elsie was raised with her mother and father and eight younger brothers and sisters. Elsie met, fell head-over-heels in love, and eventually married her beloved, Henry Jaramillo Jr, on August 21st, 1950.

The Lovely couple met in Santa Fe, where they both worked at the State Capitol. Elsie was employed as a secretary at New Mexico's ports of entry, and Henry was employed as a field auditor for the Bureau of Revenue when they met. They remained happily married and shared an exemplary, loving marriage for seventy-Five years. Elsie and Henry raised five children, Paulette, Judy, Eric, Eddie, and Cristina.

Elsie was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Henry Jaramillo, on August 20th, 2023, and two sons, Edward "Eddie" Jaramillo on May 29th, 2006, and Eric Jaramillo on August 18th, 2014. Elsie is survived by three daughters; Paulette, and her husband, Dennis Hale, Judy and her husband, Glen Haikin, and Cristina Jaramillo. She leaves behind seven grandchildren; Triana Burdick, Troy Hartman, Erica Montoya, James Jaramillo, Breanne

Serna, Jenna Jaramillo, and Michael Jaramillo, as well as nine Great-grandchildren; Christopher and Lila Burdick, Ben, Damion, Stefon, and Mercedes Montoya, Isabel and Sofia Jaramillo and Brielle Cordova; four Great- great-grandchildren Benjamin Montoya IV, Anorah Montoya, Marie Montoya, Dalila Montoya, and over 50 nephews and nieces. Elsie is also survived by four brothers; Al Sanchez and his wife, Josie of Santa Fe, Ray Sanchez of California, Andrew Sanchez of Albuquerque and Matthew Sanchez of California. She is also survived by her sister Barbara Martinez of California and sister-in-law, Nury Jaramillo of Colorado.

Elsie and her husband, Henry, were well known in the Belen community (and throughout the state) for their involvement in education, including the University of New Mexico, New Mexico State University Foundation, and many other organizations.

Elsie was devoted to her husband and children, whom she loved and cared for full-time with much devotion and support. She espoused so many values; love for God, generosity, love for music and the arts, and compassion. Elsie certainly was all about discipline, was a devout Catholic, believed in "cleanliness next to godliness" and in maintaining an impeccable reputation. She was also loved for her feisty spirit, her witty comebacks, and contagious laughter. Elsie was a voracious reader, a talented artist, and the penultimate homemaker.

Though life presented many challenges and disappointments, Elsie felt abundantly blessed, especially by her family. Now she has joined those members of her family that had predeceased her. May her soul rest in eternal peace with those she loved and lost too soon.

Dear precious mother, you will never be forgotten... until we meet again, dear mother.

In lieu of flowers, please give an offering and prayer to St. Jude's Children's Hospital or Shriners hospital for children.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **22**. 10:30 AM (MT)

Romero Funeral Home Chapel
609 N. Main St.
Belen, NM 87002
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Celebration of Life

FEB **22**. 11:00 AM (MT)

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Tribute Wall

IT

“ *Irma & Jaime Tamez lit a candle in memory of Elsie Sanchez Jaramillo*



Irma & Jaime Tamez - February 21 at 12:23 PM

RC

“ *Rafaelita Candelaria lit a candle in memory of Elsie Sanchez Jaramillo*



Rafaelita Candelaria - February 18 at 06:31 PM

BH

“ *PJ,
I was saddened to hear of your mother's passing. My deepest sympathies to you and your family.*

Bob Hakeem - February 15 at 01:07 AM

EG

“ *ELIZABETH M GARCIA lit a candle in memory of Elsie Sanchez Jaramillo*



ELIZABETH M GARCIA - February 09 at 09:00 PM

MS

“ Mj Sorenson lit a candle in memory of Elsie Sanchez Jaramillo



Mj Sorenson - February 03 at 09:41 PM

MS

My beautiful aunt, I will remember your kindness & hospitality you were known for. Blessings 🕊

Mj Sorenson - February 03 at 09:44 PM

DM

“ Judy & family, sorry to hear about the passing of your mom. You are in our thoughts and prayers! God bless you all. Diana DeBaca Mireles & the DeBaca Family

Diana DeBaca Mireles - January 20 at 03:42 PM

AB

“ Paulette, Judy & Cristina & family...Our Aunt Elsie will be remembered for her sweet, kind & gentle nature. She was loved & will be missed by so many. Rest in Peace Aunt Elsie!! 🌹🙏🕊

Milton & Annabelle



Annabelle Barela - January 20 at 03:33 PM

AN

Love and loved you .. dear Elsie... smile to the moon My mother is so happy!!!

anntherese.Jaramillo@gmail.com - February 02 at 07:01 AM

EB

“ On behalf of the Belen High School Class of 1972, we offer our heartfelt condolences to the family of Elsie Jaramillo Sanchez. May God’s comforting presence surround you in this time of sorrow, and may the love she shared continue to shine through each of you. We pray that her memory brings you peace, strength, and gentle reminders of the beautiful legacy she leaves behind. Holding your family in our thoughts and prayers.

— BHS Class of 1972
Ermelinda Baca, Class Reunion Secretary

Ermelinda Baca - January 15 at 02:43 PM

EB

“ Ermelinda Baca lit a candle in memory of Elsie Sanchez Jaramillo



Ermelinda Baca - January 15 at 02:43 PM



“ Judy,
I am saddened to hear the news of your mother. My aunt Rosalyn told me on Monday.
I will be praying for you and siblings and all your families. May God bring you all comfort.
Our most deepest condolences to you all. 🌹 🙏🙏🙏
Linda and Josephine Chavez

Linda Chavez - January 14 at 10:59 PM

DB

“ *Deborah Baca lit a candle in memory of Elsie Sanchez Jaramillo*



Deborah Baca - January 14 at 08:58 AM

SA

“ *Steven Alton lit a candle in memory of Elsie Sanchez Jaramillo*



Steven Alton - January 13 at 11:15 AM

SA

My prayers go out to Janelle and Glen and Christina and Paulette at the loss of their mother and I pray that the Lord God Almighty will watch over them and keep them safe in this time of grief and need. I knew Janelle and Glen and Christina, but I did not know Paulette And they're very very good friends so I hope and I pray for the whole family and for the love of Jesus Christ, becoming to their family and watch over them and keep them safe all the rest of the days of their lives Elsie was a nice person. I met her a few times And she was a caring, loving mother who love the Lord a Friend, Steve Alton.

Steven Alton - January 13 at 11:17 AM

GG

“ *Glen & Mary Gabaldon lit a candle in memory of Elsie Sanchez Jaramillo*



Glen & Mary Gabaldon - January 12 at 12:10 PM

AK

“ I'll always remember Aunt Elsie's welcoming heart and smile, she will be dearly missed! Psalm 34:18
Our love, thoughts and prayers are with you Paulette, Judy and Cristina. Love, Annalee and Gary

Annalee kuidis - January 11 at 12:55 AM

MS

“ Mj Sorenson lit a candle in memory of Elsie Sanchez Jaramillo



Mj Sorenson - January 10 at 08:36 PM

MS

Her beauty & laughter will be remembered †

Mj Sorenson - January 10 at 08:38 PM

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Mj Sorenson - January 10 at 08:41 PM

VV

“ Cristina and the rest of the Jaramillo family, I'm so sorry for your loss. Sending prayers for comfort and peace.



Valerie Valles-Marquez - January 10 at 08:15 PM



“ *Prayers of Peace for the Jaramillo family*



Angela - January 10 at 10:33 AM

AN

“ *Loved my aunt Elsiebeautiful inside and out.... Love of family....
She treated us like her own*

Anntherese - January 10 at 12:10 AM