



## Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos

February 1, 1947 - June 17, 2019

1947 -2019

Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos, age 72, a resident of Belen, NM, passed away peacefully, surrounded by her family on June 17, 2019. She grew up in Jarales and was raised by her parents, Justo and Josefita Mascarena and her grandmother, Gertruditas Padilla, who was also her namesake. Gertrude attended elementary school in Jarales and later attended Belen High School, where she graduated in 1965. She was an intelligent woman. Gertrude was so proud of having skipped a grade in elementary school. She went on to work for Blake's Lotaburger and Adelino Headstart, where she retired. Gertrude retired to take care of her grandkids, so her daughters could continue to work. Nana enjoyed cooking for her grandkids. They will always remember her mashed potatoes and macaroni's with tomato sauce. Her son-in-law will never forget the green chili bean burritos she would make especially for him. Gertrude was a woman of faith, who loved her God and Church. She was a member of Our Lady of Belen Catholic Church and the Catholic Daughters of America. Gertrude is survived by her husband, Lorenzo Gallegos, whom she loved dearly and was blessed to have celebrated 50 years of marriage on April 19th of this year. They met on a blind date and since then they were never apart. She is also survived by her children, Brenda and her husband Deacon Michael Montoya and Josephine Gallegos; her grandchildren, Loren, Anthony, and Abigail Montoya; her brothers and sisters, Ramona Torres

(Hernandez), Tino Mascarena (Betty), Mabel Torres (David), Nancy Mascarena, Boni Mascarena (Lucy), Leroy Mascarena (Sylvia), Kathy Cordova (Art), and like my mama would say, "her hito," Joseph Mascarena, who had a very special place in her heart; her sisters-in-law, Jennie Mascarena, Helen Baca and Shirley (Ralph) Baca; special friends, Frank and Louise Ortega, who have always been there for her. Gertrude is also survived by countless loving nieces and nephews. Services will take place at Our Lady of Belen Catholic Church, beginning on Thursday, June 20, 2019, with a Public Viewing at 5:00 PM and a Rosary to be recited at 6:00 PM. The Funeral Mass will be on Friday, June 21, at 10:00 AM. Interment will follow at Our Lady of Belen Memorial Gardens. Pallbearers will be Brian and Joey Mascarena, Kevin Torrez, Pete Trujillo, Frank Ortega and Wayne Gallegos. Please sign Gertrude's online tribute at [www.romerofuneralhomenm.com](http://www.romerofuneralhomenm.com) Romero Funeral Home, 609 N. Main St., Belen, NM

# Previous Events

## Viewing

JUN 20. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (MT)

Our Lady of Belen Catholic Church  
101 N. 10th Street  
Belen, NM 87002

## Rosary

JUN 20. 6:00 PM (MT)

Our Lady of Belen Catholic Church  
101 N. 10th Street  
Belen, NM 87002

## Funeral Mass

JUN 21. 10:00 AM (MT)

Our Lady of Belen Catholic Church  
101 N. 10th Street  
Belen, NM 87002

## Interment

JUN 21. 11:00 AM (MT)

Our Lady of Belen Memorial Gardens  
101 N. 10th Street  
Belen, NM 87002

# Tribute Wall

RU

“ *Ramon And Diana Phillips Ulibarri lit a candle in memory of Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos*



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**Ramon and Diana Phillips Ulibarri** - June 23, 2019 at 01:03 PM

MP

“ *We are very sorry for your tremendous loss.*



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**Maria Padilla** - June 22, 2019 at 07:49 PM

MP

“ *Maria Padilla lit a candle in memory of Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos*



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**Maria Padilla** - June 22, 2019 at 07:48 PM

CS

“ *Josephine and Family,*  
*Please accept my sincere condolences in the untimely passing of your beloved mother. I know she was a loving, supportive and devoted mother, wife and grandmother and was so very loved and cherished by her family.*  
*Prayers for peace, comfort and understanding.*  
*Fondly,*  
*Carolyn*

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**Carolyn Serafin-Abeyta** - June 21, 2019 at 05:44 PM

JF

“ *Jojola Family lit a candle in memory of Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos*



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**Jojola Family** - June 21, 2019 at 12:22 PM

RS

“ *"In Loving Memory of Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos"*

*Our most sincere condolences on your loss of Gertrude. She was Adam's classmate of "BHS Class of 65". Her beautiful smile will always be remembered. God Bless all of the Family at this most difficult time.*

*Sincerely,*  
*Ruby Salas & Family*



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**Ruby Salas** - June 21, 2019 at 11:10 AM

DI

“ *David, Jessica And Tyler Ingram lit a candle in memory of Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos*



David, Jessica and Tyler Ingram - June 21, 2019 at 08:48 AM

M(

“ *Mercy (Torres)Modesto lit a candle in memory of Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos*



Mercy (Torres)Modesto - June 20, 2019 at 10:44 PM

M(

“ *On behalf of the Torres /Modesto family we would like to extend our sincerest and deepest condolences to all the family....keeping you in prayer with love, Torres family (Leo, Frank, Mercy )*

Mercy (Torres)Modesto - June 20, 2019 at 10:43 PM

LP

“ *2 files added to the album Memories Album*



Lenore G Pena - June 20, 2019 at 10:41 PM

PT

“ We will miss Gertrude who was our neighbor and friend. She had such a beautiful smile and we loved to see her when she was outside with her grand children and husband. God be with you! Abram & Patsy Torres



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**Patsy Torres** - June 20, 2019 at 07:18 PM

LB

“ Gallegos and Mascarena Family.

*Gertrude will surely be missed. She is in the care of our Lord Jesus Christ. And we will see her in heaven. Our prayers are with you and your family at this time. love you all.*

*Deacon Jerry and Liz Baca*

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**liz Baca** - June 20, 2019 at 06:55 PM



“ *Mama you were my rock, my strength, my anchor. Michael and I always knew we could serve Gods people because you would be there to help raise our baby girl. Where do we go from now? They say one day at a time, I say one minute at a time. If I only knew. I send you on your way and pray for the day I’m with you again. Watch over our family, especially your grandchildren. We have so many questions, with no answers. Either way, God had this plan for you mama. No more pain.* ”



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**Brenda Gallegos Montoya** - June 20, 2019 at 06:31 PM

OR

“ Kathy and Family,

*You and family are in our hearts and thoughts as you bear the loss of Gertrude. She leaves behind a loving husband, family, the abandoned paths and muted meadows of Jarales which once felt her breath. May her soul's presence continue to ever be felt. She has fulfilled her mortal voyage and in keeping with her devoted belief is now in the arms of the Lord. May she rest peacefully in that eternal garden!*

*I submit condolences on behalf of Sue, our family and myself. May time bring solace to your grieving hearts.*

*We regret not being with you during this trying time.*

*Your cousin,*

*Oscar S. Ramirez*

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**Oscar Ramirez** - June 20, 2019 at 03:16 PM




DT

“ Dan & Donna Trujillo lit a candle in memory of Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos



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**Dan & Donna Trujillo** - June 20, 2019 at 03:11 PM

 Josephine Gallegos

“ *My beautiful mommy. I love you Josie.* ”



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**Josephine Gallegos** - June 20, 2019 at 02:52 PM

RC

“ *Roseann Chavez sent a virtual gift in memory of Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos* ”



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**Roseann Chavez** - June 20, 2019 at 02:28 PM

IB

“ *IDAMAY BALLEJOS lit a candle in memory of Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos* ”



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**IDAMAY BALLEJOS** - June 20, 2019 at 02:07 PM

BB

“ Aunt Gertrude was a kind and loving soul who was blessed to have her loving husband, Uncle Lawrence, for 50 years of marriage and her wonderful daughter's Brenda and Josie always by her side. You will be missed. We will always remember the good times. We love the Gallegos Family very much. May the peace of the Lord be with you. God Bless you all. Nephew and Cousin, Bruce Baca (Flo, Marissa and Josh).

Bruce Baca - June 20, 2019 at 01:03 PM

MB

“ Auntie Gertrude you will be missed....My Condolences to My uncle Lawrence and Brenda and Josie I am so sorry for your loss....may God bless you



Melissa Baca - June 20, 2019 at 12:22 PM

LP

“ Lenore G Pena lit a candle in memory of Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos



Lenore G Pena - June 20, 2019 at 12:21 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos.



June 20, 2019 at 11:36 AM

CA

“ *Carol Archuleta lit a candle in memory of Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos*



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**Carol Archuleta** - June 20, 2019 at 11:28 AM

GM

“ *Gary & Estefana Montoya lit a candle in memory of Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos*



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**Gary & Estefana Montoya** - June 19, 2019 at 11:10 PM

GM

*Our deepest condolences to the Mascarena and Gallegos families.*

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**Gary & Estefana Montoya** - June 19, 2019 at 11:11 PM

SH

“ *My deep condolences to Gertrude's family. She and I were classmates at Belen High School, class of 1965. I was always happy to see her when we would run into each other.*

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**Susie Sharp Henington** - June 19, 2019 at 09:37 PM

DS

“ *Donnie Stewart lit a candle in memory of Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos*



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**Donnie Stewart** - June 19, 2019 at 09:35 PM

EF

“ We will miss auntie gertrude always shes with uncle artie and my dad crazy eddie in heaven .uncle lawrence ,Josie,Brenda you are all in our prayers we love you guys and will always be here no matter what.may God keep you strong through this tough time god bless you all.



Edawg and Crystal zamora and family - June 19, 2019 at 09:23 PM

LR

“ I was so sadend to hear about my Aunty Gertrude my love and prayers are with my Uncle Lawrence and her daughters Josephine and Brenda and her grand children she will be missed ❤️

Lorraine Romero - June 19, 2019 at 09:13 PM

LR

“ Lorraine Romero lit a candle in memory of Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos



Lorraine Romero - June 19, 2019 at 09:05 PM

RK

“ Robert Marilyn Kaneshiro lit a candle in memory of Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos



Robert Marilyn Kaneshiro - June 19, 2019 at 07:10 PM



“ *Caroline Garcia lit a candle in memory of Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos*



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**Caroline Garcia** - June 19, 2019 at 07:03 PM



“ *Viola Gabaldon lit a candle in memory of Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos*



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**Viola Gabaldon** - June 19, 2019 at 05:43 PM



*May she Rest In Peace. She and I grew up in Jarales.*

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**Viola Gabaldon** - June 19, 2019 at 05:45 PM



“ *Lawrence And Dolores Contreras sent a virtual gift in memory of Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos*

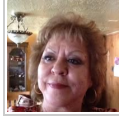


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**Lawrence and Dolores Contreras** - June 19, 2019 at 04:31 PM



*Lawrence, Brenda, and Josie, may God Bless and comfort you during this difficult time. Our prayers are with you. Your cousins, Country and Dolores.*

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**Lawrence and Dolores Contreras** - June 19, 2019 at 04:55 PM



*May God be with you all and comfort you during this difficult time. Your cousins Gene and Evelyn Gallegos.*

**Evelyn Gallegos** - June 19, 2019 at 05:11 PM

OG

“ *Oralia Garcia lit a candle in memory of Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos*

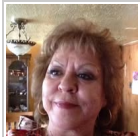


**Oralia Garcia** - June 19, 2019 at 03:48 PM

OG

“ *Tony and Oralia Garcia*

**Oralia Garcia** - June 19, 2019 at 03:47 PM



“ *Evelyn Gallegos lit a candle in memory of Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos*



**Evelyn Gallegos** - June 19, 2019 at 03:22 PM

DR

“ *Dicky And Suzanne Romero lit a candle in memory of Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos*



**Dicky and Suzanne Romero** - June 19, 2019 at 02:47 PM

CD

“ *Corine S. Duran lit a candle in memory of Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos*



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**Corine S. Duran** - June 19, 2019 at 02:04 PM

CS

“ *My heartfelt condolences to Gertrude's family. Gertrude and I worked together for many years. And Gertrude quite frankly was one of a kind. She was a hardworking, dependable and trustworthy co-worker! Her beautiful smile would light up a room, even under stressful situations.*

*I will never forget this beautiful soul. I can't even begin to imagine how devastated her family must be! My thoughts and prayers will be with you all during this difficult!*

*With all Sincerity,  
Clarita Serafin*

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**Ckara Serafin** - June 19, 2019 at 01:39 PM

FB

“ *Felicia Baca lit a candle in memory of Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos*



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**Felicia Baca** - June 19, 2019 at 01:30 PM

SA

“ *My sincere condolences to Gertrude's family. I graduated in 1965 with her. We will miss her.*

Shari Allen - June 19, 2019 at 11:24 AM

BM

“ *My Aunt Gertrude is now with my dad Artie. They were so close here on earth and my dad will show her the way. RIP Auntie Gertrude.*



Bryan, Stephanie and Chris Mascarena - June 18, 2019 at 11:31 PM

BM

“ *Bryan, Stephanie And Chris Mascarena lit a candle in memory of Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos*



Bryan, Stephanie and Chris Mascarena - June 18, 2019 at 11:24 PM

PT

“ *Lawerence , Brenda, Josephine our prayers are with you during this difficult time. Gods. With you now. Peter & Gloria*

Peter & Gloria Torres - June 18, 2019 at 10:21 PM

PT

“ Peter & Gloria Torres lit a candle in memory of Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos



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**Peter & Gloria Torres** - June 18, 2019 at 10:17 PM

PT

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**Peter & Gloria Torres** - June 18, 2019 at 10:17 PM

BM

“ Bonnie S Montoya lit a candle in memory of Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos



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**Bonnie S Montoya** - June 18, 2019 at 09:40 PM

BM

*RIP beautiful sweet lady*

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**Bonnie S Montoya** - June 18, 2019 at 09:40 PM

BC

“ *Bernie And Jean Chavez sent a virtual gift in memory of Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos*



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**Bernie and Jean Chavez** - June 18, 2019 at 08:03 PM

FS

“ *Frances Silva lit a candle in memory of Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos*



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**Frances Silva** - June 18, 2019 at 07:31 PM

JM

“ *Jennie Mascarena lit a candle in memory of Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos*



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**Jennie Mascarena** - June 18, 2019 at 03:52 PM

AC

“ *Annette E. Chavez lit a candle in memory of Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos*



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**Annette E. Chavez** - June 18, 2019 at 03:33 PM

AC

“ *Lawrence, Josie, Brenda and family---I am so sorry to hear of Gertrude's passing. All your family has always been so good to me. I am going to miss Gertrude very much.. Please know your family are all in my thoughts and prayers.*

*Annette E. Chavez*

**Annette E. Chavez** - June 18, 2019 at 03:32 PM

RG

*Lawrence, Josie, Brenda and families. I am so sorry to hear of Gertrudes passing. She was such a nice and beautiful lady. She is in a much h better place now. You will all be in my prayers. Rose Agnes Garcia.*

**Rose A. Garcia** - June 18, 2019 at 05:21 PM

LM

“ *Leroy Mascarena lit a candle in memory of Gertrude Mascarena Gallegos*



**Leroy Mascarena** - June 18, 2019 at 01:19 PM

LM

*Will miss u sister. Will never forget u. Love your brother.*

**Leroy Mascarena** - June 18, 2019 at 01:21 PM

RC

*To the family we are heartfelt to losing another cousin. (Prima Hermana) Lawrence and children even if we didn't see each other after high school we feel your loss. as we grew up together.. Robert (Bobby) and Roberta Castaneda.*

**Robert Castaneda** - June 19, 2019 at 10:59 AM