



Gloria Sanchez

April 11, 1937 - December 26, 2025

1937- 2025

Gloria Sanchez, a loved and proud resident of Belen, NM, passed away on December 26, 2025. Gloria will be dearly missed by family, friends and loved ones. She will be laid to rest alongside her beloved husband, Sonny, at Our Lady of Belen Memorial Gardens on January 14, 2026 at 10:30am.

Gloria is preceded in death by her loving husband, Fernandez "Sonny" Garley Sanchez; parents, Jose L. And Onesima Padilla Salaz; paternal grandparents, Salvador and Carlota Salaz and maternal grandparents, Juan and Loganda Padilla. Gloria is survived by children Raymond Sanchez and Renee Sanchez Brookbank; grandchildren, Michael, Francesca, Lindsey, Spencer, Sydney and 5 great grandchildren and siblings, Joe, Frances, Charlotte and Catherine Salaz. Gloria was a devoted member of Our Lady of Belen Catholic Church. She volunteered with the City of Belen for over 30 years and one of her proudest accomplishments, alongside of her husband, was the founding of the Belen 9/11 Memorial Park. Gloria proudly called herself a farmer's daughter, she loved entertaining, cooking, dancing, country music and was known for her wonderful sense of humor and passion for poetry. In her later years, Gloria continued her college education and won awards for her poetry.

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JAN 14. 10:00 AM (MT)

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

Tribute Wall

MG

“ *Manuel Ane Carmen Garley lit a candle in memory of Gloria Sanchez*



Manuel ane Carmen Garley - January 12 at 12:08 AM

LK

“ *Our deepest condolences, The Kaihewalu Family*



Lisa M Kaihewalu - January 10 at 09:06 AM

KC

Sonny and Gloria were very kind and hospitable to me and my husband when we first moved next door to them many years ago. My deepest condolences to Gloria's family and friends. Kathryn Caleb

Kathryn Caleb - January 11 at 01:05 PM

LG

“ *To all my. cousins. I am so sorry to hear about Gloria. You are all in my prayers. Looking back, we all had some wonderful times together. My love and condolences to all.*



LORETTA GABALDON - January 07 at 12:17 PM

ML

“ *Mark And Crissie Leyba lit a candle in memory of Gloria Sanchez*



Mark and Crissie Leyba - January 06 at 01:48 PM

GG

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



Glen & Mary Gabaldon - January 06 at 12:21 PM