



Helen S. Garcia

August 7, 1944 - January 1, 2024

1944-2024

We announce the passing of Helen S. Garcia on January 1, 2024, at the age of 79.

Her family, friends, and faith surrounded Helen during her last days. Services for Helen will be held at San Miguel Catholic Church on Saturday, January 20, 2024, beginning with a Visitation at 9:00 a.m. followed by a Rosary at 10:00 a.m., with a Funeral Mass to be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Interment will follow at La Sagrada Familia cemetery in Lemitar. She was a cherished wife and beloved mother and grandmother. Born in Socorro, New Mexico, her life was a testament to love, compassion, and unwavering dedication to family and the Catholic Church. Her nurturing spirit extended beyond her immediate family as she befriended and opened her home to many people. Helen loved to sew and crochet, often gifting her creations to family, friends, and neighbors.

Helen is survived by the love of her life, her husband of 60 years, Julian; her daughters Patricia

(Rosabeth) and Sandra (Rosemary); son Julian (Shaun); grandchildren Gabrielle Mendoza, Jaclynn Mendoza, Julian A. Garcia, and John Garcia; great-grandson Elias Padilla; and Rick and Connie Apache, special friends who she considered her children.

Helen is also survived by her sisters Polly Saiz and Isabel Padilla (Sam) and

sisters-in-law Rosalie Martindale (Edward) and Marylou Barreras (Jerry).

She is preceded in death by her parents, Joe M. and Crusita Santillanes; her in-laws, Lavro and Ramona Garcia; her brothers, Rocky Santillanes and Donato Santillanes; and her brother-in-law, Joe Garcia.

Special thanks to Claudia Maldonado and Blanca Acosta for their compassionate, gentle care.

Urn bearers will be her grandchildren, Gabrielle Mendoza, Jaclynn Mendoza, Julian A. Garcia, and John Garcia. Honorary urn bearers are Rick and Connie Apache and her cousin, Albert Garcia

Please sign Helen's online tribute at www.romerofuneralhomenm.com Romero Funeral Home, 609 N. Main St., Belen, NM.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 20. 9:00 AM (MT)

San Miguel Catholic Church
403 El Camino Real
Socorro, NM 87801

Rosary

JAN 20. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (MT)

San Miguel Catholic Church
403 El Camino Real
Socorro, NM 87801

Funeral Mass

JAN 20. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (MT)

San Miguel Catholic Church
403 El Camino Real
Socorro, NM 87801

Interment

JAN 20. 11:30 AM (MT)

La Sagrada Familia Cemetery
Lemitar, NM 87823

Tribute Wall

MT

“ *Maggie Taylor lit a candle in memory of Helen S. Garcia*



Maggie Taylor - March 04, 2024 at 10:52 PM

GG

“ *My deepest condolences to Julian and the entire family. My memories of Helen is her kind and sincere attitude always.*

Gil Gonzales - January 25, 2024 at 07:03 PM

LR

“ *Sending prayers for comfort and deepest sympathy, Julian and all the family. The world won't be the same without Helen. Her warmth, humor, friendship, giving spirit, loyalty - so much to treasure. She touched many lives and won't be forgotten. We're thinking of and praying for you all.*



Lynne Robertson - January 17, 2024 at 09:31 AM

LA

“ *Liza Apache lit a candle in memory of Helen S. Garcia*



Liza Apache - January 16, 2024 at 05:13 PM

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Patricia Garcia-Sais - January 15, 2024 at 04:56 PM

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Patricia Garcia-Sais - January 15, 2024 at 04:53 PM

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Patricia Garcia-Sais - January 15, 2024 at 04:52 PM

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Patricia Garcia-Sais - January 15, 2024 at 04:49 PM



“ I love you so much my grandma ❤️ thank you for always being the best grandma ever, your angel misses you so much



Gabby Mendoza - January 15, 2024 at 01:11 PM

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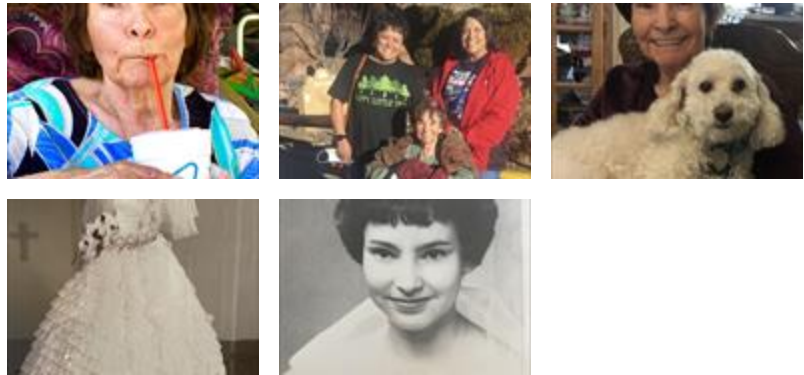
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Patricia Garcia-Sais - January 15, 2024 at 12:12 AM

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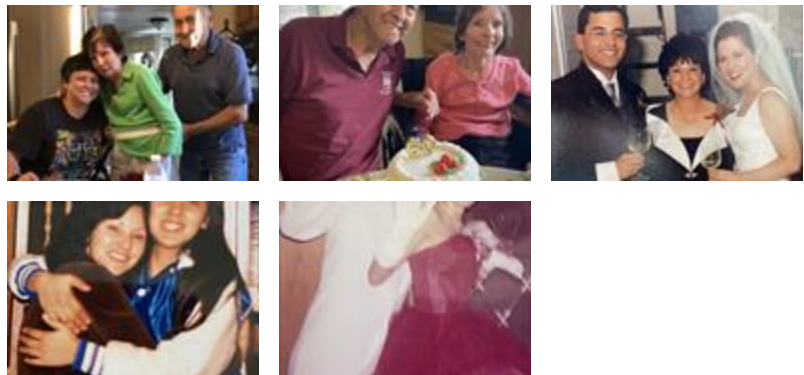
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Patricia Garcia-Sais - January 14, 2024 at 11:57 PM

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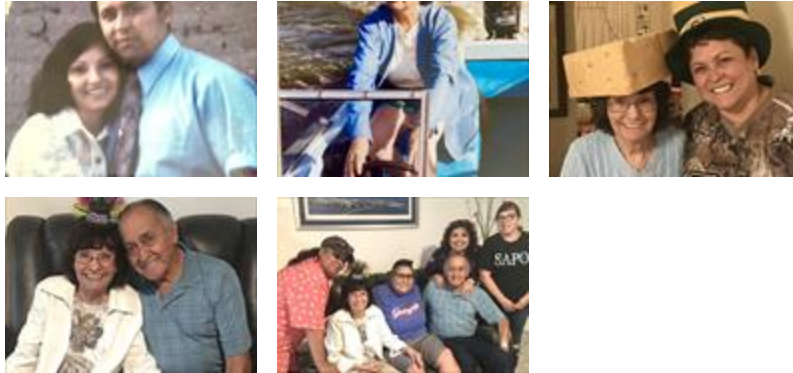
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Patricia Garcia-Sais - January 14, 2024 at 11:55 PM

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Patricia Garcia-Sais - January 14, 2024 at 11:53 PM

SG

“ Trish and Rosabeth,

My condolences to your whole family with all my love from your Auntie Sandra.

In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also.

John 14:1-3 (NKJV)



Sandra Griego - January 12, 2024 at 10:01 PM

CC

“ *I will miss you beautiful lady. May the Lord's perpetual light shine upon you. Julian and family my condolences. Peace and Blessings.*



Christina Gonzales Carnagey - January 12, 2024 at 01:40 PM

PS

“ *A candle for my beloved sister.*



Polly Saiz - January 10, 2024 at 12:14 AM

HB

“ *Our deepest condolences to Julian and family. May your mothers memory be eternal. May she rest in peace.*

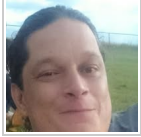


Helen and Bobby - January 09, 2024 at 10:16 PM

LL

“ *My Condolences to the Family. May she rest in Peace.*

Laurene Latasa - January 09, 2024 at 06:17 PM



“ My condolences to Trish, Sandra, Julian, Julian and families; Mrs. Garcia was a wonderful lady. May she Rest in Paradise and May the Lord Grant You All Peace!!



Lorraine Chavez - January 09, 2024 at 12:00 PM

CL

“ I am heartbroken to hear of Helen's passing. Her and Julian were always the sweetest to me. Helen always asked how I was doing even if she was not feeling well. I will miss her kind words and how she always had the brightest smile. Many prayers hugs and Love to her family.

Cathleen Lucero - January 09, 2024 at 03:00 AM

MP

“ Helen will always have special place in my heart. She touched the lives of many including mine. Growing up Trisha and I and other friends always seemed to get into trouble here and there. But in the eyes of our parents we were angels! As we grew older and spoke of our shenanigans, Helen would say she knew what we were up too! Could never pass anything by our parents, although I did not see or speak to Helen daily, to this day Trisha and I remain good friends and she's kept me posted about her parents. My family and I were saddened to hear the news of Helen's passing. May Helen Rest In Peace and God comfort those that are left behind. Prayers to Julian, Trisha, Sandra and little Julian and their families.

Melissa Pineda - January 08, 2024 at 09:50 PM

LZ

“ Auntie Helen, you were such a huge part of my growing up years. I remember many times coming home from school and finding you and my mom either going over the Avon brochure for our latest order or figuring out how make the latest crochet project. You were so incredibly helpful to my mom as she became more ill. I'll always love you and treasure all the memories I have. Good bless you!

Lorry Zaman - January 08, 2024 at 06:06 PM