



## Joe R. Perea

February 2, 2012

Joe R. Perea Sr., age 85, a life-long resident of Peralta, NM was called to join the love of his life “Louisa” on Tuesday, January 31, 2012. Joe was a member of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. He was a veteran of WWII who saw action in the Philippine Islands and later served in the Occupation Forces in Japan. After his army service, he was employed by Sandia Base in the department of finance and accounting. Later, he helped organize the original Community Action Program and the Head Start program in director of the senior citizens program in Valencia County. Joe was preceded in death by his parents, Donaciano and Carmen Aragon Perea and loving wife, Louisa Perea. Joe is survived by his three children, Joe Jr., and Tom Schellenbach, Teresa Sanchez and husband, Jose and Patsy Chavez and husband, Lito; grandchildren, Sean Marquez, Joe Perea III, Margaret Rivera, James Sanchez; Tomas Sanchez, Luis Chavez and Anna Brieden; five great-grandchildren and sisters, Prudy Mondragon and husband, Ramon, Bea Aragon and husband, Tony and Palmira Hay and husband, Steve. All services will be held at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church, on Monday, February 6, beginning with a visitation at 9:00 a.m. with a Funeral Mass to be celebrated at 10:00 a.m. Interment will be held at a later date at the Valencia Catholic Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family request that donations be made to Our Lady of Guadalupe Altar Society, 3674 Highway 47, Peralta, NM 87042. Sign Joe’s online register book at [www.romerofuneralhomenm.com](http://www.romerofuneralhomenm.com). Romero Funeral Home, 609 N. Main St., Belen, NM.