



Mela Otero Perea

August 21, 1930 - December 7, 2013

1930-2013

Mela Otero Perea, age 83, a resident of Los Lunas, NM passed away at Belen Meadows Nursing Home on Saturday, December 7, 2013. She was a member of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Peralta. Mela was retired from Los Lunas Schools where she was a baker for 25 years. She was also a grandma with the foster grandparent program at Katherine Gallegos Elementary. She loved working with her school kids. Mela was always working on her yard cutting weeds and working with her roses and flowers. She loved flowers. She was preceded in death by her parents, Rumaldo and Louisa Ortega Otero; husband, Johnnie Perea; son, Michael Perea; three brothers, Lesmen Raymond and Rumaldo Jr. Mela is survived by her loving children, Tranquilino, Berto, Ruben and wife, Renee, Johnny Jr., Leonard and wife, Betty, Ofelia Diaz and husband, Johnny, Catherine Jojola and husband, Pat; 15 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; one sister, Lucy LaPorte and husband, Richer; and one sister-in-law, Elizabeth Otero. She is also survived by her loving nieces, nephews, and cousins. All services will be held at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Peralta, beginning with a Viewing on Monday, December 9, at 7:00 p.m. with a Rosary to be recited at 7:30 p.m. A Final Visitation will be held on Tuesday, December 10, at 9:30 a.m. with a Funeral Mass to be celebrated at 10:00 a.m. with Father Hoi Tran presiding. Interment will follow at Valencia Catholic Cemetery. Pallbearers will be her

sons, Tranquilino, Berto, Ruben, Johnny Jr., Leonard, son-in-laws, Johnny Diaz, Pat Jojola and Armando Reyes. The family would like to thank the staff at Belen Meadows, Foster Grandparents Program in Los Lunas and the staff at Katherine Gallegos Elementary and Dr. Joseph Aragon and his Staff. Sign Mela's online tribute at www.romerofuneralhomenm.com Romero Funeral Home, 609 N. Main St., Belen, NM

Cemetery Details

Valencia Catholic Cemetery

Peralta, NM 87042

Previous Events

Viewing

DEC 9. 7:00 PM (MT)

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church
3674 Highway 47
Peralta, NM 87042

Rosary

DEC 9. 7:30 PM (MT)

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Final Viewing and Mass

DEC 10. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (MT)

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Tribute Wall

AA

“ *Lamento mucho la pérdida de su ser amado. Estoy segura que está pasando por un tiempo muy difícil ya que la muerte de un ser querido deja un gran vacío en el corazón. Algo que me ayudó mucho a mi es el consuelo que da la palabra de Dios, La Biblia. Si tiene una Biblia, le invito a que busque los textos de Juan 5:28, 29, Revelación 21; 3,4 y Hechos 24: 15. Ahí vera que se nos da la bella esperanza de la resurrección. Esto nos deja saber que en un futuro, ¡vamos a poder ver a nuestros seres queridos nuevamente, incluyendo a su ser amado! ¿Se puede imaginar el gozo que tendremos?*

Quisiera compartir más con usted esta magnífica esperanza. Con dicho pensamiento en mente, le invito a visitar el siguiente enlace: <http://www.JW.org/es/publicaciones/libros/tratado-muertos-volver-a-vir/> Ahí encontrara un artículo que habla más al respecto.

AAK - February 07, 2014 at 06:29 AM

VA

“ *I would like to extend my deep condolence of the loss of your loved one. The Lord's promise of a resurrection in John 5:28 gives comfort to millions and I hope it comforts you too. If you would like to know more about this promise and life on a paradise earth, please visit www.jw.org May Jehovah the God of all comfort grant you peace.*

vanessa - January 04, 2014 at 12:33 PM

MS

“Wow This is heartbreaking :(we just heard about Grandma Mela passing. We extend our sincerest condolences to the whole family. She was a lovely lady who shared her time in love with both my children, Jacob and Sophia Saavedra at Katherine Gallegos Elementary. She was truly God sent and a Blessed human being. We miss her Greatly.

Mike & Grace Saavedra - December 20, 2013 at 07:01 PM

SU

“There are so many memories I have growing up in Peralta with your family. The fun Halloweens we would walk from one end to the other end of Peralta. Even when they jumped me and stole my candy. Everyone shared theirs with me, I ended up with more candy than anyone. But we all stuck together. One of my fondest memories of Mela is when she was watching me when my mom was in the hospital having Barbara. When I would cry, for any reason, Mela would tell me, "Don't cry mi heta, save your tears for when I die". I prayed I would never see that day. She looked so beautiful as usual. Also, Thank you most of all for always being there for our family. We will never forget the night daddy died, and your family were all in the kitchen at my mom and dad's when we got home, with coffee and refreshments for everyone. God Bless each of you, we all love you.

Sandra (Marquez) Urias nanaurias19@yahoo.com

Sandra (Marquez) Urias - December 16, 2013 at 01:18 PM

MC

“So sorry to hear the passing of your mother the center of our lifes. Thinking of you all, at this sad time and wishing you comfort in the days ahead.

michael chavez - December 13, 2013 at 02:04 PM

RG

“ *My condolences to the Perea family in their loss. Your mom is resting in peace now, no more suffering. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Bobby Gallegos*

Robert P Gallegos - December 11, 2013 at 05:41 PM

AC

“ *Our deepest sympathy to all of Mrs. Perea's family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this trying time. May she rest in peace and may God bless all of you.*
Art and Toni Castillo



Art & Toni Castillo - December 11, 2013 at 01:18 PM

JB

“ *Catherine & Family,*

We were saddened to learn of the passing of your dear Mom, my girls will always have the memory of your Mom when they were young and she use to tell them that she was going to put there daddy in her pocket, they still laugh.

Your family will be in our thoughts and prayers.

Jessey & Margaret Baca



Jessey & Margaret Baca - December 09, 2013 at 07:15 PM

YG

“ I want to offer my condolences to the Perea family and extended family for your loss. One of my fondest memories is watching Mela walk by the gas station to take the grandchildren to school at Katherine Gallegos. I always thought: wow, I want to be full of energy and life at that age. She would always wave and say hi as I was standing outside. Another memory is how much she loved to have her house decorated for the holidays. Her Christmas lights made the whole Main Street shine brightly. I admired how the family would pitch in. It made me sad when I didn't see them this year, but I did see family members watching the Christmas light parade. I believe she's in heaven watching over all of you and not having to suffer any more pain. God bless, Yvonne "Bonnie" Gonzales-Moya.

Yvonne Gonzales - December 09, 2013 at 06:41 PM

RR

“ Robert, Judi, John Michael, ReyAnn, and Jacob Rivera purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mela Otero Perea.



Robert, Judi, John Michael, ReyAnn, and Jacob Rivera -
December 09, 2013 at 05:57 PM

PL

“ *Cathy and Family: So many wonderful memories filled my heart as I learned of your mom's passing, because she touched so many of us with her love, her smile and her spirit. She truly was that 'grandma' everyone cherished and loved, she spread 'grandma love' wherever she went and with whomever she met or visited with.*

I have special memories from working with your Mom and Grandmother, she always honored me by calling me "Mr. Luna," even after we retired, even though I asked her to call me by my first name, she couldn't. Your mother and grandmother was a lady of honor and such respect, I will always treasure that!

May each of you find peace during this difficult time, may each of you keep Mrs. Perea's love alive through the memories you have of her, may she watch over you each and every day with her love and grace!

I will cherish the time I spent with her, it was always a true Blessing to be around her to enjoy her humor, her laughter, her smile and her love! I will miss not getting her Christmas card in the mail, but I know she will be joining the Choir of Angels!

Many Blessings to each of you . . . 'Mr. Luna,' Paul T. Luna.

Paul T. Luna - December 09, 2013 at 02:49 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mela Otero Perea.*



December 09, 2013 at 12:28 PM

SL

“ I will miss Grandma Mela's smile, heart. stories and her always telling me you are in my prayers. I am so blessed to have met this wonderful lady and have had her as my classroom grandma. All of my students miss you Grandma Mela. We love you and know you are flying with the angels.

Love,
Shawnda Lumpkin
Mrs. Lumpkin
KGE Sped Teacher

Shawnda Lumpkin - December 09, 2013 at 12:15 PM

VH

You all have my deepest sympathy in the passing of your mother. Please be comforted by the though that she is no longer suffering. May the Lord bless each of you. Velma

Velma Hardesty - December 09, 2013 at 06:20 PM

PS

“ Peggy Salas lit a candle in memory of Mela Otero Perea



Peggy Salas - December 09, 2013 at 11:12 AM

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“ Lost with words and yet great memories of Mela and family growing up back in the day. Mela will be missed and always and forever in our heart. May your soul rest in peace. God be with the Perea family. Yolanda (Marquez) Serna.

Yolanda (Marquez)Serna - December 09, 2013 at 04:08 AM