



## Stella DeBaca

March 29, 1930 - March 26, 2024

1930-2024

Stella M. DeBaca, age 93, a resident of Los Lunas, NM, passed away on March 26, 2024, surrounded by the love of her devoted children, sisters, and their spouses, brother and her caregivers at her home in Adelino NM. Services will take place on Thursday, April 4, 2024, at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, beginning with a Visitation at 10:30 a.m., followed by a Rosary at 11:30 a.m. and Funeral Mass to be celebrated at 12:00 p.m. Interment will follow at Tome Catholic Cemetery. She is survived by daughter, Diana Mireles (Joel); son, Daniel DeBaca (Rosa), and her dear Angel "Renee" DeBaca; grandchildren, Bridget Rodriguez (Rene), Candace Ramirez (Jason) and Alejandro DeBaca; great grandchildren, Ethan, Emilio, Eric, Eli, Ean, Jason and Rafael; siblings, Bertha Barreras (Jerome), Tony Moya, Connie Baca (Lorenzo); sister in law, Margret Moya; and many nieces and nephews. Stella is preceded in death by her Loving husband, Dan M. DeBaca; and parents, son, Ralph A DeBaca; siblings, Amarante Moya, Lucy Peralta and Gilbert Moya, and many other relatives and friends. She was born in 1930, in Adelino, NM to Antonio and Emilia Moya . Stella was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, aunt and friend to all who knew her. She had a passion for persons with developmental disabilities. Stella's family and friends will always remember her as the spirited, kind and caring person who loved and lived for her children. She loved the Lord and always showed compassion and forgiveness. She was the first bus driver for students with disabilities in Belen and then a school bus driver for Belen Consolidated Schools for 25 years. Stella will greatly be missed by her family and everyone that knew her. Her strength, compassion, sense of humor and legacy will remain in our hearts forever. Pallbearers will be Alejandro DeBaca, Ethan Garland, Eric Rodriguez, Joel Mireles, Tony Moya and Boleslo Romero. Honorary Pallbearers will be Daniel DeBaca, Rene, Emilio, Eli, Ean Rodriguez, Jason Ramirez and Rafael Ramirez. Please sign Stella's online tribute at [www.romerofuneralhomenm.com](http://www.romerofuneralhomenm.com) Romero Funeral Home, 609 N. Main St., Belen, NM.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 4. 10:30 AM (MT)

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church  
7 Church Loop  
Tome, NM 87060

## Rosary

APR 4. 11:30 AM (MT)

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church  
7 Church Loop  
Tome, NM 87060

## Interment

APR 4. 1:00 PM (MT)

Tome Catholic Cemetery  
Tome, NM 87060

## Funeral Mass

APR 4 (MT)

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church  
7 Church Loop  
Tome, NM 87060

# Tribute Wall

GD

“ *Diane, I am so sorry for the loss of ur Mom. My thoughts n prayers r with u n ur family. Gina Chavez Donoghue*

Gina Chavez Donoghue - May 01, 2024 at 06:26 PM



“ *My Deepest Heartfelt Condolances to all her family n friends..*



Kathy Moya - April 15, 2024 at 09:59 AM

PC

“ *Diana and Danny my deepest condolences on the loss of your beautiful Mom. May she rest in peace. I know how hard it is to lose your mom, sending peace, love, and comfort your way.*

Pam Cordova - April 12, 2024 at 05:04 PM

BB

“ *Dear family, my heart felt condolences goes out to all in this sorrowful time of departure.  
I will always remember my beautiful cousin Stella, her bright eyes, smile and kindness. Let us find comfort in knowing it won't be long before we are once again reunited as prophecy are being fulfilled.  
With much love, always & forever Elizabeth Baca (Lisa)*

BE Baca - April 08, 2024 at 11:58 PM

GD

*Diane,so sorry for the loss of ur Mom.My prayers r with u n ur family.*

Gina Chavez Donoghue - April 15, 2024 at 12:10 AM

FW

“ *Frieda And Jerry Worrall lit a candle in memory of Stella DeBaca*



Frieda and Jerry Worrall - April 06, 2024 at 11:21 AM

JY

“ *John Yan lit a candle in memory of Stella DeBaca*



John Yan - April 05, 2024 at 12:31 PM

JY

*Dan, so sorry to hear of your loss, my thoughts and prayers to you and your family. May your mom rest in peace and memories bring you comfort*

John Yan - April 05, 2024 at 12:32 PM

JS

“ *Dan and DeBaca family, I am so sorry for your loss. Your mom was a kind and graceful person. God provided you with such a wonderful mom for 93 years! God please be with the family. My prayers are with you.*  
*Love , Jeanine Sachs*



jeanine sachs - April 04, 2024 at 04:00 PM

LB

“ *Dear Dan and DeBaca Family, We are so sorry to hear of your great loss. We did not have the pleasure of meeting your mother. We can only imagine what a kind and caring mother she was, because of the kind and caring person you are. She left the world a better place. Many prayers to you and your family. Love, Lisa and Bert*



Lisa and Bert - April 04, 2024 at 11:46 AM

JP

“ *Jeremy Peralta sent a virtual gift in memory of Stella DeBaca*



Jeremy Peralta - April 04, 2024 at 10:14 AM

GA

“ Dani and Family, I'm sorry for your loss our thoughts and prayers are with you and Stella. Stella was such a great woman and no doubt a wonderful wife and mother, her lessons and love continues with the younger generations. I will always remember her with love, all her kindness and friendliness it was always a pleasure to meet her and conversate. Rest in peace Grandma now you look after your loved ones from heaven along with Grandpa and Ralph.



Gaby Araujo - April 04, 2024 at 03:11 AM

MI

“ Heartfelt prayers and condolences to you Diana, your sister and brother, and all your mother's family and friends on her passing. Her unwavering faith has led her to her glory, safe in the arms of Our Lord. It would be hard to find a stronger, finer woman and surely you have a wonderful legacy that you are carrying on in her footsteps. May your memories console you and give you peace and understanding and hope to be reunited one sweet day.

Michelle - April 04, 2024 at 12:25 AM

MS

“ Mark Sachs lit a candle in memory of Stella DeBaca



Mark Sachs - April 03, 2024 at 08:30 PM

MA

“ Nuestro más sentido pésame, ante la partida al cielo de tu Mamá; ten por seguro que ella está con tu Papá y tu Hermano, en un lugar mejor en donde no hay dolor y no hace frío... un fuerte abrazo Dani... Miguel Araujo

Miguel Araujo - April 03, 2024 at 05:30 PM

GT

“ Gloria Trujillo lit a candle in memory of Stella DeBaca



Gloria Trujillo - April 03, 2024 at 04:26 PM

MA

“ *Diana and Family. Our condolences and prayers to you all.*



Marcos Sanchez, Angela & Andrew Aranda - April 03, 2024 at 03:27 PM

TO

“ *Grandma I know there is a Party in heaven for your arrival!! Although our hearts will miss you and not having you here physically hurts us. We are certain that you are with God our our father, your family, along side of our grandpa Dan and your son Ralph.*

*We will never forget you grandma.*

*Don't worry about Renee, she has lots of family who love her and each of us will do our best to love her and take care of her as you would have wanted.*

*Thank you for everything...*

*Love You Toti ☐ 🙏*



Toti - April 02, 2024 at 11:24 PM

LA

“ *Dan and Family, Thoughts and prayers to you and your family. I remember meeting your mom back when you and I first started working together. Wonderful lady! She raised a great son and friend!*



Loran Anderson - April 02, 2024 at 05:14 PM

RO

“ *My condolences and prayers got out to you all! May God comfort you during this difficult time! 🙏 ☐*

Roxanne - April 01, 2024 at 11:21 PM

PD

“ *Dan, very sorry to hear of your Mom's passing. Though we never met, she sounds like a lovely, kind and giving lady. Kathy and I will keep her as well as you and your family in our prayers.*

Patrick Duffy - April 01, 2024 at 04:45 PM

KC

“ Our condolences to all the family! May God's peace be with you all in this difficult time in your lives. Prayers for you all.



Karen Carrillo - April 01, 2024 at 02:47 PM

MA

“ Dan and family,  
My sincere condolences on your loss. May all your happy memories stay with you during this time and always.  
Mike Anderson

Mike Anderson - April 01, 2024 at 02:47 PM

GT

“ Danny boy! Your mom was a great lady and raised you well. It was a pleasure meeting your mom. My sincere condolences on your great loss. Garner Tung



Garner Tung - April 01, 2024 at 12:12 AM



“ Stella, Although I never met you I feel I know you. You raised a great son and my friend Daniel that I consider my brother. My memory was sending you some Pueblo green chili for you to enjoy. Rest in Peace and may God bless your soul.



Dave Gutierrez - March 31, 2024 at 09:18 PM

LM

“ I've known Stella practically all my life since I was a kid.  
She was my bus driver & my neighbor...  
My condolences to the family...

*Lit a candle in memory of Stella DeBaca...*



Lorraine Montaño - March 31, 2024 at 01:44 PM

ST

“ Steven, Venessa, Jaiden & Zoey lit a candle in memory of Stella DeBaca



Steven, Venessa, Jaiden & Zoey - March 30, 2024 at 11:00 PM

MJ

“ Diana & Family,  
Our condolences on your loss. Our thoughts & prayers are with you all.  
Marty & Beatrice Jojola



Marty & Beatrice Jojola - March 30, 2024 at 09:51 PM

CB

“ Our deepest condolences to Diana, Danny, Renee, Bridgett and all the family! She will be missed so much! May she rest in peace in the arms of our Lord and be surrounded by her family that went before her! Connie & Larry & family



Connie Baca - March 30, 2024 at 06:11 PM

ST

“ Steve & Magdalen Sanchez lit a candle in memory of Stella DeBaca



Steve & Magdalen Sanchez - March 30, 2024 at 11:55 AM

AS

“ Adela Sanchez lit a candle in memory of Stella DeBaca



Adela Sanchez - March 30, 2024 at 09:44 AM

CE

“ Charles D. Eaton lit a candle in memory of Stella DeBaca



Charles D. Eaton - March 29, 2024 at 11:49 PM

JM

“ Jennie Mascarena lit a candle in memory of Stella DeBaca



Jennie Mascarena - March 29, 2024 at 09:11 PM

JL

“ Stella, you were an awesome bus driver to our kids. May you travel the streets of gold as the wheels on the bus go round and round. Blessings all around.

Juanita lucero - March 29, 2024 at 07:38 PM

RU

“ Ramon And Diana Ulibarri lit a candle in memory of Stella DeBaca



Ramon and Diana Ulibarri - March 29, 2024 at 06:59 PM

DM

“ My beautiful mom and best friend! I will miss you so much ~ you left me with many fond memories! You were an awesome mother who lived for her children. I don't ever recall a day coming home and you weren't there. Thank you for everything you taught me, all the love you gave me, and all the special moments we shared until your last breath! Happy Birthday and I know you must be celebrating with dad and Ralph and your parents - most of all with Our Lord Jesus Christ! Don't worry about Renee I will always take care of her! I love you mom RIP.

Diana DeBaca Mireles - March 29, 2024 at 05:22 PM

RC

“ *Roberta Cordova lit a candle in memory of Stella DeBaca*



Roberta Cordova - March 29, 2024 at 04:17 PM

VG

“ *Vivian Garcia lit a candle in memory of Stella DeBaca*



Vivian Garcia - March 29, 2024 at 03:52 PM

BB

“ *Stella was a remarkable lady. I always admired her her.  
She will be missed.  
Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light  
shine upon her. May the souls of the faithful departed,  
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen. Bernardine  
Baca Spiers*



Bernardine Baca - March 29, 2024 at 02:48 PM

GG

“ *Glen & Mary Gabaldon lit a candle in memory of Stella  
DeBaca*



Glen & Mary Gabaldon - March 29, 2024 at 11:58 AM

LF

*To the DeBaca Family:  
My condolences to you. Your mom Stella & my sister Frances were good friends & I  
enjoyed hearing stories about the fun they had as teenagers  
& young adults. Stella will be missed. My thoughts & prayers are with you at this  
difficult time.*

Louisa Montoya Flaugh - March 31, 2024 at 10:54 AM

MR

*To Diana & Family,  
Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this very difficult time.*

*Stan & MaryAnn Rich*

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**MaryAnn Rich** - April 02, 2024 at 10:13 PM