



Teresa Dolores Olivas

August 11, 1938 - August 30, 2024

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It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of Teresa Dolores Olivas, a beloved wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and sister, who passed away surrounded by her family at home on August 30, 2024, at the age of 86. Born on August 11, 1938, Teresa lived a life defined by love, creativity, and unwavering faith, leaving an indelible mark on all who knew her. Teresa was the devoted wife of Bert Olivas, her steadfast partner of 64 years. Together, they raised three daughters—Debra Ursula Linford, Kathy Maynor, and Annette Garcia—who were their pride and joy. Teresa found immense happiness in her family, including her grandchildren Jessica Henderson (Brian Henderson), Rachel Robbins (Brandon Robbins) Mara Emoto and David Garcia (Kimberly Garcia), as well as her great-grandchildren Josiah Joseph Henderson, Elena Jane Robbins, Liam Alan Robbins, and Teresa Grace Robbins. Her love for her family was boundless, and she treasured every moment spent with them, finding joy in their accomplishments and offering wisdom and comfort in times of need. She also shared a close bond with her numerous siblings, embracing the role of family matriarch with grace and generosity.

A gifted artist, Teresa was known for her talent as an avid quilter. Her quilts were more than just blankets; they were intricate works of art, reflecting her extraordinary ability to see and blend colors in ways most people couldn't.

Each stitch was a testament to her creativity and passion, and her quilts will forever be cherished by those who were fortunate enough to receive one. She formed deep friendships with fellow quilters in the towns she lived in, Henderson, NV, and La Jara, CO, and she took great pride in the artistry she shared with them.

In addition to her quilting, Teresa was a skilled china painter, known for her meticulous attention to detail and the delicate beauty of her creations. She was extremely dedicated to her pursuits and her artistic talents knew no bounds. She elevated her craft to an art form and used them to bring joy and beauty into the world.

Teresa's life was filled with simple joys, which she appreciated deeply. She loved her afternoon coffee at 3 p.m., cherished her tea parties, and spent many hours sewing, a pursuit that brought her both peace and fulfillment. Her kindness, perceptiveness, and insightfulness touched all who had the privilege of knowing her. She was always thoughtful, and her welcoming spirit made everyone feel at home in her presence.

Her faith was her compass, guiding her through life's challenges with grace and resilience. Teresa's happiness was infectious, and her laughter and love will be remembered by all who were blessed to have known her.

Teresa's arrangements are being handled by the Romero Funeral Home and her services will be held on Thursday, September 26, at Calvary Chapel Rio Grande Valley (19381 NM-314, Belen, NM 87002). Viewing at 1:30 p.m. and services will begin at 2:00 p.m. The services will also be live streamed on YouTube.com - search CCRGV Funeral.

Her memory will live on in the hearts of her family and friends, and her artistic spirit will continue to inspire all who were touched by her work. May she rest in eternal peace. Please sign Teresa's online tribute at www.romerofuneralhome.com Romero Funeral Home, 609 N. Main St., Belen, NM.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 26. 1:30 PM (MT)

Calvary Chapel Rio Grande Valley
19381 NM-314
Belen, NM 87002

Celebration of Life

SEP 26. 2:00 PM (MT)

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Reception

SEP 26. 3:00 PM (MT)

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Interment

SEP 27. 12:30 PM (MT)

Santa Fe National Cemetery
501 N. Guadalupe Street
Santa Fe, NM 87501

Tribute Wall

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“ *Teresa was my nextdoor neighbor. We often chatted over the fence having our morning coffee. I always enjoyed her company and my dogs enjoyed their friend Trixie. Barking and barking. Theresa and I loved our planting of rose bushes! She was a kind soul and I was so sorry to hear of our loss. I will miss her dearly.*

My condolences to Debbie and the family. Teresa told me many times how blessed she was having such wonderful daughters. I will love her forever. What a talented and kind soul.

God Bless all who greave her loss!

Forever her friend, Lorraine Silva



Lorraine Silva - September 13, 2024 at 10:21 PM

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“ *May Teresa Dolores Olivias rest in Peace.* 🙏
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Mark and Crissie Leyba - September 13, 2024 at 12:23 AM