



## Estela E. Salazar

September 5, 1937 - October 14, 2019

Estela Cantú Salazar quietly departed this life on Monday, October 14, 2019. Estela was born on September 5, 1937 in Mercedes, Tx. where she lived most of her life caring for her husband of 54 years, daughters, and grandchildren. She had a passion for gardening and caring for animals, especially Lady, her miniature schnauzer. She was a caring example of strength, faith, and courage especially her last year of life. Estela was known for her beautiful silver hair, stunning presence & lovely smile.

Her loving spirit is carried on by her two daughters: Celeste (Frank) Esparza, Edwina (Raúl†) Treviño, five grandchildren: Kristin (Jason) Gutierrez, Lianna Esparza, Gabriel Esparza, Jaedn Treviño, Jensn Treviño, two great-grandchildren: Teresa Bustos, Raegan Elizondo, four surviving siblings: Antonio (Estela) Cantú, Esmeralda (Mike) Givilancz, Consuelo (Rudy†) Garza, and Carlota C. Noriega (Rueben E. Champion, Jr.), sisters-in-law: Frances Cantú, Elisa Cantú, Margarita Cantú, and an extended family of relations and friends from every walk of life. We were blessed to learn many valuable lessons from Estela during her 82 years.

She is preceded in death by her parents: Genaro Sr. & Florinda Cantú, her husband: Ricardo Salazar, brothers: Baldemar Cantú, Guadalupe Cantú, & Genaro Cantú Jr.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Rudy Garza Funeral Home,

Mercedes, Texas.

Services include: Visitation from 3pm to 9pm on Tuesday October 15th, Funeral on Wednesday October 16th at 10am. Burial will take place at Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Cemetery, Mercedes, Texas. Pall bearers include: Gabriel Esparza, Jaedn Treviño. Jensn Treviño, Jason Gutierrez, Ricardo Cantú, & Ricky Elizondo. Honorary Pall Bearers include: Antonio Cantú Sr., Homero Garcia, Genaro "Gino" Cantú III, Rolando Bono, Moises Fonseca, Richard Soto, Richard Cantú, Roy Elizondo, & Mike Givilancz. Special thanks to A Healing Touch Hospice, Dr. Habib Ghaddar, Texas Oncology Weslaco and of course her most gentle caregiver and loving friend, Idolina Torres.

# Cemetery Details

## Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Cemetery

Mercedes, TX

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **15**. 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

Rudy Garza Funeral Home - Mercedes  
236 S Ohio Ave  
Mercedes, TX 78570  
(956) 565-1175  
<https://www.rudygarzafunerals.com>

## Rosary

OCT **15**. 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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Mercedes, TX 78570  
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## Funeral

OCT **16**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Love and miss you mom.  
May you be at peace with our Lord.  
See you there.  
Hugs and kisses from your daughter Celeste*

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**Celeste Esparza** - July 11, 2020 at 02:27 PM

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“ *Our deepest condolences to the Salazar and Cantu Families. May our Lord Jesus The Christ open heaven for Estela and receive her into His loving arms. Tony, Esmeralda, Consuelo and Carlota know that our prayers and thoughts are with all of you during this very difficult time. Estela is a saint as far as we are concern. She was a true example of what a Christian should be. She will definitely be missed by many. Sorry that we are late, but we just word of Estela's death yesterday. God's blessings always.*

*Roberto "Bobby" & Maria Elena Rodriguez  
Georgetown, TX*

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**ROBERTO "BOBBY" & MARIA ELENA RODRIGUEZ** - October 22, 2019 at 07:20 PM

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“ *Bono & Sotolongo Family purchased the Rainbo w Of Remembrance Spray for the family of Estela E. Salazar.*



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**Bono & Sotolongo Family** - October 15, 2019 at 09:09 AM