



Frank Puente Sr.

August 21, 1937 - October 10, 2022

Francisco T. Puente Sr. of Harlingen Texas was called to be with the Lord on Monday, October 10, 2022. He died peacefully surrounded by his beloved wife Tina Puente and his 7 children.

Francisco (Frank) was born to the late Guadalupe Puente and Ernestina Trevino Puente in Matamoros, Tamps. Mexico on August 21, 1937.

Francisco married Ernestina (Tina) V. Puente on December 30, 1961, and had 7 children: Frank Puente Jr., (Rita), Cynthia Thompson (Doug), Rose Mary Slagle (Dan), Edward Puente (Laura), Diana Resendez (Tito), Marco Puente (April), and Gabriel Puente (Karla). Lovingly referred to as "Popo"; Francisco's legacy will live on through his 19 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren, whom he enjoyed spending time with whenever he had the opportunity.

In addition to his parents, Francisco, one of 5 siblings, is preceded in death by his sister, Mary Lou Soto and Hector Puente. His surviving siblings are Santiago (Jimmy) Puente of Harlingen, Texas and Juan Puente of Detroit, Michigan.

Francisco proudly served in the United States Air Force where he developed his love for travel having been stationed in various locations in the US, Europe, and Africa. Throughout the years he worked as a general manager of Cook's department stores in Fort Worth, TX and Clovis, NM. He worked as a

bookkeeper, and life insurance agent, but is probably most remembered in Harlingen for his company Don-Rite Roofing, Puente Roofing Contractors. He was a devout catholic and faithful parishioner of Queen of Peace Catholic Church.

Frank was known for having a friendly smile and for welcoming others into the Puente home. He loved to eat out, read novels, watch movies, and take road trips. He will be remembered most of all for his remarkable sense of humor and for loving his wife, children, and grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Monday, October 17, 2022 with a mass at 10:00 AM at Queen of Peace Catholic Church. Military services will immediately follow at 11:30 a.m. at Queen of Peace parking lot under the auspices of American Legion Post #205 of Harlingen Texas Funeral services will continue with visitation at the Rudy Garza Funeral Home beginning at 1:00 PM until 9:00 PM and a prayer service will begin at 6:00 PM.

Services will conclude Monday evening.

If ordering flowers, please have them delivered to Rudy Garza Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Mass

OCT 17. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Queen of Peace Church
1509 New Combes Hwy
Harlingen, TX 78550
(956) 423-6341

Visitation

OCT 17. 1:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

Rudy Garza Funeral Home - Harlingen
1702 E Harrison Ave
Harlingen, TX 78550
(956) 425-8200
rgfhtx@aol.com
<https://www.rudygarzafunerals.com>

Prayer Service

OCT 17. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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1702 E Harrison Ave
Harlingen, TX 78550
(956) 425-8200
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Tribute Wall

CV

“ *May Tio Frank RIP. Praying for Tia Tina and the rest of the Puente family. I will always remember Tio Frank making jokes and always making us (Valdez family) feel welcome. Our Holy Father has received another great angel. May eternal light shine upon him and Rest In Peace. Love Cecilia Valdez*



Cecilia Valdez - November 06, 2022 at 09:39 PM

JL

“ *Rest in GODs tender care Mr. Puente til we meet again. Love and prayers to my dearest Tina and her children and Family.*



Janie R. Lopez - October 20, 2022 at 11:56 AM



Rosemary Hazen

“ *Rosemary Hazen lit a candle in memory of Frank Puente Sr.*



Rosemary Hazen - October 17, 2022 at 11:13 PM

Rosema Hazen

*May he rest in peace in the loving arms of our Heavenly Father. Prayers to the Puente family.
~ Rosemary Saucedo-Hazen & Family*

Rosemary Hazen - October 17, 2022 at 11:21 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Frank Puente Sr..*



October 17, 2022 at 02:35 PM



“ *Sending our love, prayers and condolences to all of the Puente Family!! We love ya'!!!
Spencer and Anita Smith*



Anita & Spencer Smith - October 17, 2022 at 02:26 PM



“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Those we have held in our arms for a little while, we hold in our hearts forever. We love you, Tina. Julie Alexander and Lucia Lopez.*

Julie Alexander - October 16, 2022 at 01:01 PM



“ *Javier & Melissa Rincones and family purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Frank Puente Sr..*



Javier & Melissa Rincones and family - October 16, 2022 at 11:03 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Frank Puente Sr..



October 15, 2022 at 01:51 PM



“ *On behalf of my family: Mom Virginia D Ayala, my children Jackie, Andra, Andre(Sue) and Myself Dahlia. We send Mrs Tina and All the Family Prayers Love Strength and Peace during the Loss of Mr. Puente. We luv u !*

Dahlia Ayala-Silva - October 15, 2022 at 02:31 AM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray* was purchased for the family of Frank Puente Sr..



October 14, 2022 at 05:05 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray* was purchased for the family of Frank Puente Sr..



October 14, 2022 at 03:36 PM

MS

“ Mary Ann and Stephen Schott purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Frank Puente Sr..



Mary Ann and Stephen Schott - October 14, 2022 at 10:45 AM

LV

“ Sending condolences to the Puente family. My thoughts and prayers are with you.
Lucy Vallejo

Lucy Vallejo - October 13, 2022 at 09:10 PM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Frank Puente Sr..



October 13, 2022 at 08:49 PM

KB

“ Condolences to Tina, Frank Jr.. and the rest of the family

Kenneth J Benton - October 13, 2022 at 01:13 PM

TL

“ Tiffany R. Long purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Frank Puente Sr..



Tiffany R. Long - October 13, 2022 at 11:32 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Frank Puente Sr..*



October 13, 2022 at 11:29 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Frank Puente Sr..*



October 12, 2022 at 04:13 PM



“ *PlainsCapital Bank purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Frank Puente Sr..*



PlainsCapital Bank - October 12, 2022 at 03:17 PM



“ *Vivid Recollections was purchased for the family of Frank Puente Sr..*



October 11, 2022 at 09:38 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray* was purchased for the family of Frank Puente Sr..



October 11, 2022 at 09:33 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Frank Puente Sr..



October 11, 2022 at 09:05 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Frank Puente Sr..



October 11, 2022 at 08:20 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of Frank Puente Sr..



October 11, 2022 at 08:06 AM



“ *Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Frank Puente Sr..*



October 11, 2022 at 06:40 AM



“ *Wiley and Mary Shockley purchased the "Sending You an Angel" Statue to Express Sympathy for Funeral Or Memorial for the family of Frank Puente Sr..*



Wiley and Mary Shockley - October 10, 2022 at 04:55 PM