



Jose De La Pena

September 15, 1928 - January 14, 2025

Jose De La Pena, age 96, peacefully entered into rest on January 14, 2025, in Harlingen, Texas. He was a loving and devoted husband, father, and friend, whose presence will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

Jose is survived by his adopted daughter, Maria Elvia (Gilberto) Santana of Rio Hondo, one grandson, Gilbert G. Santana, Jr. (Margarita), six granddaughters; Edna Marie Tolentino (Carlos), Patricia A. Garza (Jesus), Odette Andrade (Jose), Suzette Garcia (Daniel), Lora Jean Renteria (Manuel), Judy Olivia Santana (Eduardo), and numerous great-grandchildren. He is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews, and extended family members and friends. His warmth and kindness left an enduring impact on everyone he encountered.

He is preceded in death by his wife Delfina De La Pena, parents, Benito and Mariana De La Pena, ten siblings, Margarita, Raul, Serafina, Marie Luredes, San Juana, Seledonio, Pablo Pedro, Roberto, Antonio and Olivia.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, January 18, 2025, from 9:00 AM until 1:00 PM, followed by a chapel service at 1:00 PM at Rudy Garza Funeral Home in Harlingen. The burial will follow at Mont Meta Memorial Park Cemetery in San Benito, Texas.

Jose had a great love for traveling and cherished spending time with his beloved wife. He and his wife were faithful supporters of the Harlingen Cardinals, attending Friday night football games for many years. His unwavering faith in the Lord was a cornerstone of his life, and he took comfort in his strong spiritual beliefs.

The family would like to especially thank Billy Alvear for all the love and support he gave to Jose during his life. His kindness and devotion were greatly appreciated.

Pallbearers will be Billy Alvear, Arturo Alvear, Santos Garza, Michael Santana, Jose Andrade, Jesus Alfaro, Jr., and Jesus Garza.

The family would like to extend their heartfelt gratitude for the love and support shown during this difficult time.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Rudy Garza Funeral Home in Harlingen, Texas.

Previous Events

Burial

JAN 18 (CT)

Mont Meta Memorial Park
26170 Texas 345
San Benito, TX 78586
(956) 399-3097

Tribute Wall

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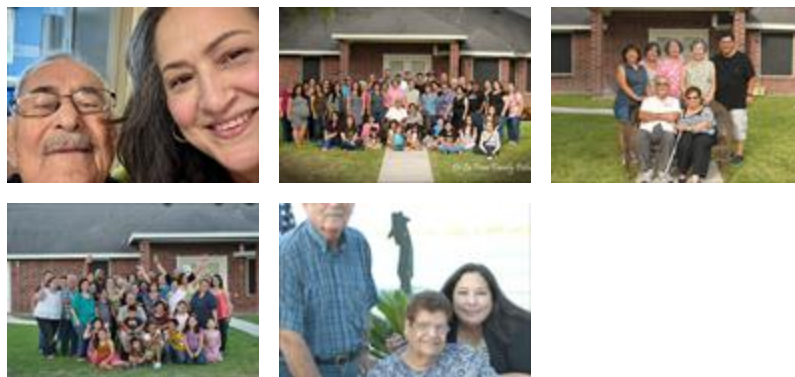
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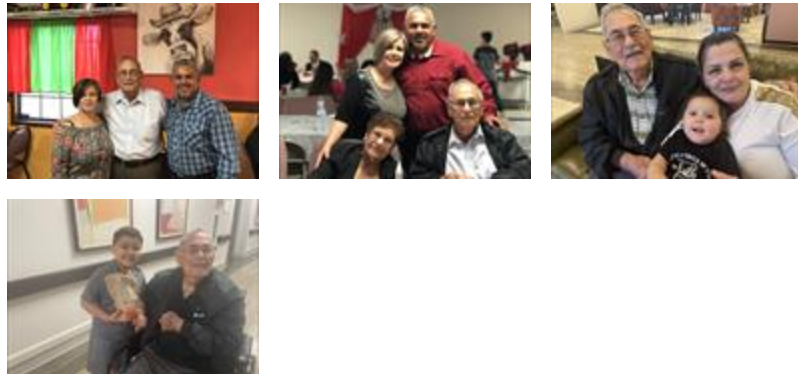
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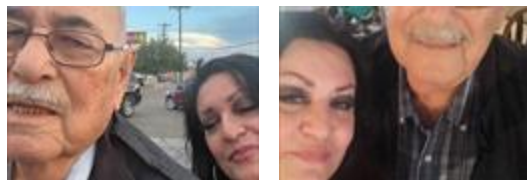
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Odette Andrade - January 15, 2025 at 11:21 PM

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“ Edna Tolentino and Uncle Jose De La Peña ❤️



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Suzette Garcia - January 15, 2025 at 09:37 PM

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time. My husband and I had the pleasure of meeting Mr. & Mrs. De la Pena at church. We always enjoyed hearing about his stories of when he used to work in the commercial appliance repair business. He was a very intelligent man. May he RIP.

Mr. & Mrs. Sosa

Sosa - January 15, 2025 at 08:41 PM

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Odette Andrade - January 15, 2025 at 08:22 PM

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“ Will cherish every memory close to my heart. ❤️



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May Tio Joe rest in peace.

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