



Jose Israel Loya

September 13, 1941 - January 22, 2017

La Feria - Jose Israel "Ray" Loya passed away peacefully at his home on January 22, 2017, at the age of 75.

A native of La Feria, Texas, he was the first of six children born to Manuel and Martiana Loya. He is preceded in death by his parents, grandmother Olivia Longoria, great granddaughter Sarah Ranae Loya, and grandson Jose Israel Loya, III.

Ray is survived by his wife of 58 years, Genoveva Loya, sons Joe Jr. (Gloria), Manuel (Minerva), and Eric (Franki), eight grandchildren--Leticia, Anna Lisa, Laura (Steve), Manuel Jr. (Katie), Bobby, Mathew, CJ, and Bodie, and four great grandchildren--Mariah, Tristin, Canello, and Jayce. Also surviving are his siblings Dolia (Tito) Vasquez, Mere (Lupe) Betancourt, Arturo (Connie) Loya, Juana (Herb) Wyatt, and Maria Alicia (Mario) Dominguez, as well as his aunt Paula (Conrado) Dominguez and numerous cousins, nieces, and nephews.

Visitation will begin on Tuesday, January 24, 2017, at Rudy Garza Funeral Home in La Feria from 1:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. with a rosary to be recited at 7:00 P.M. On Wednesday, January 25, 2017, visitation will begin at 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M., followed by a holy mass at 2:00 P.M. at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church in La Feria with interment to follow at Restlawn Cemetery. Honored to serve as pallbearers will be his grandsons Bobby, CJ, Mathew, and Bodie, and nephews Mario Jr. and Santana. Honorary pallbearer will be Manuel Jr.