



Juanita S. Garcia

June 24, 1940 - June 2, 2026

Juanita S. Garcia, 85, entered into eternal rest on June 2, 2026, in Harlingen, Texas.

Juanita was born on June 24, 1940, in Rio Hondo, Texas, to Cesario Sanchez and Jesusa Araguz. She was a hardworking woman throughout her life whose greatest joy came from caring for her family. She took immense pride in creating a warm and loving home where her children always felt welcomed and cherished.

Juanita enjoyed traveling to Wharton, Texas, to visit her mother's family and treasured the time spent with loved ones. She found happiness in gardening, cooking, and making tamales alongside her daughters, creating memories that will be cherished for generations. She also enjoyed playing chalupa, dancing, and listening to music. One of her favorite pastimes was having her children drive her by her childhood home, where she would fondly reminisce about the many happy memories of her youth. She also loved spending peaceful moments sitting in her rocking chair on the front porch.

Above all else, Juanita deeply loved her family. She cherished her grandchildren and great-grandchildren and treasured every moment spent with them. She also held a special place in her heart for her beloved dog, Daisy.

Juanita was preceded in death by her husband, Sirildo B. Garcia; her sons, Cirildo Garcia, Jr., and Gerardo Garcia; her grandson, Gerardo Garcia, Jr.; her parents, Cesario Sanchez and Jesusa Araguz; and numerous siblings.

She leaves behind to cherish her memory her daughters, Noemi Gonzalez (Homero), Velba Gonzales, and Olga Garcia. She is also survived by her ten grandchildren: Amanda, Rhonda, Julissa, Manny, Amy, Candace, Lori, Alex, Rachel, and Aurora; twenty-five great-grandchildren; numerous great-great-grandchildren; and her siblings, Francisco Sanchez, Cesario Sanchez, and Teresa Sanchez.

Visitation will begin on Sunday, June 7, 2026, from 12:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., with a prayer service at 7:00 p.m., at the Rudy Garza Chapel of Peace in Harlingen, Texas. Funeral services will be held on Monday, June 8, 2026, with a chapel service at 10:00 a.m. at the funeral home, officiated by Pastor Melinda Zapata.

Interment will follow at Ashland Memorial Park Cemetery in Harlingen, Texas.

Serving as pallbearers will be Marcus Rivera, Alex Garcia, Josh Zapata, Rene Portales, Manny Gonzales, and Homero Alberto Flores.

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

Upcoming Events

Visitation

JUN 7. 12:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

Rudy Garza Funeral Home - Harlingen
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Prayer Service

JUN 7. 7:00 PM (CT)

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Chapel Service

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Funeral

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