



Lydia Salinas Mata

May 12, 1932 - October 7, 2014

MERCEDES TX.—

Lydia was born on May 12, 1932 in Mercedes, Texas, the daughter of Jesus Maria Salinas and San Juana Garza who preceded her in death.

She graduated from Mercedes High School and was employed for several years at the Sears Catalogue Center in Weslaco, TX, before retiring in 1988.

She was a devoted a mother and military wife for thirty-four years and enjoyed her world travels that took her to Germany, France, Italy, Spain, Mexico, the Bahamas, and Canada. Her life also revolved around her church La Iglesia Alianza where she donated all of her time as a bookkeeper.

She is survived by three daughters, Cynthia Mata Dailey and husband Michael of Sun City, AZ; Amalia Pena of McAllen, TX, and Deborah Mata Headley and husband Kyle of Axtell, TX. Her two surviving siblings include Eva Lopez and Rudolfo Salinas.

Lydia will always be remembered for her loving and caring spirit. Her grandchildren, however, were the center of her universe which includes Jaime Garcia, Alfredo Aguilar, Daniel Garcia, Roberto Aguilar, Erica Jupe, Robert Pena Jr., Leticia Headley, and Kasey Headley. Her great-grand-daughter, Kyler Judith Dawson, was her shining star!

Lydia was preceded in death by her brother and sister-in-law, Jesus Maria and Irma Salinas, and her loving daughter, Leticia Jean Mata.

Visitation will be held tomorrow, Saturday, October 11, 2014 from 10:00 A.M. with the funeral departure at 2:30 P.M. A 3:00 P.M. Church service will be held

at Rio Life Community Church in Mercedes. Interment will then follow at Highland Memorial Park Cemetery in Weslaco, Texas.

Lydia was a loving and dedicated daughter, sister, wife, mother and grandmother. She is and will forever be missed and loved by all those whom she knew.

Arrangements are under the direction of Rudy Garza Funeral Home in Mercedes.