



## Nora Sierra Garcia

February 5, 1933 - September 22, 2020

Mercedes—Nora Sierra Garcia of Progreso Lakes, Texas passed away peacefully on September 22, 2020 surrounded by her family. Nora was born to Gilberto and Francisca Sierra of Mercedes, Texas on February 5, 1933. She graduated from Mercedes High School in 1951.

Nora was employed as a secretary and bookkeeper for much of her working life. Most of her career centered around agriculture enjoying many years working with her Delta area farmers. Nora's amazing work ethic and tireless drive was witnessed in the 15-hour days she would frequently work during the harvest season to be available to her farmers. This deep appreciation for agriculture included working many years for Southwest Grain Co. until her retirement in the mid 1990s.

Nora was an active parishioner of Lady of Mercy Catholic Church for many years and later a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church of Mercedes, Texas where she was a lector, Eucharistic Minister and usher. In later life, she was an active participant of the Sacred Heart Parish Abuelitos group.

"Momo," as she was known to her many grandchildren and great-grandchildren, enjoyed being surrounded by family, cooking, playing chalupa every Christmas holiday, taking her trailer to the beach to spend time with her extended family affectionately known as "los trailersos," knitting caps, and having a few "adult beverages." Family was everything to Mom; her generous and loving heart will be missed immensely.

Mom was blessed to be able to spend her last summer in 2019 at her most

favorite place, Isla Blanca Park on South Padre Island with her daughter Nelda Dillard as her beach buddy. She also expressed how blessed she was to have her son, Sergio and daughter, Letty, to take care of her when her health began to decline; she lovingly referred to them as her two angels. Nora is survived by her 6 children; Nelda Dillard, Sergio Garcia, Leticia (Fred) Gracia, Renee Garcia, Melissa (Carlos) Pimentel, and Michelle Garcia. Also surviving are 7 grandchildren; Tylene Garcia Rodriguez, Jerrek Dillard, Adina Steins, Charles Jacob (CJ) Salsedo, Iris L. Campbell, Nicholas and Noah Pimentel and several great-grandchildren. Surviving siblings are Gloria (Juan+) Hernandez of Odessa, Texas and Norma (Julio+) Palacios of McAllen, Texas, in-laws Hilda (Timoteo+) Gonzales of Corpus Christi, Texas, Lydia (Jimmie+) Champion of Weslaco, Texas and Rene and Ofelia Garcia of Austin, Texas and numerous nieces and nephews.

Family visitation was held at Rudy Garza Funeral Home of Mercedes on Thursday, September 24, 2020 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. A private funeral Mass was held at Sacred Heart Parish of Mercedes on Friday, September 25, 2020 at 10:00 am celebrated by Father Eduardo Ortega. Interment followed at Ebony Grove Cemetery. Pallbearers were: Carlos Pimentel, Nicholas Pimentel, Noah Pimentel, CJ Salsedo, Jose Miguel (Joey) Palacios, and Julio Palacios Jr. Funeral services were under the direction and care of Rudy Garza Funeral Home of Mercedes Texas.

# Cemetery Details

## **Ebony Grove Cemetery**

Mercedes, TX