



Rafaela A. Martinez

November 10, 1932 - July 24, 2013

Rafaela M. Martinez, 81, a lifetime resident of Mercedes passed away on Thursday, July 24, 2013. She was born November 10, to Sertutino and Simona Mares Marquez in Aguas Calientes Mexico. She is survived by her loving family; Audelio Martinez of Mercedes, 5 children; Raul (Maria) Martinez of Mexico, Severo Martinez of San Antonio, Maria (Eddie) Espinoza of Mercedes, Javier (Gloria) Martinez of Corpus Christi, Hilaria (Jose) Cavazos of Sugarland 13 Grandchildren, 3 Great-grandchildren and numerous other family members. Rafaela is preceded in death by her parents Sertutino and Simons Mares Marquez, sons; Baudelio and Jose Martinez. Visitation was held on Saturday, July 27th from 4:00p.m. to 9:00p.m. and on Sunday, July 28th from 12:00p.m. to 9:00p.m. with a rosary recited at 7:00p.m. Funeral services were conducted on Monday, July 29th, 2013 with a 9:30a.m. departure and a mass at 10:00a.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Interment followed at Mercedes Restlawn Cemetery. Funeral services were under the direction and care of Rudy Garza Funeral Home of Mercedes Texas.