



Raquel E. Wise

August 17, 1932 - March 3, 2013

Raquel E. Wise, age 80, of Harlingen, Texas went to be with our Lord peacefully on March 3rd, 2013. She was born August 17, 1932 in Harlingen, Texas to Jorge Esqueda and Francisca Pena.

Raquel was preceded in death by her husband Hernan Wise, her parents, and her sister Gloria Esqueda.

Raquel was a graduate of Harlingen High School and worked in banking for many years. She also worked in Cameron County elections. Raquel was a beautiful and very balanced lady who lived by the golden rule. She was a great listener and was gracious and generous to everyone she met. She was encouraging and supportive to all her children and grandchildren. She was a lifetime parishioner of Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church and was dedicated to living her life according to catholic principals.

She will be dearly missed by her three daughters: Blanca Garcia, Nelda Rodriguez (Rene), and Laura A. Wise, two sons: David (Cristela) and Herman, Jr. (JoAnn); and her sister Josefina (Charles) Ellard. Raquel held on until she saw all her grandchildren: Jessica Lozano, Jacobo Salazar, Jr., Carlos, Ricardo, & Eli Benavidez, Jr., David Antonio and Leah Wise, and Olivia Raquel Wise-Dent. Raquel leaves behind 5 great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Raquel was a devoted wife and peacemaker who distributed unconditional love to all five of her children. She enjoyed many years of traveling with her husband and children.

Raquel was an aficionado of the Arts including many varieties of music, dance, and plays. She and Hernan hosted student performers and artists from Veracruz, Mexico who came to Harlingen to perform. She was a diehard supporter of the Dallas Cowboys. She enjoyed gardening and bird watching from her home. She kept up her enthusiasm and zest for life until the end. Pallbearers will be her sons: Justice of the Peace (retired) David A. Wise, and Herman Wise, Jr., grandsons: Jacobo Salazar, Jr., Eliseo Benavidez, Jr., Carlos Benavidez, Ricardo Bena-videz, and David Antonio Wise. Honorary pallbearers are granddaughters Jessica Marie Lozano, Leah Marie Wise, and Olivia Wise-Dent.

Visitation will be held at Rudy Garza Funeral Home on Tuesday, March 5 from 2 to 9 pm with a Holy Rosary to be recited at 7 pm.

The funeral mass will be held on Wednesday, March 6, 2013, departing Rudy Garza Funeral at 1:30 p.m. for a 2:00 p.m. Mass of Christian Burial at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church in Harlingen, interment will follow at Mont Meta Memorial Park, San Benito.

Cemetery Details

Mont Meta Memorial Park

26170 Texas 345
San Benito, TX 78586
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