



Tomas Bazaldua Malacara

August 13, 1936 - March 6, 2026

Tomas Bazaldua Malacara entered into eternal rest surrounded by the love of his family. He was born in Linares, Nuevo León, Mexico to Jose Angel Bazaldua and Gregoria Malacara and was the eldest of seven children.

From a young age, Tomas learned the value of hard work and responsibility. As a child, he worked alongside his father helping to support their family. In his early years as a young man, Tomas entered the United States through the Bracero Program where he worked in the farmlands of South Texas, dedicating himself to honest labor and the pursuit of a better life.

On March 7, 1959, Tomas married the love of his life, Lucila Martinez, beginning a beautiful journey that would span 67 wonderful years of marriage. Together they built a loving home and raised their children: Nora Margarita Bazaldua Sanchez; Leticia Bazaldua Anciso (Domingo); Nancy Bazaldua Plata (David II); and Nereyda Bazaldua Robledo (Juan) and their beloved son, Ruben Bazaldua, who passed away at the young age of 24.

Tomas was preceded in death by his parents; his beloved son, Ruben Bazaldua; and four siblings, Juana B. Davila, Angelita B. Guerrero, Luis Bazaldua and Baldemar Bazaldua.

He was a proud and devoted grandfather to nine grandchildren: Andrew

Anselmo Sanchez, Samantha Eileen Sanchez, Nicholas Matthew Sanchez, Thomas Lee Anciso, Jacob Ruben Anciso, Victoria Denise Ramos, Adelynn Lucille Ramos, David Alexander Plata, and Marcus Isaiah Plata.

His legacy continues through his five great-grandchildren: Grace Evelyn Sanchez, Sebastian Noah Anciso, Roel Yebra III, Ryan Yebra, and Jenna Neci Yebra.

Tomas is also survived by two siblings, David Bazaldua and Margarita Bazaldua, along with numerous extended family members and friends who cherished him.

Later in life, Tomas worked for a manufacturing company where he mastered the skill of welding, a craft that became his lifelong profession until his retirement in the year 2000. Known for his strong work ethic and dedication, he took great pride in providing for his family.

Outside of work, Tomas was a true lover of nature. He enjoyed fishing with family and friends, creating many treasured memories along the water. He also shared a love of gardening with his wife, and together they took pride in maintaining one of the best kept yards in their neighborhood.

Above all, Tomas was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather. His family was the center of his life, and the love he gave will continue to live on through them.

Visitation will begin Tuesday, March 10, 2026 from 3:00 PM until 9:00 PM and a rosary will be prayed at 7:00 PM. Funeral services will be held Wednesday, March 11, 2026 at the Rudy Garza Funeral Home at 10:00 AM with Brother Hoss Alvarez officiating, burial will follow at Restlawn Cemetery.

He will be deeply missed and forever remembered in the hearts of those who loved him.

The family would like to express their sincere gratitude to the staff of APC Home Health, Casa Mia Hospice Care, and Harlingen Nursing and Rehabilitation Center for the compassionate care and kindness shown to Tomas during his time of need.

Cemetery Details

Restlawn Memorial Park

14166 U.S. 83 Business
La Feria, TX 78559
(956) 797-2322

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 10. 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

Rudy Garza Funeral Home - Harlingen
1702 E Harrison Ave
Harlingen, TX 78550
(956) 425-8200
rgfhtx@aol.com
<https://www.rudygarzafunerals.com>

Rosary

MAR 10. 7:00 PM (CT)

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Funeral Service

MAR 11. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

NH

“ Neal and Diana Hagens purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Tomas Bazaldua Malacara.



Neal and Diana Hagens - March 10 at 03:58 PM

AV

“ Anthony, Janett, Blake, Sandra, Victoria purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Tomas Bazaldua Malacara.



Anthony, Janett, Blake, Sandra, Victoria - March 09 at 10:23 PM

AV

“ Anthony, Janett, Blake, Sandra, Victoria planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Tomas Bazaldua Malacara.

Anthony, Janett, Blake, Sandra, Victoria - March 09 at 10:23 PM

CC

“ Casa Mia Hospice Care purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Tomas Bazaldua Malacara.



Casa Mia Hospice Care - March 09 at 08:12 PM

CC

“ Casa Mia Hospice Care planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Tomas Bazaldua Malacara.

Casa Mia Hospice Care - March 09 at 08:12 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Tomas Bazaldua Malacara.



March 09 at 07:55 PM

MK

“ Mike & Mina Kliemann purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Tomas Bazaldua Malacara.



Mike & Mina Kliemann - March 09 at 06:50 PM

MK

“ Mike & Mina Kliemann planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Tomas Bazaldua Malacara.

Mike & Mina Kliemann - March 09 at 06:50 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Tomas Bazaldua Malacara.*



March 09 at 02:32 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Tomas Bazaldua Malacara.*



March 09 at 01:33 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Tomas Bazaldua Malacara.*



March 08 at 09:43 PM



“ *From David Platas family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Tomas Bazaldua Malacara.*



From David Platas family - March 08 at 07:54 PM

FF

“ From David Platas family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Tomas Bazaldua Malacara.

From David Platas family - March 08 at 07:54 PM

SL

“ Sylvania De Leon lit a candle in memory of Tomas Bazaldua Malacara



Sylvia De Leon - March 08 at 12:16 PM

SL

Peace. Comfort to you Letty and family 🙏
may your daddy be resting in 💙peace. Hugsss

Sylvia De Leon - March 08 at 12:18 PM