



## Estela Teresa Garza

November 30, 2020

Estela Teresa Garza died peacefully at home on November 30, 2020 in McAllen, Texas at the age of 73.

Estela is survived by her husband, Fernando A. Garza, her sons, Fernando A. Garza, Jr., (Amanda) of San Marcos, Texas, and Jaime J. Garza (Sunnye) of Canton, Michigan. She is also survived by her brothers, Carlos A. Guerra (Dianne) of Waco, Texas, and George C. Guerra of San Diego, California and grandchildren, Javier Garza, Mila Garza, and Eva Garza.

Estela is preceded in death by her father, Eulogio P. Guerra, and mother Eva M. Guerra (Cavazos) and brother, Javier Guerra all of McAllen, Texas.

Estela was a life-long mathematics educator starting her thirty-two year teaching career in McAllen, Texas at Lincoln Jr. High in 1968 and retiring from teaching at Memorial High School in 1999. She graduated from Pan American University with honors, double-majoring in English and Math. Estela married Fernando, whom she met at El Divino Redentor United Methodist Church, on July 20, 1969.

The couple had two children and Estela set about teaching them the value of hard work, education, and integrity. Her children remember her as a loving mother who encouraged them to pursue their goals with enthusiasm and hard work. She was a generous person with a wonderful sense of humor and loved to share her blessings and stories with her grandchildren.

Estela believed that her calling was teaching the next generation of students no matter their background, and she was passionate about preparing her students for success in the world. Estela was a life-long United Methodist and an active and dedicated member of St. Mark United Methodist Church in McAllen, Texas. Over the course of 35 years, Estela volunteered with the Auxiliary to South Texas Health System at McAllen Medical Center and served as President for a term.

A funeral is scheduled for Saturday, December 5, 2020, at 10AM at St. Mark United Methodist Church. Rev. Walter Prescher will officiate the ceremony. All are welcome to attend and celebrate Estela's life. Internment will occur later in a private, family ceremony. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to St. Mark United Methodist Church in McAllen, Texas. The family would like to thank the numerous caregivers, nurses, and doctors for their efforts, dedication, and loving care.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

DEC 5. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Mark United Methodist Church  
301 Pecan Blvd  
McAllen, TX 78501  
<http://www.stmarkumcmcallen.com>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Estela Teresa Garza*

October 08, 2023 at 09:43 PM



“ *Estela Teresa Garza*

November 29, 2022 at 06:40 AM



“ *We were blessed to call Estelita family and friend. She was a bright light in this world, and she will be fondly remembered. I am grateful for the many hours that she tutored me in various math subjects in junior high and high school. She made complicated math seem approachable, and was a huge help to me. It was always fun to be at her house.*

*Years later, my daughter Lily was born on her father, Tio Locho's birthday. What a special connection for Lily to be born on her 4x Great-Uncle's birthday! It was always fun to take my daughter to visit "Tia" Estela around the holidays. She was a great storyteller and loved to laugh. We will miss her and the twinkle in her eyes!*

*We look forward to being reunited with her and Christ our Savior in our future eternal home. Praying for the entire Garza family. May the precious Word of our Lord comfort you at this time-*

*Love, Laura & Lily Guerra*

**Laura Guerra** - December 06, 2020 at 06:27 PM

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**Ada Rutledge** - December 04, 2020 at 07:57 PM

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“ Our family sends our sincere condolences to Fernando and family. Her legacy as a teacher will live on through the hundreds of students who had the privilege of learning math from her. Blessings, Dina and Ken Wilson, Fred Barrera

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**Dina Wilson** - December 03, 2020 at 07:41 PM

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“ My deepest condolences to Fernando, their children and family. I remember Estela from our first year of teaching at Lincoln Junior High. She was a delightful person to know. Rest in peace.

*Jane De La Garza, Ed.D.*

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**Jane De La Garza** - December 03, 2020 at 12:15 PM