



Gregorio R. Esparza

October 8, 2022

Gregorio R. Esparza passed peacefully surrounded by his daughters and wife into eternal glory on October 8, 2022.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Mariana, his daughters, Delia (George) Mendoza and their children, George, Jacqueline and Jacob; Dalinda (Tomas) Liguez and their children Celeste, Tommy, Lauren and Isaac. He was predeceased by his daughter, Dena Hunter and her children are Erika, Nicole (deceased) and Daina.

He was predeceased by his mother Tirsa and all of his siblings: Thomas, Lupe, Esther, Ricardo, Eva and Carlos.

Gregorio was a teacher and administrator for several districts: Brownsville, McAllen and Donna and taught part time for STC. He was an active TSTA/NEA member and lector at church.

He enjoyed his grandchildren, loved reading and listening to music and reconnecting with former students especially the Hanna High School class of 1978.

He served in the National Guard and we are eternally grateful for all the support provided by the Veterans Administration which allowed us with more time with him.

He wanted the best for all he met. He gave generously and loved abundantly. His memory will live on in all of us.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **12.** 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Kreidler Funeral Home, Inc.
314 N 10th St.
McAllen, TX 78501
(956) 686-0234
kreidler@sbcglobal.net
<http://www.kreidlerfuneralhome.com/index.html>

Rosary

OCT **12.** 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Holy Spirit Catholic Church
2201 Martin Ave
McAllen, TX 78504

Funeral Mass

OCT **13.** 10:00 AM (CT)

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2201 Martin Ave
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Burial will follow

OCT **13.** 1:00 PM.

RGV state Veteran's Cemetery
Mission, TX

Tribute Wall



“ *Gregorio R. Esparza*

October 08, 2023 at 09:43 PM



“ *Gregorio R. Esparza*

November 29, 2022 at 06:40 AM



“ *My most sincere and heartfelt condolences to Dr. Mariana Esparza and her family. I first knew of Mr. Esparza when I was a rebellious student at Lamar Jr. High. Little did I know that just a few years later I would get to know him personally through his daughter Delia whom I dated in high school. At first I was intimidated by him but once I got to know him I felt very comfortable. I always looked up to him as a father and have many fond memories of him and the entire family. I remember him as a die hard Dallas Cowboys fan and strong advocate for higher education especially among Hispanics. He was very passionate about education and inspired me to follow my dreams. I owe him and Dr. Esparza a debt of gratitude for opening doors and helping me reach my goal. Rest in peace Mr. Esparza. You may be gone but your legacy lives on in all the lives you touched. Eternamente agradecido,
Gerardo Escobedo*

Gerardo Escobedo - October 12, 2022 at 02:04 PM

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“ *Dr. Esparza and Family,
Our deepest condolences to you and your family. Mr. Esparza was such a caring, compassionate and professional administrator who carried himself with grace and dignity; the bright light he brought to our world will be missed. Be assured of our continued prayers for you and your family.*

Ed and Emma Blaha

Emma Blaha - October 12, 2022 at 09:36 AM