



Irma V. Bedinghaus

November 4, 2021

Irma V. Bedinghaus (90) was called to her heavenly home on Thursday, November 4, 2021, surrounded by her loved ones at her son's home in McAllen, Texas. Irma was born in Laredo, Texas on September 3, 1931, to Gabino and Elvira Viera, and was raised in Laredo as a child, until the family moved to Corpus Christi, Texas.

She was married to Ruben Y. Cavazos in March of 1951, and they had six (6) children; Ruben, Ruth, Rachel, Rosalie, Robert, and Rene. In January of 1986, Irma married Lawrence Bedinghaus, and was married to him until his death in 2002.

Irma was preceded in death by her husband, Lawrence Bedinghaus, son Robert Cavazos, daughter Ruth Mata, her brothers - Juan Viera, Gabino Viera, David Viera, Samuel Viera, and infant Jose Viera; her sisters - Amelia Bernal, Dolores Moreno and infant Juanita Viera.

She is survived by sisters Lydia Vargas and Mary Viera of Corpus Christi, Texas; her sons - Ruben (Diana) Cavazos of McAllen, Texas; Rene (Lori) Cavazos of Frisco, Texas; and son-in-law, JC Mata (Ruth (dc'd.) of McAllen, Texas; daughters - Rachel (Dan) Stasny of Sweet Home, Texas, Rosalie (David) Reast of Kerrville, Texas, daughter-in-law Cris (Robert (dc'd.) Cavazos of McAllen, Texas; and stepsons – Lawrence O. (Carolyn) Bedinghaus of

McGregor, Texas; and Ronald L. (Lolli) Bedinghaus of Austin, Texas. Irma has 21 grandchildren, 21 great grandchildren, 2 great-great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

After raising her family, and 26 years after graduating from high school, Irma entered Pan American University where she earned her bachelor's degree in education and became a teacher. Irma then taught 3rd grade for 13 years for the La Joya I.S.D., where she thoroughly enjoyed being with and teaching children; whom she generously made a part of her extended family.

Irma had a very special Gift of Service, and was always busy serving others throughout her entire life. She was a faithful servant to her church and took great pleasure at being involved in many of their activities. She was a sponsor and chaperone of the Methodist Youth Fellowship and a member of the United Methodist Women. Irma was a Sunday School and Vacation Bible School teacher, worked tirelessly with the Methodist Food Pantry and Clothing Drive, and with programs at the Campus Ministry Department at Pan American University.

In the evenings, Irma nobly taught English classes to adults and sponsored her students in obtaining their GED certificates. In addition, she taught Citizenship classes and helped her students become U.S. Citizens. Irma also ministered Christ's love and volunteered at the Comfort House in McAllen, Texas.

A Memorial Service will be held at her beloved church of 58 years, El Divino Redentor United Methodist Church, located at 2421 West Maple Ave., McAllen, Texas, on Saturday, November 20, 2021. Visitation will begin at 10:00 am and the service will begin at 10:30 am.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to "El Divino Redentor United

Methodist Church” at 2421 W. Maple Ave., McAllen, TX 78501.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **20**. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

El Divino Redentor Methodist Church

Memorial Service

NOV **20**. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

El Divino Redentor Methodist Church

Tribute Wall



“ *Irma V. Bedinghaus*

October 08, 2023 at 09:43 PM



“ *Irma V. Bedinghaus*

November 29, 2022 at 06:40 AM



“ *My sincere condolences to you all. Your sweet mother was a good friend to my late mom, Minnie, and aunt Velia. I have such fond memories of her growing up at El Divino UMC. She was such a strong Christian woman and raised an awesome family. My father, Fred Barrera, sends his condolences too. Embrace the good memories!*

dina wilson - December 06, 2021 at 10:12 AM



“ *Condolences to Irma's family on behalf of The Garcia Family! Our Mom Flor Garcia has fond long lasting memories of Irma and their friendship over the years attending El Divino Redentor UMC. Mom unfortunately is not in good health and for the most part no longer leaves her home. But I'm confident that she would be keeping you all in her prayers during this difficult loss. May she Rest In Peace. God Bless.*

Ralph Garcia - November 20, 2021 at 03:12 PM

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“ *Paula Garza Guajardo lit a candle in memory of Irma V. Bedinghaus*



Paula Garza Guajardo - November 16, 2021 at 09:54 PM

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“ *My condolences and prayers to her family. I remember her working at La Joya Isd Memorial Elementary. May she rip*
Belma Munoz



Belma Munoz - November 14, 2021 at 11:38 AM

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Irma and I used to carpool to Eligio "Kika" de la Garza Elementary. I have many fond memories of the years we worked together. RIP Irma.

Marcella Mata - December 08, 2022 at 11:15 PM