



Mary Alicia Longoria

November 21, 2024

It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of Mary Alicia Longoria, a cherished matriarch, community pillar, and beacon of love and resilience. She passed away on Thursday, November 21st at the age of 90.

Born on October 30, 1934 in San Benito, TX., but raised in Brownsville, TX where she attended Villa Maria High School – Sisters of The Incarnate Word. Mary Alicia grew up rooted in the rich traditions of her heritage, which shaped her values of family, faith, and community. She dedicated her life to nurturing others, offering unwavering support, and fostering a legacy of kindness.

Mary Alicia endured great loss early in life with the passing of her first husband in 1978, Esteban Longoria, with whom she shared 18 years of marriage and had four children: Alicia, Esteban, Jaime, and Alfredo. Despite the heartache of his death, her strength carried her forward, and 10 years later, she found love again with Anselmo M. “Chemo” Longoria. Their union brought a joyful blending of families and a lifetime of shared memories until his passing in 2008.

A beloved mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, Mary Alicia embraced every role with grace and boundless love. Her family was her greatest joy, and she instilled in them a deep appreciation for tradition, humility, and perseverance.

Beyond her family, Mary Alicia was deeply admired for her contributions to the community; she was a member of the Alliance of Pan American Round Tables for 15 years. Whether organizing cultural celebrations, playing cards with her canasta buddies or offering her wisdom to friends and neighbors, her presence was a source of inspiration to all who knew her.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Fausto Chapa and Hortencia Griebing, her first husband Esteban Longoria, her son Jaime Longoria, her second husband, Anselmo M. "Chemo" Longoria, her aunt Alicia Chapa who helped raise her and her stepsons: A.G. and Ralph Longoria. She is survived by her three eldest children: Alicia Ortiz (and husband Carlos), Esteban Longoria, Alfredo Longoria (and his wife Nicole); her stepchildren of 35 years: Pam Longoria and Rick Longoria, her step daughter in law, Sylvia Longoria; her grandchildren: Carlos Ortiz (and his wife Virginia), Monica Ortiz, Maxwell Omand, Bella Omand, Brenna Longoria, Gisselle Longoria, Esai Longoria, Summer Longoria, Jenna Outlaw, Jackie Longoria, Casey McGar, Ian McGar, and her great grandchildren: Carlos and Daniel Ortiz, Jack and Paul Weber, and Leonardo Outlaw and her many dear friends she met throughout the years.

Mary Alicia will be remembered for her unwavering faith, generous spirit, and warm smile that could light up any room. Her legacy will live on in the hearts of all who knew and loved her.

A Funeral Mass will be held on Monday, December 2nd at 11:00 a.m. at her beloved Sacred Heart Catholic Church in McAllen 306 S. 15th Street. A graveside ceremony will take place immediately following at Roselawn Cemetery 1201 S. Main Street. There will not be a funeral home service.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to Sacred Heart Catholic Church in

McAllen 306 S. 15th Street or the Food Bank of the Rio Grande Valley 724 N.
Cage Blvd. Pharr, TX

May she rest in eternal peace and rise in glory.

Cemetery Details

Roselawn Cemetery

1201 S Main
McAllen, TX 78501

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

DEC 2. 11:00 AM (CT)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church(McAllen)
306 S. 15th St.
McAllen, TX

Tribute Wall

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“ *Doña Alicia fue una gran mujer, bendecida con una bella familia que la amó profundamente, asimismo como ella los amó a ellos. Con amigos que la admiran con cariño y respeto.*

Comfiamos que ahora Doña Alicia descansa en paz en los brazos de nuestro Señor, habiendo recibido el premio de todas Sus misericordiosas promesas. Desde ahí, ella cuidará a todos sus seres queridos.

Nuestro más profundo pésame y deseos de paz para sus queridos hijos y familia, especialmente para nuestra querida amiga Alicia que la amó, la cuidó, y la protegió siempre. Un fuerte brazo lleno de nuestro cariño y condolencias.

Isel y Eduardo Caballero

Isel and Eduardo Caballero - December 01, 2024 at 10:31 AM

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“ *Dona Alicia, siempre estara en nuestros corazones, con su bella disposicion, su sonrisa y su carino. Para siempre, Manuel y Marion*

Susie Araya - November 30, 2024 at 06:57 PM

DR

“ *Recuerdos de María Alicia tengo tantos, todos buenos, siempre con su sonrisa, siempre positiva y optimista, siempre le veía lo bello a lo más feo, siempre amable, siempre dulce, su comida deliciosa, impecable, siempre hermosa por dentro y por fuera, buen viaje a reunirte con tus seres queridos, serás la estrella más hermosa del universo! Te quiero mucho siempre.*

Chiquis Rosas

Dr María Rosas-Castro - November 28, 2024 at 11:01 AM

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“ *Mary Alice will be missed by her many friends and her Canasta Buddies. She was a faithful friend and enjoyed the weekly gatherings. Everyone enjoyed her company and her quiet sense of humor. She left a lot of memories for all of us to remember. Rest in Peace my friend till we meet again. Leticia Pena
May she be in heavenshe will be missed.....*



Leticia P. Pena - November 27, 2024 at 07:01 PM