



Rosalinda Chavez Pena

October 29, 1934 - February 15, 2023

Rosalinda Chavez Peña, 88, of Potterville, passed away Wednesday, February 15, 2023. Rosalinda was born in Corpus Christi, Texas on October 29, 1934 to Jesus and Guadalupe (Gracia) Chavez. Mrs. Pena was a lady that loved being with family, singing, music, and dancing, In 1953 she married the love of her life, Eliseo Pena, and had 3 children born in Texas. They then moved to Michigan where job opportunity was booming and had two more children. Rosalinda was a busy mom; cleaning homes in Charlotte, Michigan and an active member of American Legion Post #42, at one time serving as the Auxiliary President, facilitating events for the legion, all while she was raising her children. Rosalinda and her husband, Eliseo along with their five children, created many fond memories with trips between Michigan and Texas, visiting family in both states and visits to Mexico to teach the family about their history, culture, and heritage. In 1980 they moved back to Texas with their youngest two children to care for their parents, Mrs. Pena started teaching Pre-K and Kindergarten at Our Lady of Perpetual Health Elementary School, and was active with St. Josephs choir and an active part of a socialite group called the Golden Girls who put on activities for the community. Her life changed when she became a member of the only woman Mariachi trio called "Las Madrugaroras" with Mary Stancil and "Little" Mary. Rosalinda was able to do her life dream - sing for a living. One particularly fond memory for her children was a trip to Chicago. "Las Madrugaroras" participated in the Heritage Festival and they were able to see their mom sing on stage in front of

hundreds of people. But most of all she loved her family very much and her family loved her very much.

Rosalinda is preceded in death by her husband, Eliseo; her mother and father; brothers, Aldolfo Chavez, Ruben Chavez, Jesse Chavez, Alonzo Chavez, sisters; Lucille Jalifi, Gloria Gutierrez and great-grandson Quenten Gonzalez.

She is survived by her children, Rosa (Marten) Saunders of Charlotte, Eliseo (Janet) Peña of Charlotte, Robert (Susan) Peña, of Lake City, Mark (Lisa) Peña of San Antonio TX, and Andrea M Peña, of Potterville; 22 grandchildren, 36 great-grandchildren, 7 great-great-grandchildren; siblings, Jose (Mary) Chavez and Ramiro Chavez both of Corpus Christi, Texas.

Friends are encouraged to support the Peña family by attending services or sharing memories on Rosalinda's Tribute Page at www.prayfuneral.com. Visitation is Saturday, February 25, 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. with funeral services at 11:00 a.m. at Celebration Church in Charlotte. Rosalinda will be laid to rest with her husband in Corpus Christi Texas. If desired, the family suggests memorial contributions to the family to help with the funeral expenses. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **25**. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Celebration Church (formerly Five Corners)
4012 Marshall Road
Charlotte, MI 48813

Funeral

FEB **25**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

PN

“ To the entire Pena family I was so saddened when I heard of Rosalinda passing. She was such a caring and fun person. I met Rosalinda back in the 70's at the American Legion and soon became good friends. She and Eliseo (Al) were David's godparents when he joined the church at St. Mary Charlotte. After they moved back to Texas we lost touch but I was always glad to see Rosalinda when she would come to church during a Michigan visit. I'm sorry for your loss but know she is happy to be reunited with Eliseo and they are having a great time singing and dancing together.

Peggy Nichols - February 25, 2023 at 09:49 AM

AN

Thank you Peggy!

Andrea - June 09, 2023 at 10:27 AM

SR

“ I've know Momo since I was adopted into the Pena family when I was 16. It was wonderful spending time with her at family Taco Nights and Holiday gatherings. My time spent with this family has show me what a big loving family really is.



Summer Reiser - February 24, 2023 at 11:22 AM

AN

Thank you Sumi - you ARE family XOXO

Andrea - June 09, 2023 at 10:28 AM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rosalinda Chavez Pena.



February 23, 2023 at 01:35 PM

JB

“ Grandma never forget me 😊”... I love you meja ❤️

jessica billings - February 22, 2023 at 02:51 PM

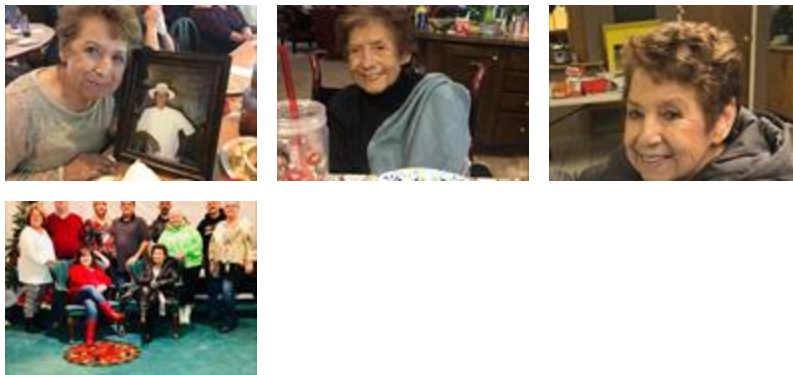
AN

She always recognized your voice on the phone even with her Alzheimers

Andrea - June 09, 2023 at 10:28 AM

CH

“ 4 files added to the album Rosalinda



Chiquitapena70 - February 21, 2023 at 08:46 AM

TL

“ To Peña Family, Sorry to here about your mom the few times I did meet your mom she was very kind and wonderful lady.my thoughts and prayers are with your families

Todd Lahr - February 20, 2023 at 07:16 PM

AN

Thank you Todd!

Andrea - June 09, 2023 at 10:29 AM

SS

“ Dear Eliseo, Janet, and family, my deepest sympathy for the loss of your mother. My thoughts are with you during this difficult time.

Sandy Webb

Sandy Webb Simpson - February 19, 2023 at 02:13 PM

AN

Thank you Sandy!

Andrea - June 09, 2023 at 10:29 AM

JS

“ Jeff Smith lit a candle in memory of Rosalinda Chavez Pena



Jeff Smith - February 19, 2023 at 07:38 AM

AN

Thank you Jeff!

Andrea - June 09, 2023 at 10:29 AM

BA

“ Thank you for allowing me to sit w your momma about 6 weeks. It was great getting to know her and I will always carry a piece of her sweetness in my heart. She was the sweetest little lady w a big ❤️. She'll be missed but never forgotten. Prayers for your loss. Bonnie A.

Bonnie Adams - February 18, 2023 at 08:16 PM

AN

Thank you Bonnie - she loved you and loved your time with her - never wanted you to leave!

Andrea - June 09, 2023 at 10:30 AM



“ I never got the opportunity to actually meet Rosalinda. However, I feel as though I do know her a bit as I got to meet her through Andy's posts on Facebook and those times chatting about family. On the days when the posts included pictures with Mrs. Peña's beautiful smiling face, her smile and joy lit up my days ❤️... And on those days where Mrs. Peña struggled, my thoughts and concerns were with her. May she sing, dance and be surrounded by her loved ones that have already passed before her. Thank you Andy for sharing your Mom with us a bit on Facebook. She certainly was a special lady.

Rosa, Andy and all of your families, our thoughts and prayers are with you. Hugs and love to you ❤️❤️

- Jodi, Craig and Morgan King

Jodi King - February 18, 2023 at 07:53 PM

AN

Thank you Jodi!

Andrea - June 09, 2023 at 10:30 AM

EL

“ Our deepest condolences to all the Peña Family! I cherish very fond memories of Tia and Tio. She shared so many stories with me while sitting in that two story apartment. I will forever love you. 💔 May you RIP Tia Rosalinda!



Elva - February 18, 2023 at 06:34 PM

AN

Thank you Elva - it was so nice seeing you in CC - hopefully next time we'll have more time to visit!

Andrea - June 09, 2023 at 10:30 AM

LO

“ We lived next door to the Pena's. Rosa made the best tortillas. They would take me with them to different places, basically because I would pout until they did 😊 Great Lady ❤️

Lori Howe Olson - February 18, 2023 at 06:28 PM

AN

Thank you Lori - yes her tortillas were the best!

Andrea - June 09, 2023 at 10:31 AM

AW

“ I used to love to hear her sing in church. She had an amazing voice..

Andrea Williams - February 18, 2023 at 04:54 PM



Thank you Andrea!

Andrea - June 09, 2023 at 10:31 AM