



Eulalia Mendez

July 4, 1933 - December 21, 2023

Eulalia 'Lola' Pantoja Mendez, 90, of Caldwell, Texas passed away Thursday, December 21, 2023 at home with her family by her side. A public visitation will be from 5 pm until 8 pm Friday, December 29 with a rosary recited at 7 pm in the chapel at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home in Caldwell. A Mass of the Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 am Saturday, December 30, 2023 at St. Mary's Catholic Church Reverend Melvin Dornak will officiate. Burial will follow at St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery.

Lola was born July 4, 1933 in Keller, Texas to Francisco Pantoja and Maria Hernandez. Eulalia was the youngest of seven children, four brothers and two sisters. In her spare time, she loved to travel all over the United States with her family, dancing, gardening, embroidery, she loved watching her daytime game shows: The Price is Right and Wheel of Fortune, going to casinos to play the slot machines and spending time on her porch reading books or napping. Ms. Mendez welcomed everyone into her home and you would never leave without a good home cooked meal.

Eulalia was employed at the Texas Hotel in Fort Worth, Texas in the laundry room where she met the love of her life Victor T. Mendez, Sr. They dated for a short time when they decided to move to Caldwell. They were married at St. Mary's Catholic Church on July 5, 1947. In this union, they raised nine children. For many years, she was a homemaker, wife and mother. In 1962,

She began working at Nagel Manufacturing Company and retired with over 35 years of service. Retirement was not anything she expected so she decided on a part-time job at Caldwell Cleaners. Once again, She retired from the cleaners after 10 years of service. Like clockwork, every Friday she had her hair done and then afterwards visited her 'ladies' from the cleaners.

Eulalia is preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Victor Mendez Sr., and son Natividad 'Ned' Mendez, her grandson Peter Allen, daughter-in-law Michelle Mendez, four brothers and two sisters.

She is survived by her two sons, Pablo Mendez and his wife, Sylvia of Bryan, Victor Mendez, Jr. of Caldwell; six daughters, Jane Mendez, Mary Pipkin and her husband, Lanny; Victoria Garcia; Yolanda Brinkman and husband, Larry; Carol Coker and her husband, Weldon all of Caldwell and Susan Hovis and her husband, Jeffrey of Charleston, West Virginia; twenty-seven grandchildren; twenty-four great grandchildren and nine great-great grandchildren.

Express condolences at PhillipsandLuckey.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 29. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home
404 W Buck St.
Caldwell, TX 77836

Rosary

DEC 29. 7:00 PM (CT)

Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home
404 W Buck St.
Caldwell, TX 77836

Funeral Mass

DEC 30. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church
500 W. Osr
Caldwell, TX 77836

Burial

DEC 30. 12:30 PM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery
500 W. Osr
Caldwell, TX 77836

Tribute Wall



“ *Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Eulalia Mendez*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - December 27, 2023 at 10:36 PM

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Beautiful..

Mary Lou - December 29, 2023 at 08:30 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Eulalia Mendez.*



December 29, 2023 at 12:04 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Eulalia Mendez.*



December 28, 2023 at 08:43 PM

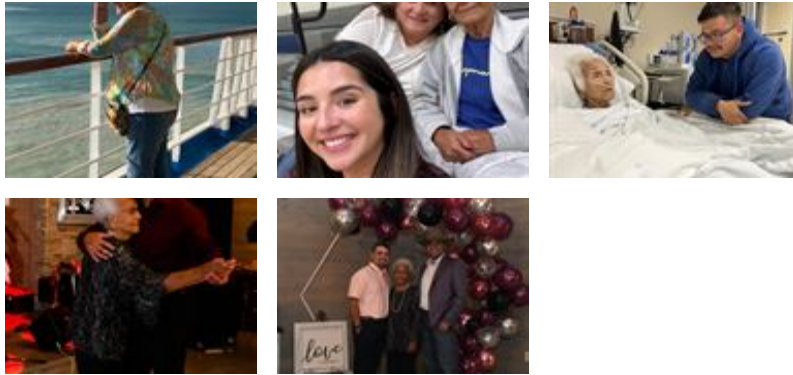
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“ Preston & Hailee Collins planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Eulalia Mendez.

Preston & Hailee Collins - December 28, 2023 at 08:43 PM



“ 295 files added to the album LifeTributes



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - December 27, 2023 at 10:20 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Eulalia Mendez.



December 27, 2023 at 05:03 PM

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“ Yolanda & Larry Brinkman and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Eulalia Mendez.

Yolanda & Larry Brinkman and family - December 27, 2023 at 05:03 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Eulalia Mendez.*



December 27, 2023 at 11:18 AM



“ *Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Eulalia Mendez.*



December 24, 2023 at 02:02 PM



“ *Ken and Debbie Shaffer (Cross Lanes, WV) purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Eulalia Mendez.*



Ken and Debbie Shaffer (Cross Lanes, WV) - December 24, 2023 at 10:35 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Eulalia Mendez.*



December 23, 2023 at 06:18 PM

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“ Steohanie Rhodes, Jeff Ham, Kara Pratt planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Eulalia Mendez.

Steohanie Rhodes, Jeff Ham, Kara Pratt - December 23, 2023 at 06:18 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Eulalia Mendez.



December 23, 2023 at 12:07 PM



“ Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Eulalia Mendez.



December 23, 2023 at 10:55 AM

FF

“ From your Rykin Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Eulalia Mendez.

From your Rykin Family - December 23, 2023 at 10:55 AM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Eulalia Mendez.*



December 23, 2023 at 10:48 AM



“ *Paul and Amy Dennis planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Eulalia Mendez.*

Paul and Amy Dennis - December 23, 2023 at 10:48 AM