



Gabriel "Gene" Garza

September 4, 1958 - February 3, 2020

Gabriel "Gene" Garza, 61, of Rockdale died on Monday, February 3, 2020 in the Parkview Regional Hospital in Mexia. He was born on September 4, 1958 to Gabriel R. and Rosa Ruth (Leyendecker) Garza in Cameron. On November 11, 2011, he married Brenda Sue Minor at the First Baptist Church in Milano.

Gene first worked at ALCOA as a trainer before becoming a truck driver for WS Industries for Joe Tovar and then for PCI. He loved being outside enjoying the country life and fishing. He loved animals, especially dogs and his donkey, Bobby. He enjoyed gardening and was always proud of his watermelons. He had a love for reading, history was his favorite subject and had almost become a history teacher. He liked to watch football and followed the Houston Texans. He was always calm and easygoing. He was a friend to everybody and had an impeccable sense of humor.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Gabriel and Rosa Garza; a daughter, Heather Marie Garza; and a son, Hagen Eugene Garza.

Gene is survived by his wife, Brenda Sue Garza of Rockdale; children, Terry L. Garza of Rockdale, Emily F. Garza and husband Julian Gonzalez of Rockdale, Victoria E. Garza of Bastrop, Buck D. Garza of Cedar Park, Diana Juarez of Franklin, and Joel Juarez of Ft. Worth; brother, Ernest Garza and wife Charlotte of Rockdale; sisters, Melba Garza of Cedar Park, Irene Garza

of Rockdale, Cathy Stracener of Rockdale, and Martha Garza of Rockdale; grandchildren, Phillip Gill, Hannah Nicole Rodriguez, Harper Brielle Rodriguez, Jayla Rose Gonzalez, Jaxon Anthony Gonzalez, Evelia Lorraine Garcia, and one on the way, Andie Jay.

A funeral service will be held at 10:00 am on Tuesday, February 11, 2020 at Phillips & Luckey in Rockdale with Pastor Harvey Abke officiating. The burial will be in the Garza Cemetery immediately following the service. There will be a visitation on Monday, February 10, 2020 from 6:00pm to 8:00 pm at the funeral home.

Pallbearers are Ruben Garza, Eddie Zapata, Cat Montelongo, Steven Garza, Julian Gonzalez, David Young, Lee Tovar, Mark Garza. Honorary pallbearers, Austin Miller, Jesse Stracener, Joel Juarez, Pete Garza, Kyler Puckett, Lamar Harrison, Joel Page, Sambo Ouk, Ronnie Alexander, Raymond Nink.

Cemetery Details

Garza Cemetery

County Road 306
Rockdale, TX 76567

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 10. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - Rockdale
1041 West Highway 79
Rockdale, TX 76567
(512) 446-5454
phillips_luckey@yahoo.com
<https://www.phillipsandluckey.com/>

Funeral Service

FEB 11. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Gabriel "Gene" Garza*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - February 10, 2020 at 02:22 PM

LG

So sad to hear of Gene's passing. He could always put a smile on my face even during difficult times. Gene was like a ray of sunshine, his loss is felt, and he will be missed. My condolences to his wife, children and family.

Lydia Garza - February 19, 2020 at 02:49 PM

AF

“ *Aretha Flores lit a candle in memory of Gabriel "Gene" Garza*



Aretha Flores - February 10, 2020 at 09:02 PM



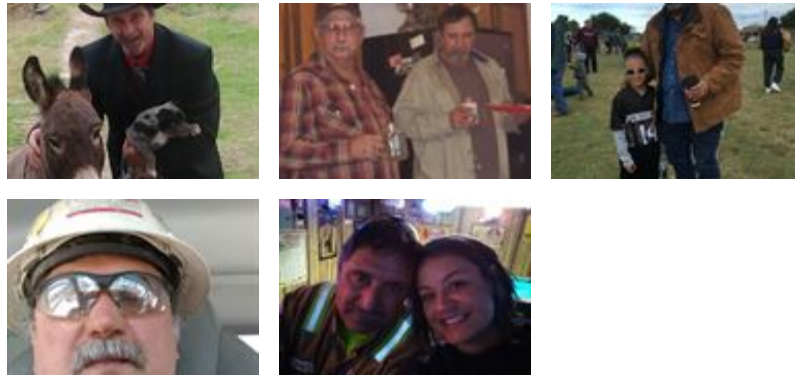
“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gabriel "Gene" Garza.*



February 10, 2020 at 01:59 PM



“ 36 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - February 10, 2020 at 01:53 PM

JG

“ Joe & Ruth Garza purchased the *Medium Dish Garden* for the family of Gabriel "Gene" Garza.



Joe & Ruth Garza - February 10, 2020 at 10:26 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Gabriel "Gene" Garza.



February 10, 2020 at 08:22 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Gabriel "Gene" Garza.*



February 08, 2020 at 09:02 PM



“ *Brenda, Praying that God will grant you, Gene's family, and your family the comfort and strength you need during the difficult days ahead. Max and Juanice*

Juanice Thiele - February 07, 2020 at 09:24 PM



“ *My condolences to family and friends during this sad time. My God give strength to carry on. R.I.P. From The De Luna Family, Rockdale.*

Frank&Sandra De Luna - February 07, 2020 at 10:58 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Gabriel "Gene" Garza.*



February 06, 2020 at 02:28 PM

PA

“ *When you picture Gene in your head there is always a smile on his face. God's Speed Gene. You will be missed by all who knew you.*
Pam and Ronnie Alexander

Pam and Ronnie Alexander - February 06, 2020 at 02:15 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Gabriel "Gene" Garza.*



February 06, 2020 at 10:15 AM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Gabriel "Gene" Garza.*



February 06, 2020 at 10:13 AM

TH

“ *Although I know words offer small comfort in your hour of sorrow. I do wish to express my sincere sympathy to Gene's family, relatives and friends. I met Gene several years ago at the Garza family reunion. He made a lasting impression on me with his infectious sense of humor, warm personality and the common interest we shared. With heartfelt condolence and deepest sympathy. Terry H*

Terry R. Housley - February 06, 2020 at 12:35 AM

LK

“ Liz & Kamran Khan lit a candle in memory of Gabriel "Gene" Garza



Liz & Kamran Khan - February 06, 2020 at 12:12 AM



“ Martha Morris lit a candle in memory of Gabriel "Gene" Garza



Martha Morris - February 05, 2020 at 11:58 PM

KS

“ Kenneth And Laura Senkel lit a candle in memory of Gabriel "Gene" Garza



Kenneth and Laura Senkel - February 05, 2020 at 06:27 PM

JH

“ Sure am going to miss Gene. I enjoyed his company.



Jonathan Harris - February 05, 2020 at 03:41 PM

SD

“ Sherry Dyer lit a candle in memory of Gabriel "Gene" Garza



Sherry Dyer - February 05, 2020 at 02:03 PM



Condolences to to all the Garza family from Martha Morris and family from Austin Tx

Martha Morris - February 05, 2020 at 11:50 PM



So sorry for ur loss God has gained an angel. May he rest in peace.

Martha Morris - February 05, 2020 at 11:55 PM

AF

“ Aretha Flores lit a candle in memory of Gabriel "Gene" Garza



Aretha Flores - February 05, 2020 at 02:00 PM

GJ

“ 2 files added to the album Gene



Gina Jatzlau - February 05, 2020 at 12:28 PM

GJ

“ I was truly saddened to hear of Gene's passing. I am so sorry Brenda that you lost the love of your life. My heart truly hurts for you and Gene's children and the rest of the family. Prayers of comfort to you all. Sure will miss seeing you two together.
Love y'all ,
Gina Jatzlau



Gina Jatzlau - February 05, 2020 at 12:03 PM

SW

“ Shirley Walker lit a candle in memory of Gabriel "Gene" Garza



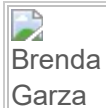
Shirley Walker - February 05, 2020 at 11:40 AM

LM

“ May the Lord Bless you and keep you, May the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious unto you giving you His peace. Sending prayers and our condolences to the family and friends of Gene 🙏❤️
Fly with the angels Gene Garza 😇🙏❤️



Lori Shaw Montelongo - February 05, 2020 at 11:12 AM



Love you For your thoughts and blessings and prayers.

Brenda Garza - July 09, 2021 at 11:51 PM



“ *Dawn of Remembrance Basket was purchased for the family of Gabriel "Gene" Garza.*



February 05, 2020 at 10:49 AM



“ *Bethany Wallis lit a candle in memory of Gabriel "Gene" Garza*



Bethany Wallis - February 05, 2020 at 09:56 AM