



## Martin Garcia Martinez

October 8, 1940 - October 12, 2015

Martin Garcia Martinez, 75 of Caldwell passed away Monday, October 12, 2015 in Bryan, TX. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held Friday, October 16, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Caldwell the burial will follow in the church cemetery. The family will receive guests from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Thursday evening with the Holy Rosary being recited at 7:00 p.m.

Martin was born October 8, 1940 in the Chriesman community of Burleson County to parents, Bictor Martinez and Josephine Garcia. He married Obeta Mendoza July 22, 1961 in Cameron, Texas. When his mother passed at a young age he was then cared for by Juana Reyes who raised him like her own son.

Mr. Martinez was a hard worker and worked for Kellar Ladder Company for over 24 years. He enjoyed playing music with his accordion, fishing, watching the Dallas Cowboys, gardening especially, his hot peppers or spending time with his friends entertaining or telling jokes. Martin attended St. Mary's Catholic Church for many years until his health began to fail.

Martin was preceded in death by his father, Bictor Martinez, and mother, Josephine Garcia as well as Juana Reyes who he loved as his mother, 2 sisters, Virginia Ramos and Bascila Maldonado.

He is survived by his loving wife of 54 years, Obeta Martinez of Caldwell, TX., 2 sons, Raphael Paul Martinez Sr. of Caldwell, TX., and Steven Michael Martinez and wife Leonila Lazo of Bryan, TX., a brother, Bart Martinez and wife Margaret of West Texas, 2 sisters, Placida Martinez and Apolina Benavides both of Temple, TX., and 10 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren and many nieces, nephews other relatives and many friends.

Serving as pall bearers will be Raphael Paul Martinez Jr., Frankie Paul Martinez, Ralph Martin Martinez, Jose Gaucin, Floyd Mendoza Jr. and Christopher J. Mendoza. Honorary pallbearers will be his great grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be given to the St. Mary's Catholic Church Altar Society or charity of your choice.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery

500 W. Osr  
Caldwell, TX 77836

# Previous Events

## Family Present for Visitation

OCT **15**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - Caldwell  
404 W. Buck St.  
Caldwell, TX 77836  
(979) 567-3232  
phillipsandluckeyfh@yahoo.com  
<https://www.phillipsandluckey.com/>

## Rosary

OCT **15**. 7:00 PM - 7:20 PM (CT)

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## Mass of Christian Burial

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OCT 16. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Aurora Olivarez Pollock & Family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Martin Garcia Martinez.*



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**Aurora Olivarez Pollock & Family** - October 15, 2015 at 06:57 PM

TW

“ *Terri Lynn Whitley Wheeler purchased the Garden of Serenity Bouquet for the family of Martin Garcia Martinez.*



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**Terri Lynn Whitley Wheeler** - October 15, 2015 at 09:52 AM

AB

“ *Asencion B. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Martin Garcia Martinez.*



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**Asencion B.** - October 14, 2015 at 10:28 PM

AJ

“ I always remember as a child growing up, when we lived in Chicago, we would travel all day and night til we got to Chriesman, Texas to visit Martin & Obeta, and Tia Pabla.. I always cherished the time we spent on summers there.

When our family moved to Texas, we dropped off two roosters to Martins' place, Mijo, and Coco. They stayed there til Mom found a house in Rogers, Tx. When it was time to bring the roosters to their new home in Rogers, Martin & Obeta, introduced to us, the new addition to their family, and that was Ralph.

As the years went by, I recall Martin visiting Mom & Dad when they moved to Temple, Tx. Along with Dad, Grandpa, and Martin, having some beers and talking about music and the events of the day, I stopped by to say hello. Martin shook my hand and with that warm smile, he told me just how proud he was of me (Jr) for Graduating High School, college, and having that career, and to top it off, Martin complimented me on my hobby of flying. I became a private pilot. And how he encouraged me to stay the course. I remember those days and will always cherish that about My Uncle Martin. And now that He's in Heaven, he's got the best flight anyone can have.

GOD BLESS YOU~!

Your Nephew, Asencion Benavides, Jr.

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Asencion Benavides, Jr. - October 14, 2015 at 08:51 PM

HJ

*Goodbye Uncle Martin...until we meet again. My mom, Basilia never told us you were actually our cousin until I was at least 12. So your whole life, in my heart, you were and still are my uncle. Thank you for all the childhood memories you gave me, always smiling, laughing and pulling out the jokes and pranks. I will always remember my mom's brother with love and admiration. What a blessed reunion in Heaven. You will reunite with you mom, your dad, Grandma, your 2nd mom, your sisters including my mom, Basilia. Rest in Peace, you left a beautiful legacy.*

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**Helen Maldonado Junot** - October 15, 2015 at 11:52 AM

TW

*I only knew one person in my life that could play the accordion and that was Martin Martinez. He would always play it when they had a BBQ at the house. I thought that was the most amazing thing I had ever seen. Martin was a great father in law too. He was always very respectful to me. I was glad I had the chance to know him! May you rest in peace Martin! And Prayers for the family! Terri Whitley Wheeler*

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**Terri Wheeler** - October 16, 2015 at 11:12 AM