

Lidia Garza Gongora

August 9, 1933 - August 17, 2024

Lidia Garza Gongora, 91, of Kenner, Louisiana, peacefully died on Saturday, August 17, 2024, with her loving children at her bedside. Lidia was born in 1933 in Matamoros, Mexico, to Guadalupe and Francisca Garza. She grew up in Matamoros, Mexico, with her 6 brothers, Conception, Irineo, Francisco, Guillermo, Gil, and Federico Garza on her family ranch, La Tijerita. She met the love of her life and best friend, Guadalupe “Lupe” Gongora when she was 17. They would be married for over 55 years, until he predeceased her in 2007. Together they worked hard to provide themselves and their children a better life. She had three children who were her biggest blessings and supported her until her last breath. Miguel Angel (Maritza) Gongora, Maria Elena (Humberto) Hidalgo, and Rodrigo (Linda) Gongora lived their whole lives knowing they had their mother to watch over them, though in many ways it was they who were taking care of their mother. They now transition to a new life knowing that her spirit is reunited with her beloved Lupe and together their parents continue to watch over them.

In 1967, Lidia moved with her family to Kenner, Louisiana, and lived on 21st street almost the entire time. The walls of her family home would tell stories of a strong woman who fed, clothed, housed, and nurtured three generations after her. She has 8 grandchildren who made her smile with pride: Marisol Gongora, Victoria (Brandon) Hidalgo-Drum, Marianela Mikhal (Omar) Abou-Sayed, Monica (Tracy) Gordon, Elizabeth (John) King, Rodrigo (Sara) Gongora, Humberto (Laura) Hidalgo, and Manuel (Breana) Hidalgo. Even

though she did not have the privilege to complete her education, one of her greatest prides was that all of her grandchildren attended college and almost all have one or more degrees. She was blessed with 11 great-grandchildren, but it was her best great grand-buddy, Antonio, who gave her a will to wake up in the mornings and enjoy her days more than she ever thought possible. Lidia lived 91 years and she will be missed today, tomorrow, and forever. After her cremation, her ashes will be laid in Matamoros, Mexico, at her family ranch, La Tijerita, where she will lie with generations of her loved ones before her, especially Lupe.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to The Muscular Dystrophy Association at www.mda.org.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend the Visitation and Funeral Service on Saturday, August 24, 2024 at L. A. Muhleisen and Son Funeral Home, 2607 Williams Blvd., Kenner. Visitation from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., followed by Funeral Service at 4:00 p.m.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **24**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

L.A. Muhleisen & Son Funeral Home
2607 Williams Blvd
Kenner, LA 70062
(504) 466-8577
info@muhleisen.com

Prayer Service

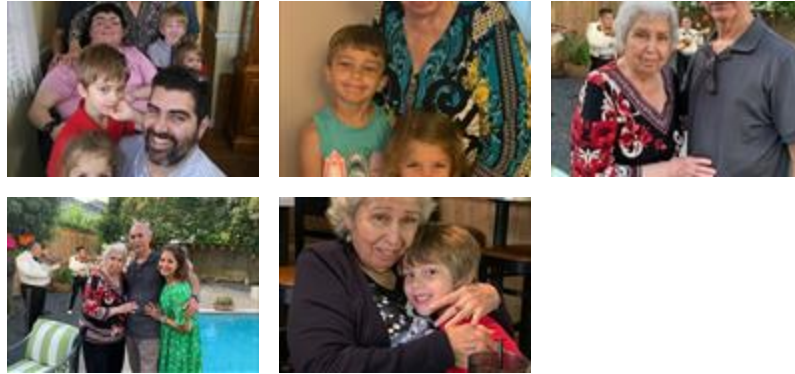
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Tribute Wall

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Rodrigo Gongora II - August 24, 2024 at 07:56 AM

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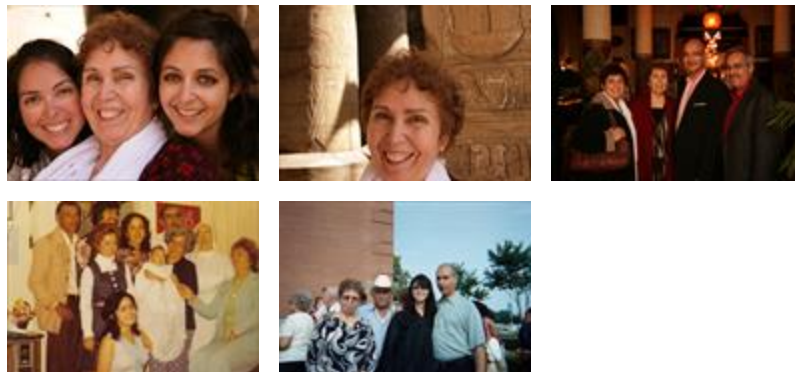
“ Eusebio & Stacy Gongora purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Lidia Garza Gongora.



Eusebio & Stacy Gongora - August 23, 2024 at 04:27 PM

MA

“ 51 files added to the tribute wall



Mikhal Abou-Sayed - August 23, 2024 at 02:10 PM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Lidia Garza Gongora.



August 23, 2024 at 01:17 PM

MJ

“ Meredith, Amy, Steve, Jeremy planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lidia Garza Gongora.

Meredith, Amy, Steve, Jeremy - August 23, 2024 at 01:17 PM

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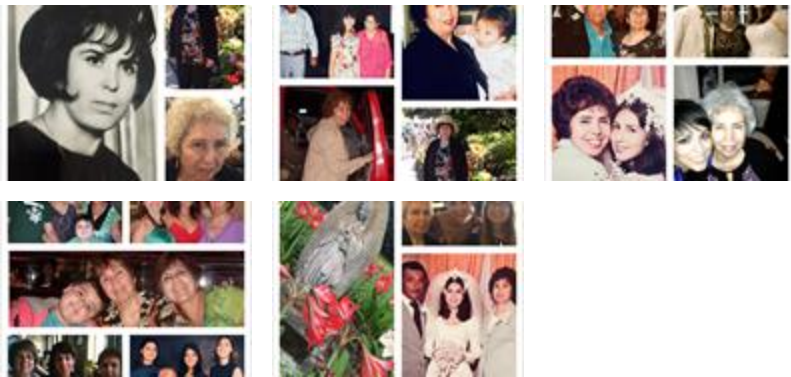
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Rodrigo - August 23, 2024 at 08:30 AM

VH

“ 12 files added to the tribute wall



Victoria Hidalgo - August 22, 2024 at 11:07 PM



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Leila Castellanos - August 22, 2024 at 10:00 PM



“ *Maria, siento mucho la muerte de tu madre, ella fue una excelente persona, que Dios le de el descanso eterno que se merece 🙏 recibe un abrazo muy fuerte a la distancia.*

*Tu amiga
Leila Castellano*

Leila Castellanos - August 22, 2024 at 09:10 PM



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Leila Castellanos - August 22, 2024 at 09:38 PM



“ *Marisol, Marianela, and Elizabeth purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Lidia Garza Gongora.*



Marisol, Marianela, and Elizabeth - August 22, 2024 at 08:35 PM



“ *Marisol, Marianela, and Elizabeth planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lidia Garza Gongora.*

Marisol, Marianela, and Elizabeth - August 22, 2024 at 08:35 PM

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Rodrigo - August 22, 2024 at 07:54 PM

TF

“ The Gum Family (Mikhal's friends) purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Lidia Garza Gongora.



The Gum Family (Mikhal's friends) - August 22, 2024 at 07:35 PM

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“ The Gum Family (Mikhal's friends) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lidia Garza Gongora.

The Gum Family (Mikhal's friends) - August 22, 2024 at 07:35 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lidia Garza Gongora.



August 20, 2024 at 02:18 PM

VM

“ Vickie and Billy Minor planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lidia Garza Gongora.

Vickie and Billy Minor - August 20, 2024 at 02:18 PM

TD

“ The Drums purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Lidia Garza Gongora.



The Drums - August 20, 2024 at 01:56 PM

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“ The Drums planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lidia Garza Gongora.

The Drums - August 20, 2024 at 01:56 PM

CG

“ Tía Lila descanse en paz.. me saluda a los que ya están en casa. Saludos a todos los tíos y a mi papá. Los extrañamos muchísimo. Fueron personas llenas de vida y siempre algún drama estaba presente con ustedes. Usted fue una persona importante en la vida mía y de mi familia cuando yo iba creciendo. Estas son unas fotos a como yo la recuerdo a usted y toda su familia. Sonrientes y siempre celebrando a alguien. Hoy celebramos su vida y todos los recuerdos que nos dejó muy marcados. La queremos y no es un adiós es un hasta pronto nos vemos en casa La Tijerita.



Carmen Garza - August 20, 2024 at 12:46 PM