



Maria M. (Torres) Arellano

December 11, 1928 - April 11, 2025

ADRIAN- Maria Melquiades Torres Arellano, age 96, went to be with the Lord on Friday, April 11, 2025, surrounded by the love of her family and under the care of Harmony Cares Hospice.

Maria was born on December 11, 1928, in Fraccion de la Concepcion (Enrique Estrada), San Luis Potosi, Mexico, the daughter of Damacio and Dionicia (Aguilar) Torres. She grew up in El Rancho de La Concha a beautiful village near the city of San Luis Potosi. Her Mom passed away when Maria was very young, and her beloved older sister Goya was there to help raise her. On December 11, 1948, which happened to be her 20th birthday, Maria married Maurilio Arellano in Hidalgo, Texas and he preceded her in death on February 3, 2004. Together they raised a family of 5 children. Maria loved gardening and taking care of all her beautiful roses around her home. She worked in Harlingen, Texas at a shrimp factory from 1949-1965. Maria loved her children dearly and was a courageous, strong woman who worked tirelessly to provide for her family. A visionary at heart, she always looked ahead-working hard in her younger years to acquire property and build a better future for her children. Later in life, she settled in Adrian, Michigan where she was surrounded by the love of her five children. In her final years, Maria resided in Adrian until October 2023, she moved to Potterville, Michigan to live with her daughter, Irma Arellano, where she was lovingly cared for and cherished by her family.

Maria is survived by her loving family, son, Maurilio (Yolanda) Arellano of Grand Ledge, MI, daughter, Maria (Sam) Faz of Adrian, MI, son, Robert (Diane) of Winfield, IN, Jayne Arellano (devoted partner, Scott Otto) of Monroe, MI and daughter, Irma Arellano of Potterville, MI; grandchildren, Marisol and Hector Arroyo, Maurilio Arellano III, Javier Faz, Zachary Arellano, Jasmine Arellano, Vincent Otto, Kallista Otto, Aryanna Otto, Oscar Cortez III, Selina (David) Turner, Miguel Cortez, Gabriel Cortez; and a nephew who she loved dearly as a son, Ruben Salazar, great grandchildren, Armando Arroyo, Jesus Arroyo, Nayeli Arroyo, Isaiah Faz, Dominic Otto, Vera Mae Richards, Daisy Jade Turner, Austynn Mae Arellano, Benicio Arellano, Jayden Alexander Arellano, Avery Grace Arellano and Annaleia Sage Arellano; along with numerous nieces, nephews, and other extended family members throughout the U.S. and Mexico. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband and her siblings, Goya, Domingo, Aurelio, Natacio, Leon, Agustín, and Valentina.

A funeral mass for the soul of Maria will be celebrated by Father Mike Newman, OSFS, on Friday, April 25, 2025, at 10:30 a.m. at Holy Family Parish, St. Mary's Campus in Adrian. The family will receive friends for visitation at Wagley Funeral Home, Adrian on Thursday, April 24, 2025 from 4-7:00 p.m. with a family led recitation of the Rosary at 7:00 p.m. An additional visitation will be held on Friday morning at the church from 9:30 a.m. until mass begins. Burial will follow at St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Holy Family Parish, Adrian.

Online condolences and memories may be shared at www.WagleyFuneralHomes.com

Cemetery Details

St. Mary Cemetery

Adrian, MI 49221

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 24. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Wagley Funeral Home (Adrian)
1501 W. Maumee St.
Adrian, MI 49221
(517) 263-1400
info@wagleyfuneralhome.com
<https://www.WagleyFuneralHome.com>

Rosary

APR 24. 7:00 PM - 7:30 PM (ET)

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Visitation

APR 25. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Holy Family Parish
St. Mary's Campus
305 Division Street
Adrian, MI 49221

Funeral Mass

APR 25. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

Holy Family Parish
St. Mary's Campus
305 Division Street
Adrian, MI 49221

Burial

APR 25. 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM (ET)

St. Mary Cemetery
Adrian, MI 49221

Tribute Wall

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“ *Maria and Sam, we send our heartfelt condolences to you and will keep you in prayer. 96 yrs is such a blessing that leaves you with so many treasured moments. We are sorry we can't be there today, but pray God grants you strength and comfort during this difficult time.*
Annita & Jess Aranda



Annita and Jess Aranda - April 25, 2025 at 09:19 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Maria M. (Torres) Arellano.*



April 23, 2025 at 04:41 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Maria M. (Torres) Arellano.*

April 23, 2025 at 04:41 PM



“ 6 files added to the album Mom



Maria Arellano - April 18, 2025 at 04:18 PM



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Maria Arellano - April 18, 2025 at 04:13 PM



“ Irma Arellano lit a candle in memory of Maria (Torres) Arellano



Irma Arellano - April 17, 2025 at 11:48 AM

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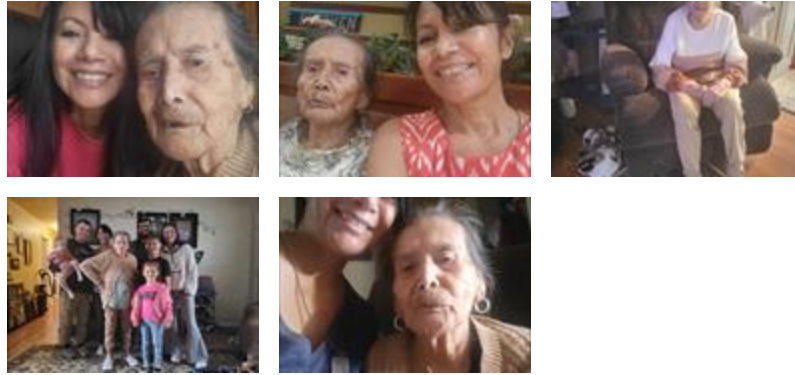
“ Marty, Elly, Gracie, and Dot Jordan purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Maria M. (Torres) Arellano.



Marty, Elly, Gracie, and Dot Jordan - April 17, 2025 at 10:58 AM

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“ Te amo tanto, mamá ❤️. Te llevaste una gran parte de mi corazón conmigo 💔. No sé cómo seguir sin ti.



Irma Arellano - April 17, 2025 at 09:24 AM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Maria Faz - April 16, 2025 at 02:48 PM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Maria Faz - April 16, 2025 at 02:46 PM

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“ Miguel Martinez and Family of Texas purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Maria M. (Torres) Arellano.



Miguel Martinez and Family of Texas - April 14, 2025 at 01:11 PM