



## Efrain Chapa

September 5, 1943 - March 18, 2025

Efrain Chapa, 81, of Kingsville, Texas, passed away on March 18, 2025, in Kingsville, Texas, leaving behind a legacy of faith, family and community.

He was born on September 5, 1943, in Alice, Texas to Atilano and Eliza Chapa.

Efrain was a dedicated educator, teaching for 30 years with the Kingsville Independent School District (KISD) before retiring. He was deeply committed to his students and loved seeing them thrive, often reminiscing about the many lives he impacted throughout his career.

Beyond his passion for teaching, Efrain was an avid farmer and rancher. He took great pride in growing crops, including watermelons, cantaloupes, cucumbers, and corn. He was a devoted, longtime member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church, where his unwavering faith served as a cornerstone throughout his life.

Efrain was deeply involved in his community, particularly through his role as KKJLS Poultry Superintendent for many years. He also spent countless hours as a baseball and softball coach, sharing his love for sports with his children and other youth in the area.

He enjoyed fishing but hunting was his true passion, where he found joy in the outdoors and the camaraderie with friends and family. He was a proud supporter of his grandchildren's activities, including stock shows, football games, softball games, and any & all events.

A person who never met a stranger, Efrain was known for his generosity, warmth, smile, and his mustache. He loved seeing his former students and cherished the bonds he created throughout his life.

Survivors include his devoted wife of 59 years, Noelia L. Chapa of Kingsville; one son, Oscar (Priscilla) Chapa of Richmond; two daughters, Debbie Chapa Brannon of Katy, and Jackie Chapa (John) Guerrero of Kingsville; six grandchildren, Anthony, Albert, Allie, Andie, John David, and Julia; four great-grandchildren, Georgina, Jakson, Ava, and Camila; two sisters, Adriana (Israel) Lopez, and Alva Lee (Victor) Diaz De Leon; and a host of cousins, nieces, and nephews.

A visitation will be held on Friday, March 21, 2025, from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. at Ramirez-Salinas Funeral Home, with a Holy Rosary to begin at 10:00 a.m. A Funeral Mass will follow at 12:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church with Father Paulson officiating. Burial will follow at Santa Gertrudis Memorial Cemetery.

Efrain's legacy of love, faith, and community will continue to inspire all who knew him. He will be dearly missed by his family, friends, and all who had the privilege of crossing his path. May his soul rest in eternal peace.

# Cemetery Details

## Santa Gertrudis Memorial Cemetery

835 W Caesar Ave  
Kingsville, TX 78363

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 21. 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Ramirez-Salinas Funeral Home  
230 East Ella Avenue  
Kingsville, TX 78363  
(361) 592-2413

## Rosary

MAR 21. 10:00 AM (CT)

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## Funeral Mass

MAR 21. 12:00 PM (CT)

Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church  
1102 E Kleberg Ave,  
Kingsville, TX



# Tribute Wall

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“ I am so sorry to hear of Franny's passing. I well remember his good humor and kindness from our high school days. My heart goes to to Noelia and all the family.  
*Pat Davis Class of '63*

Pat Davis - April 07, 2025 at 09:35 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Efrain Chapa.



March 21, 2025 at 06:26 PM

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“ Comadre Noelia, My deepest Condolenses to you and your family! May compadre Rest In Peace! Lydia Flores. and Godson Adrian Oliveira

Lydia E. Flores - March 21, 2025 at 10:57 AM

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“ Grace & The Gomez girls purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Efrain Chapa.



Grace & The Gomez girls - March 20, 2025 at 08:19 PM