



Maria Elena "Helen" Cortez

August 23, 1958 - April 25, 2023

Maria Elena "Helen" Cortez, 64, of Kingsville, Texas passed away on April 25, 2023, in Bishop, Texas.

She was born on August 23, 1958, in Kingsville, Texas to Lucio and Elena Cortez.

Helen was fearless and independent. She was strong-willed and stubborn, those traits defined her. They were part of who she was, and her strength undoubtedly helped her deal with life's challenges. When Helen was first diagnosed with cancer, she fought as hard as she could and surpassed every restriction placed on her. Helen was a strong fighter, but she is now at rest. We know that she is free from pain, but she will be forever missed.

She is preceded in death by five brothers, Benjamin Cortez, Juan Cortez, Lucio Cortez III, Mario Cortez, and Daniel Cortez; two sisters, Anna Maria Serrano, and Maria Luisa Rodriguez; and one grandson, Juan Rolando "CJ" Conde.

Survivors include one daughter, Yvonne Cortez; one brother, Rolando Cortez of Houston; her partner, Jose Muniz; four grandchildren, Adrian, Arturo, Cassandra, and Manuel; one great-granddaughter, Hailey; and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, and nephews.

Visitation will be held on Friday, May 5, 2023, from 8:00 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. at Ramirez-Salinas Funeral Home, with a Rosary at 10:00 a.m.

A Memorial Mass will be held on Friday, May 5, 2023, at 2:00 p.m. at St. Martin Catholic Church with Father Alfredo Villarreal officiating.

Interment will follow at Santa Gertrudis Memorial Cemetery.
Arrangements under the direction of Ramirez-Salinas Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Santa Gertrudis Memorial Cemetery

835 W Caesar Ave
Kingsville, TX 78363

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 5. 8:00 AM - 1:30 PM (CT)

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

Rosary

MAY 5. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Memorial Mass

MAY 5. 2:00 PM (CT)

St Martin Catholic Church
715 N 8th St
Kingsville, TX 78363-4515
(361) 592-4602

Tribute Wall

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“ I have know as Mary Helen Cortez n her family , since we were young. May you Rest In Peace my dear friend.

janie - May 04, 2023 at 03:28 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Maria Elena "Helen" Cortez.



May 03, 2023 at 01:18 PM

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“ My Condolences to the Cortez Family,
You may be gone but will never be forgotten
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May you RIP.



Angela De Luna - May 02, 2023 at 11:53 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Maria Elena "Helen" Cortez.



May 01, 2023 at 10:37 PM

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“ Rest In Eternal Paradise With Great Grandma Faustina&Mom Your In The Heavenly Father's Hands Now Healthy&Living Full Of Life Truly God's Plan We Love You Gone But Never Forgotten 🙏☐❤️



Roxanne Rojas - May 01, 2023 at 10:35 PM

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“ Paula Cortez Arboleda lit a candle in memory of Maria Elena "Helen" Cortez



Paula Cortez Arboleda - May 01, 2023 at 07:13 PM