



## Maria Imelda Pena

June 10, 1948 - April 18, 2023

Maria Imelda Pena, 74, of Kingsville, Texas passed away on April 18, 2023, in McAllen, Texas.

She was born on June 10, 1948, in Kingsville, Texas to Enrique and Rebecca Pena. She was a retired educator. She was a member of St. Martin's Catholic Church, The Apostolate of the Cross, and Guadalupanas.

Survivors include one son, Enrique Arce; one godson, Joe David (Alejandra) Bowman; one sister, Lillie J. Bowman; a close cousin, Margaret Maldonado; dear friends, Eva Villanueva, Maria Bertha Romero, Father Francisco Soliz, Father Felix Casares, as well as the sisters from St. Martin's Convent; and numerous cousins, nieces, and nephews.

Visitation will be held on Friday, April 21, 2023, from 9:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. at Ramirez-Salinas Funeral Home, with a Rosary at 7:00 p.m.

A Funeral Mass will be held on Saturday, April 22, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. at St. Martin Catholic Church with Father Alfredo Villarreal officiating.

Burial will follow at Santa Gertrudis Memorial Cemetery.

Arrangements are under the direction of Ramirez-Salinas Funeral Home.

# Cemetery Details

## Santa Gertrudis Memorial Cemetery

835 W Caesar Ave  
Kingsville, TX 78363

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 21. 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM (CT)

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

## Rosary

APR 21. 7:00 PM (CT)

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

## Funeral Mass

APR 22. 10:00 AM (CT)

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

# Tribute Wall

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“ My family has known Imelda for approximately 38 years. I remember her ever since I was in elementary school. I also remember her when she was a math professor at UTB. She was always so kind and a very happy person. I am so grateful she was able to tutor my son last year in November to pass an exam. She was so happy when I gave her the news that my son had passed the exam. I will be forever grateful for that. She will be deeply missed. My sincere condolences to all her family and friends. I thank God for blessing us with Imelda's beautiful friendship. May she R.I.P.

Rosalinda Valdez - April 22, 2023 at 12:23 AM

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“ I met Imelda when I started working at Texas Southmost College in 1973. When we discovered that we had attended the same university, had mutual friends, and were actually next-door neighbors at the old barracks, we quickly became friends. As her friend and colleague, I saw her strength and dedication daily, and even now I can see her getting home from classes, tutoring patiently for several hours, and then entertaining la visita that had dropped by. She loved get-togethers and would often invite neighbors, students, former students, friends, old and new, to meriendas and cenas at her home. I feel blessed to have experienced Imelda's hospitality and friendship for all these years. I will miss her. My deepest condolences to her family and friends.

Teresa Cadena - April 21, 2023 at 10:49 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Maria Imelda Pena.



April 20, 2023 at 06:56 PM

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“ I met Imelda when I was a freshman at Texas A&I University. She was just a little older than I was, but she showed me around campus and introduced me to new friends. I never got to thank her for being so kind and generous with me way back then. I will always remember her helping me to fit in and to understand what life in college is about. Thank you, Imelda. We both became educators! May you rest in peace.

Norma Martinez Moon - April 20, 2023 at 05:56 PM

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*I am sorry for your mom Enrique hope you are doing well God bless you always I was your mom friend she was my tia Rosario armendariz she was a sister in dan martin I love her very much I will miss her lot this my phone number 575494 my address is 1040holly dr Las Cruces n.m.88005 tell lily jean to all me I love you always*

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**Frances becerra** - April 26, 2023 at 09:29 PM