



Nicolasa "Nico" Ortega

January 5, 1919 - May 11, 2016

Our beloved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, aunt, cousin and friend quietly passed away at her home while in the company of her youngest son and her devoted care giver on May 11, 2016. Nicolasa Venegas Ortega, affectionately known as Nico or Nikki was born on January 5, 1919 in Chihuahua, Mexico. At the time of her birth her parents were living in Fabens, Texas. After her marriage to Salvador Ortega, they settled in El Paso, Texas to raise their family. Later around the 1950's Nicolasa moved to Santa Barbara, California with her children. After working there for several years and making many friends she moved to Lompoc, California. In 1997 she became a U.S. citizen and was very proud of that, and so was her family. She loved helping people and after retiring she devoted 20 years of volunteer service to the Lompoc Nutrition Center. She received many acknowledgements and awards from the City of Lompoc. She was preceded in death by her parents Rafael and Concepcion Venegas, her brothers Rafael Jr., and Ernesto, her older sister Juana Velarde; her sons Raymond M. Ramirez, Salvador Ortega, Jr. and Antonio V. Ortega. She is survived by her sons Oscar Ortega and Javier Richard Ortega, her daughters Maria C. Ortega, Ann Helena Ortega, Estela Andrews (Steve), and Sylvia Heredia (Gerard), and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Services are being arranged by Welch-Ryce-Haider Mortuary in Santa Barbara, CA.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

199 North Hope Ave
Santa Barbara, CA 93110
(805) 687-8811
http://www.archdiocese.la/directories/cemeteries/info.php?cemetery_id=3

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **23**. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (PT)

Welch-Ryce-Haider - Downtown
15 E. Sola St.
Santa Barbara, CA 93101
(805) 965-5145
info@wrhsb.com
<https://www.wrhsb.com>

Funeral Mass

MAY **24**. 10:00 AM (PT)

Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church
21 E Sola Street
Santa Barbara, CA 93101