



Manuel Levi Olivas

September 4, 1925 - May 23, 2015

Manuel Levi Olivas, 89, passed away peacefully on May 23, 2015, surrounded by his wife and seven children. He was preceded in death by his parents; four siblings and son-in-law, Jack Dawson. He is survived by his loving and devoted wife of 64 years, Dolores, his butterfly. He is also survived by his seven children: Andres Olivas and wife, Verena, Manuel Olivas, Jr. and wife, Donna, Felix Olivas and wife, Gloria, Eva Marie Griego and husband, Mike, Patricia Dawson, Susie Martinez and husband, Gerard, Albert Olivas and wife, Angela; 23 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren and one great-great grandchild.

He served honorably in the United States Navy during WWII from 1943 to 1946 on the USS Iowa and again during the Korean War from 1948 to 1952 on the USS Tawasa. He retired from the Los Alamos National Lab in 1987. Manuel and Dolores have attended and were faithful members of St. Jude Thaddeus Catholic Church in Paradise Hills since living in Albuquerque. He lived in retirement in Albuquerque and loved spending time in La Jara, NM with all of his family, especially his best friend, his wife, Dolores. Hunting and fishing with his four sons were some of his favorite things to do, and just being surrounded by all of his children and grandchildren was a constant joy in his life. Let us not forget Pepie, a little Jack Russell terrier who was his best four-legged friend and constant companion.

We thank our Loving Savior, Jesus Christ for this amazing man who is a devoted husband, our beloved father and loving grandpa. Though we will miss

you with tears, we will remember you with much love and we will smile again. We are comforted knowing we will see you again, but until then, daddy, we will be OK. How we will miss your smiling eyes.

We would like to thank the ICU team at Lovelace Westside Hospital, Heritage Hospice, especially Jessica Perez and Tami Taylor for the gentle and loving care of our beloved Dad.

A Memorial Rosary will be recited Friday, May 29, 2015, 12:30 p.m. at St. Jude Thaddeus Catholic Church, 5712 Paradise Blvd. NW, ABQ 87114. A Memorial Mass will follow at 1:00 p.m. at the church. Interment will be held Friday, June 5, 2015 at 3:00 p.m. at Santa Fe National Cemetery.

FRENCH – Westside

9300 Golf Course Rd NW

505-897-0300

Cemetery Details

Santa Fe National Cemetery

501 N. Guadalupe St.
NM 87504

Previous Events

Memorial Rosary

MAY **29**. 12:30 PM - 1:00 PM (MT)

St. Jude Thaddeus Catholic Church
5712 Paradise Blvd. NW
Albuquerque, NM

Memorial Mass

MAY **29**. 1:00 PM (MT)

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Interment

JUN **5**. 3:00 PM (MT)

Santa Fe National Cemetery
Santa Fe, NM

Tribute Wall

MG

“ My dearest Daddy, How I miss you. You are the first love of my life and because of the example you gave by your love and devotion to mom, I knew the kind of man I wanted to marry. You and Mom always put God first and because of your faithfulness, He truly blessed our family beyond measure. Tears seem to come with every memory, it just hurts so badly, but I know that in time we will smile through the tears, and be able to laugh at all the funny and silly things that happened. And I will thank God every day for all the joy we had in the past and the joy we will have forever. Till we see you in heaven, I will miss you everyday. With all my heart, Daddy, I Love you!!! Marie

Marie Griego - June 03, 2015 at 06:07 PM

VO

“ I am so blessed to be part of this beautiful family, when I first met Andres brothers and sisters, knew that Manuel Olivas's family was something special, You could always feel the love, And I knew it came from the love Dad and mom always showed each other. I would alway love to call to mom and Dads, when he answered the phone, he would always ask how everyone was, and how are thing were up at the ranch, then right before he would hand mom the phone, he would always tell me that he loved me. dad I promise we will take care of your butterfly, we won't do as good of a job as you did, be we will try, Cause we all no that no one can fill your shoes, you will be dearly missed Dad, and we will always be here for mom, I promise you that, I love you, and we won't say good bye, but See you later.

Verena Olivas - May 30, 2015 at 02:14 PM

RM

“ *Delores I feel your pain. We had many good times together. My deepest sympathy for your loss.*

Rose Maestas-Maes

Rose Maestas-Maes - May 29, 2015 at 08:12 PM

SC

“ *30 files added to the tribute wall*



Sara Carrillo - May 29, 2015 at 11:50 AM

SC

“Dearest Grandpa, thank you for leading our family with such strong, loving care. Thank you for your example and for raising your family to know and love God. We all have our own wonderful memories that we will cherish. And even though there are many of us and only one of you, you always made each one of us feel special in only the way you could. Not with fancy long winded speeches but with authority, wisdom, discipline, respect and a heart of gold. We all miss you, but know we will someday be together again. Continue to watch over you mob! We love you.
Your Legacy



Sara Carrillo - May 29, 2015 at 11:33 AM

SC

This lovely sentiment was written by the eldest Grandchildren; Carlos Olivas and Anita Castillo.

Sara Carrillo - May 29, 2015 at 11:39 AM

PD

“My sweet sweet Daddy,
How we will miss you so! You were such an inspiration to all of us.
You and mom showed us how to love the Lord and each other.
Thank you for being an awesome dad. We will see you soon! Love
you forever, Patricia

Patricia Dawson - May 29, 2015 at 10:40 AM

SM

Thank You, Father, for blessing this family with such a godly man. The name "Manuel" is a variation of the name Emmanuel, meaning "God with us." Dad, thank you for being an amazing dad, a reflection of our Heavenly Father in so many ways. Thank you for loving and caring for mom and all of us so selflessly. I love you, see you soon. Your baby girl, Susie

Susie Martinez - May 29, 2015 at 10:52 AM

GG

“ *Olivas Family;
I Worked With Manny For Many Years And He Was A Wonderful
Person To Work With.
He Will Be Missed. Our Prayers Are With Family And May His Soul
Rest In Peace.
Gilbert And Lucille Gonzales*

Gilbert Gonzales - May 28, 2015 at 06:52 PM

FO

“ *1 file added to the album 50 years of marriage*



felix olivas - May 28, 2015 at 06:31 PM

FO

“ I just thank GOD for blessing this family with this man. Dad was a great provider who was so much in LOVE with mom. When dad was working every morning before he would leave for work mom and dad would have this goodbye double kiss and after work when dad go home the same, I am home double kiss.

Dad we will all miss you very much. There will be this void in our live and heart as long as we are here on earth, but GOD has promised us that who ever believes in HIM and asked JESUS to be lord of there life. We will be reunited in HIS KINGDOM.
So this is not goodbye but see you soon.

LOVE YOU DAD
Your son Felix

felix olivas - May 28, 2015 at 06:03 PM

GZ

“ On behalf of the French Family of Companies, we express our deepest condolences.

Glenn Zachry - May 26, 2015 at 12:45 PM