



Rita Aurora Gilbert

January 8, 1919 - June 6, 2015

Rita Aurora Gilbert, 96, of Albuquerque, died on Saturday, June 6, 2015. She is survived by her children, Carolyn Olona and husband Emmanuel, Martin Gilbert and wife Rosemary, and Joyce Gilbert. Rita is also survived by her grandchildren, Eugene Olona, Mark Olona, Natasha Gilbert, Santana Torrez, Lisa Chavez-Selph and Adam Chavez; great-grandchildren, AJ and Ryan Olona, Avriel and Avienda Torrez and Adrianna Trujillo; as well as many other loving family members and friends. She was preceded in death by her husband, Eloy Gilbert; and her grandson, Tim Olona Gilbert.

Rita was a faithful member of St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church as well as Beta Sigma Phi Sorority. She spent the majority of her career with the City of Albuquerque. Following her retirement, she enjoyed music, dancing, and spending time with her family.

Friends and family are invited to a Rosary on Thursday, June 11, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. at FRENCH - Lomas. Visitation will begin at 5:00 p.m. A funeral mass will be celebrated Friday, June 12, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church, 1818 Coal Place SE. Burial will be Tuesday, June 16, 2015 at 10:30 a.m. at Santa Fe National Cemetery. Pallbearers will be David Campos, Raymond Sanchez, Marty Hernandez, Raymond Anaya, John Sanchez and Mike Roybal. Honorary Pallbearers are Ronald Salazar and Steve Tapia. The family of Mrs. Gilbert would like to extend a special thanks to the staff of Brookdale Senior Living for their care and support.

Cemetery Details

Santa Fe National Cemetery

501 N. Guadalupe St.
NM 87504

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 11. 5:00 PM (MT)

FRENCH Funerals - Cremations (Lomas)
10500 Lomas Blvd NE
Albuquerque, NM 87112
(505) 275-3500
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Rosary

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Funeral Mass

JUN **12**. 10:00 AM (MT)

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church
1818 Coal SE
Albuquerque, NM 87106

Burial

JUN **16**. 10:30 AM (MT)

Santa Fe National Cemetery
Santa Fe, NM

Tribute Wall



“ *French Funerals created a Tribute Video in memory of Rita Aurora Gilbert*



FRENCH Funerals & Cremations - June 10, 2015 at 11:39 AM

KO

“ *Dear Joyce: Dale and Sara join me in sending you our love and sympathy. I remember hearing great stories about your mom from you during my wonderful massages! Dale & I live in Las Cruces now, so we missed the funeral. Please know we are praying for your comfort, peace of mind and peace of heart. Love to you and all your family. Kathy Olson*

Kathy Olson - June 13, 2015 at 12:08 PM

CO

“ *Much love and prayers are sent your way. Grandma Rita was a bright and beautiful spirit and she'll be missed in our lives. I know the our Lord and angels are saying "Hello, Hello, Hello!" Blessings, peace and comfort be with you. Gene and Claire*



Claire Olona - June 11, 2015 at 07:24 PM

CC

“ *Joyce, and family: I am so sorry for your loss. Your Mom was a special lady, a real fire-cracker. Remember her with smiles!!*

Cathy

Cathy Chavez - June 10, 2015 at 03:04 PM

MC

“ *Thanks Joyce for sharing your sweet mother with me for so many years. Loving wonderful memories I will treasure. God Bless my friend...Margie...*



Margie Chavez - June 10, 2015 at 01:55 PM

BD

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

Buck Dyck - June 09, 2015 at 03:10 PM