

**In Loving Memory of
Valentin Garcia
February 13, 1945 – January 23, 2024**

Inseparable during their sixty years of marriage, Valentin (Vale) and Evangelina (Eva) Garcia embarked on their journey to heaven within days of each other. Valentin passed away on January 23, 2024. Evangelina passed away twelve days later, on February 4, 2024.

During their lifetime together, Vale and Eva lived in Florida, Michigan and Indiana before returning to their home state of Texas. Together they raised three daughters and were loving, dedicated grandparents to their grandchildren, and great grandchildren. In matters of family, there was nothing too great or too small that could be asked of them. Together, they would find a way to overcome any challenge.

Vale was born on February 13, 1945, in Brownsville, Texas, to Antonio Solis Garcia and Concepcion Reyna. He lived a life that was dedicated to his family, especially his beloved wife of sixty years.

Vale was known for his love of cooking, and sharing meals with his family. He was also an avid reader and could often be found immersed in a western novel during his quiet time. His faith in God was the driving force in his life, and serving his church family through acts of service would be a constant throughout his lifetime. His favorite passage of scripture was Jeremiah 33:3 "Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not".

Eva was born on September 16, 1943, in Brownsville, Texas, to Felipe Saldivar, and Santiago Duenez. Tenacity, and strength, are traits that would best describe Eva.

Eva loved gardening, and quality time spent with her family. Known for her insatiable sweet tooth, the saying "Life is short, eat dessert first" was her mantra. Her generosity with time and resources impacted the lives of countless friends and family members. Eva was a force of nature; status quo was not acceptable for herself, or her family. She smashed through cultural norms to be the catalyst her daughters would need to achieve a better life. The final three years of her life were committed to the care of her husband, refusing to leave his side. Eva's favorite passage of scripture, Roman's 12:1, could clearly be seen as the template for her life, the verse reads—"I beseech you therefore, by the

mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service."

Vale, and Eva are survived by their daughters, Juanita Medina, Lisa Pepi and Candy Mansolo, and son-in-law, Andrew Mansolo. They are also survived by their grandchildren: Jessica Gamboa ,and her husband Jose Gamboa, Haley Rincon, Nicolas Valentine Pepi, Mario Medina, and Armando A. Medina and great grandchildren: Andres Gamboa, Alan Valentin Gamboa, Rosa Gamboa, Nicolas Medina, and Lucas Medina. Vale is survived by his brother, Jose Angel Garcia , and Eva is survived by her sister, Berta Noriega

Vale and Eva were preceded in death by their son-in-law, Armando J. Medina.

The family extends their heartfelt gratitude to the hospice CNA's: Nydia Ramirez, and Librado Ramirez, and nurses: Brenda Reyes, and Kristen Mckinny. Together, their thoughtful, and respectful, care provided comfort to Vale and Eva in their final season of life, and allowed them to maintain their dignity.

Vale and Eva will be greatly missed by all who were a part of their lives. Despite being unable to leave their home in their final years, they continued to serve through their prayers and encouragement.

A service to celebrate their lives will be held at Anchor Baptist Church, 5311 Crestway Rd. Windcrest, Tx 78239, on February 10, 2024 at 12:30.