



Raquel Ruth (Matta) Garcia

January 11, 1945 - August 7, 2021

There will be a visitation and brief service at 1pm to 3pm on Sunday August 15, 2021 at Davis-Green Funeral Chapel, 3900 B. F. Terry Blvd, Rosenberg, TX 77471.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held at 10am on Monday August 16, 2021 at Templo Gethsemani Assembly of God Church, 3102 Ave N, Rosenberg, TX 77471. Services are being officiated by Reverend Paul R. Matta of Abilene, TX. Assisted my Pastor Arnolando Gomez of Rosenberg, TX, Pastor Fernando Gutierrez of Baton Rouge, LA, and Pastor Samuel B. Matta of San Antonio, TX.

Raquel Ruth Matta Garcia was born on Thursday, January 11, 1945 in Big Spring, TX to Reverend Frank M. Matta and Ascension B. Matta.

From an early age Raquel loved ministry and in 1962 she attended the Latin American Bible Institute in El Paso, TX.

She married Gilbert Garcia Sr. in 1968 and they were married until his passing in February 2000.

In 1980, Raquel was a Physical Therapist Assistant. Later that year at the age of 35, she attended a program to become a Certified Occupational Assistant.

That became her livelihood for more than 36 years with the Richmond State School. She also furthered her education by attending Wharton County Junior College. Raquel was a member of Gethsemani Assembly of God Church in Rosenberg, TX.

Raquel ministered to and mentored many women of all ages; planting seeds of faith in GOD'S garden of beautiful flowers.

Throughout her life, she received many certificates of appreciation. Including trophies, plaques, and crowns for her dedication to various ministries and from the Texas Dept. of Mental Health.

Raquel lived a full life of loving, giving, ministry, and faithfulness; blessing many lives.

On Saturday August 07, 2021, surrounded by her beautiful family and friends; Raquel Ruth Matta Garcia left our presence to enter into the presence of her LORD and SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST. Though we hurt and grieve her passing, we rejoice that she is no longer suffering and that she is with loved ones gone before. She will be greatly missed by family and friends.

Raquel is preceded in death by her husband Gilbert Garcia Sr., her parents, and other family members including Joshua Matta, Michael Matta, Rev. Frank M. Matta Jr., Faustino and Guadalupe Garcia, Faustino Garcia Jr., Joel Camhi, Sarah Alaniz, Efraim Ramirez, Abby Vargues and Freddy Garcia Jr.

Those left behind to cherish and share her memories are her sons Gilbert Garcia Jr. and wife Belinda, Faustino Garcia and wife Veronica, and Frank Garcia and wife Lisa, 11 grandchildren, and 8 great grandchildren. Her siblings Samuel B. Matta and wife Esther, Finees Matta and wife Dahlia, Lidia Matta Humble, Daniel Matta, Beatrice Matta, Bob Matta and wife Cathy, Lee Roy Matta, Paul R. Matta and wife Alma, Carolyn Matta Martin, Richard Matta,

Ruben Matta, and many loved nephews, nieces, and other family and friends.

We thank the Pall Bearers for escorting Raquel to her resting place. They are David Garcia, Frank Garcia Jr, Jacob Garcia, Nick Garcia, Ruben Sanchez, and Jerry Mendoza. Honorary Pall Bearers are Ina Messiah Garcia, Carlos Ramirez, and Ayden Rodriquez.

Our family wishes to express our appreciation for all the love and care given by the team of Vantage Hospice.

Tributes and words of condolence may be left for the family at www.davisgreenlawnfh.com.

Arrangements are under the direction of Davis-Greenlawn Funeral Home, 3900 B.F. Terry Blvd., Rosenberg, Texas 77471, Phone: 281-341-8800.

Cemetery Details

Greenlawn Memorial Park

3900 B.F. Terry Blvd.
Rosenberg, TX 77471

Previous Events

Public Visitation

AUG 15. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Davis Greenlawn Funeral Chapels and Cemeteries
3900 B.F. Terry Blvd.
Rosenberg, TX 77471
(281) 341-8800

Service

AUG 16. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Templo Gethsemani Church
3102 Avenue N
Rosenberg, TX 77471

Tribute Wall



“ *Davis Greenlawn Funeral Chapel and Cemeteries created a Webcast in memory of Raquel Ruth (Matta) Garcia*



Davis Greenlawn Funeral Chapel and Cemeteries - August 14, 2021 at 09:43 AM

GH

“ *I can remember arriving in Texas for the first time, pulling into aunt Raquel's driveway. So many memories were made with her and her family that trip. My love and prayers go out to her family.*

Grace Humble - August 15, 2021 at 10:44 AM

AC

“ *Rest in peace Raquel, i will always remember you as a beautiful person and such a blessing to everyone. I thank God for having known you. So long until we meet again my friend.*

Adelpha Castillo

Adelpha Castillo - August 12, 2021 at 02:28 PM

JG

“ Please accept my deepest condolences, just know that i am here for you'll please don't hesitate to reach out especially during this difficult time.



I have so many memories as a child growing up, one memory i will share. Everyone who knew, Rachel knew her talent with needle work .. she was the best!

She surprised me with my Sweet Sixteen Doll with the same exact dress that i wore but she crocheted it it was so beautiful, i still have that doll.

My memories will forever remain deep in my heart. Rachel was a beautiful person inside and out and I'm so blessed to have had you in my life.

I Love you Rachel ..May You Rest In Peace.

Jennifer Garcia

jennifer garcia - August 12, 2021 at 12:35 PM

LH

Jennifer, Tis always with heartfelt appreciation, hearing from those who were a part of a Loved one's life. Lord bless you and yours. Thanks for sharing. Love in Jesus. LMH

Lidia Humble - March 29, 2022 at 10:06 AM

HH

“ Rest in Him my sister! You made it safely home! Prayers and condolences to this wonderful family who will feel the loss of Matta's physical presence but her spirit will be with you forever! You are her legacy.

Love and prayers,

Rev. Herman Moten,
Chaplain Vantage Hospice

Herman Moten, Vantage Hospice - August 12, 2021 at 10:26 AM

YD

“ I thank God that our church family and family had the honor to meet and work with such a special woman of God. My dad Rev David Cruz, Saw such a potential in her after her studies at LABI and the gifts God had given her. She was a true blessing to Templo Gethsemani in many areas but especially to Missions, Girl's Ministry, & Children's ministries. She spear headed many summer Vacation Bible School where many souls were won for God's Kingdom. Thank you Garcia & Matta family for sharing such an extraordinary woman for God's Kingdom. She loved the Lord and the ministry. She impacted many lives. So sorry for your loss and there will be a void at Templo Gethsemani. Blessings. She was a tiny woman but had giant shoes to fill along with her giant heart! Thank you!

Yolanda Cruz Davila - August 11, 2021 at 10:25 PM

LH

*Your words are comforting... I held your parents in high esteem, as did our parents. What a joy filled man, your father. My heart cherishes wonderful memories from my young days, visiting Templo Gethsemani. We must continue carrying the gospel torch passed on to us by our ministerial Fathers. The wells of our fathers are the foundation of our faith walk. Let not the flame be quenched... in the avenues of life, our light is required. Prayer hugs sent to you and yours. In Jesus' Love.
lidia*

Lidia Humble - March 29, 2022 at 10:20 AM