



Delfina D. Gonzalez

September 25, 1953 - July 10, 2021

Timeline: San Diego, Tx.

Delfina Diana Gonzalez passed away on July 10, 2021 of a long term illness at 67 years old. She was born in Hebronville, Tx. and loved to crochet, bake sweets, and do arts and crafts. She is preceded in death by her mother Maria B. Gonzalez and her father Clemente Gonzalez Jr.

She is survived by four siblings, Alma G. Jackson (David Jackson), Maria Gonzalez, Clemente Gonzalez III (Melva T. Gonzalez), and Marta Gonzalez. Four nephews Carl Koch (Leanna J. Koch), Christopher Koch, Adam Gonzalez, and Mark Gonzalez (Jahan Gonzalez). Two nieces Priscilla K. Hawley (The Late Chad Hawley) and Amanda Roberts. Seven grand nieces and nephews. She was loved by many and will be missed.

A graveside memorial service to be held Saturday, July 31, 2021 at 10 am in New Collins Cemetery.

Services entrusted to Roberson Funeral Home Alice.

Cemetery Details

New Collins Cemetery

Alice, TX

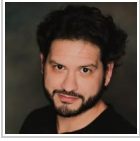
Previous Events

Graveside Service

JUL 31. 10:00 AM (CT)

Old Collins Cemetery
Alice, TX

Tribute Wall



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Mark Gonzalez - July 16, 2021 at 08:25 PM



“*Delfina D. Gonzalez was my aunt, my tía, and my Nani. That’s how I knew her: Nani. I’m not entirely sure why my family always called her Nani; perhaps it was because she was a nanny to my brother and me throughout much of our infancy. In any case, she was the only Nani I’ve ever known, which made me curious about her name’s meaning.*

Nani, I’ve learned, is of Hebrew origin and means “He (God) has favored me.” I can’t think of a better way to describe Nani’s presence in my life except to say that God has favored me for many years by Nani’s expressions of warmth, care, and love.

Nani’s warmth was apparent in the affection, hospitality, and kindness she showed me. Whenever I visited Nani, she would share delightful, homemade treats like pan de polvo and millionaire pie. She would also have a liter or two of pineapple soda on hand (one of my favorites) to serve while we watched classic horror/sci-fi films like John Carpenter’s “The Thing” and Stephen King’s “Rose Red.” I will miss Nani’s warmth, but I’m glad God favored me with it for so many years.

Similarly, Nani’s care was apparent in the time and effort she spent knitting blankets, scarves, and socks (i.e., booties) for me to use and wear during cold winter months. Rarely have I ever received such homemade gifts illustrating the heart and soul of the giver. They made me feel special; in particular, Nani remembered my favorite color, so the knitted goods she gave me always had some yellow in them—a reminder of brighter, sunnier, happier days to come. I will miss Nani’s care, but I’m glad God favored me with it for so many years.

Lastly, Nani’s love was apparent in her unwavering attempts to stay connected with me as I grew up, went to college, then law school, and finally became a busy practicing attorney. She called (or awaited my calls) on a weekly basis, eager to speak with me about life, family, work, and just about anything else that came to mind. It

was clear that she missed me, thought about me often, and wanted to make sure that everything was alright in my life. We did not speak as long or as often as we should have—that is on me. Still, I hope Nani knows that I appreciated every call and every minute of our conversations. I will miss Nani's love, but I'm glad God favored me with it for so many years.

I believe that God now favors Nani with the same warmth, care, and love that she showed me and many others in life.

Be at peace, Nani. I'm alright, and everything and everyone is doing just fine. We love you, and we miss you.

Mark

Mark Gonzalez - July 14, 2021 at 12:39 PM

CI

"Nani"... is shortened form of Dian-ita (a Hispanic term of endearment).

Nani never liked Dianita... She always preferred Nani.

God give our Nani peace 🕊️

Clemente Gonzalez III - July 16, 2021 at 05:43 PM

CI

I like your version much better though... It is so much more.

Thank you for your kind words Mark...

Love Daddo 😎: 1:

Clemente Gonzalez III - July 16, 2021 at 05:46 PM

AG

“ One of the greatest things you can do for another is to care for them. It requires utilization of time, effort, and resources which could have been used for oneself. I will always remember Delfina, or Nani, as she was known to her family, as a caretaker. Some of my earliest memories are of Nani taking care of my younger brother and me, which sometimes required her to leave the comfort of her home and other times required her to welcome us into her own home for extended periods of time. She often showed her love to those she cared for through her baking. Nani's millionaire pie and pan de polvo were always the stars of family visits. She also spent copious hours knitting hats, scarves, gloves, blankets, and slippers for her family - a testament to how she desired to provide care and comfort to her loved ones. As she aged and struggled with chronic illnesses, Nani could no longer be a caregiver, and in fact required one herself. I regret that I was not able to personally return the favor for her when she needed it most. I will always appreciate what she did for me and hope that Nani will finally be able to find peace and comfort, much like she provided her family throughout her lifetime. I love you, Nani. You are missed.



Adam Gonzalez - July 13, 2021 at 10:30 PM

CI

I am sure she treasured everything you did for her... No matter how insignificant you may have thought your gestures may have been.

Thank you for your thoughtful memories of our Nani

Love Dad 😊: 1:

Clemente Gonzalez III - July 16, 2021 at 05:56 PM

MG

“ *Diana or as we fondly called you, Nani...
Thank you for being a good sister-in-law to me, an awesome sister
to my husband, Clemente, and a great aunt to my two sons, Adam
and Mark. We will think of you every time we wear our special
crochet booties that the made with such love for us every
Christmas.
Love you forever,
Meli*

Melva Gonzalez - July 13, 2021 at 09:40 PM

CI

“ *Diana "Nani"..
...You were always there for me...from the time you baby-sat me to
the time you baby-sat my two boys. You were always genuinely
loving and caring. You will be greatly missed.
Love,
Your favorite brother
Clemente "Tito"*

Clemente Gonzalez III - July 13, 2021 at 09:28 PM