



Abselin Lucero

March 15, 2016

Abselin O. Lucero, 85, passed away peacefully at his home on March 15, 2016, surrounded, by his loving family.

Abselin was born on June 9, 1930, in Dexter, NM, to Benjamin and Ramona Lucero. He grew up and spent his entire life in New Mexico, living in Socorro, San Antonio, Espanola, and making his home in Roswell.

On June 19, 1948, he married the love of his life, Maria Franco. Together they raised four children in a loving home, and were happily married for 68 years. Throughout his entire life he was always a “Original Cowboy”, always riding his horses. He was a member of the Lincoln County Sheriff’s Posse. He also carried the mail from White Oaks to Lincoln during the Billy the Kid Days in Lincoln NM. In December of 1999, he participated in The Last Great Cattle Drive of the Millennium, where he rode his horse and herded over five hundred head of cattle from the outskirts of Roswell to Lincoln over the span of five days.

He had numerous names given to him by his grandchildren, he was Papa Bear, Pop and Tata. And he was the Ultimate educator to all of them. He could show you and teach anything you needed to know. You would always get a story along with your learning experience.

Abselin leaves behind his loving wife, Maria, of their home; his daughters: Lupe Mendoza of Roswell, Cecilia Gomez and husband, Tommy of Dexter; grandchildren: Nancy Colby and husband, Chris of Dexter, Monica Weusi and husband, Akram of San Antonio, Tx, Rebecca Ginanni and husband, Cliff of

Lubbock, TX, Toni Gomez of Dexter, NM, Desiree Mendoza and Johnny of Roswell, NM, Marcella Mendoza of Roswell, NM, Frank Jimenez III and Champagne of Colorado Springs, CO, Thomas Gomez and Julietta of Artesia, NM, Elisha Contreras of Roswell, NM, Anthony Gomez and Angela of Hagerman, NM. Also remaining to carry on his legacy are 26 great-grandchildren, 2 great-great grandchildren; his sisters Jackie Copeland of Utah, Rosie Christian of CA; brothers, Benjamin Lucero Jr of CA and Armando Lucero of Roswell, NM.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his son, Abselin Lucero Jr, daughter, Elvira Jimenez, sisters, Adela Franco, and Lucy Copeland; brothers, Anselmo Lucero, Clemente Lucero, Lorenzo Lucero.

The family would like to thank the nurses, chaplin and staff from Gentivia Hospice for all their caring and compassion during this time. And also we would like to thank Dr. Vaillant and Dr. Whitwam for caring for our father/grandfather all these years.

A rosary service will be held on Saturday, March 19, 2016 at Anderson Bethany Funeral Home & Creamatory at 3:00pm and a service to follow at 6:00pm.

Obituary lovingly written by Abselin's family.

Please take a moment to show your love and support for the Lucero family in memory of Abselin with her family in the online register at andersonbethany.com.

Services are under the direction of Anderson Bethany Funeral Home and Crematory.

A Cowboy's Payer

Lord, you may have observed me out here on the lonely plains,
A-Lookin'after cattle, feelin' thankful when it rains,
Admirin Thy great handiwork, the miracle of the grass,
Aware of Thy kind spirit in the way it comes to pass
That rugged men on horseback and the livestock that we tend

Can look up at the stars at night and know we've got a friend.
A cowboy ain't no preacher, Lord, but if you'll hear my prayer,
I'll ask as good as we have got for all men everywhere.
Don't let no hearts be bitter, Lord; don't let no child be cold;
Make easy beds for them that's sick and them that's weak'n'old.
Let kindness bless the trail we ride, no matter what we're after,
And sorta keeps us on your side, in the tears as well as laughter.
I'm just a sinful cowpoke, Lord... ain't got much business prayin',
But still I hope you'll ketch a word or two of what I'm sayin'.
So one more thing I'll ask you, Lord, just help us what you can
To save some seeds of freedom for the future sons of man!

Author Unknown

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 19. 3:00 PM (MT)

Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home and Crematory
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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Abselin Lucero*

December 29, 2022 at 05:26 PM



“ *I remember when me and Ab went to get our first BLM Wild Horses. Than we went a second time. He was a real good man and role model, better than my real Dad was. I'm truly going to miss him. Rest in Peace My Good Friend.*

Steve A. Silva

Steve A. Silva - March 19, 2016 at 10:00 AM



“ *Margie Solis lit a candle in memory of Abselin Lucero*



Margie Solis - March 18, 2016 at 09:14 PM



“ *Wilma Mendoza lit a candle in memory of Abselin Lucero*



Wilma Mendoza - March 18, 2016 at 01:11 PM

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“ *It was always a fun place to be when we we're kids. Uncle Abe and Aunt Mary always seemed to accommodate whoever came by their house; it didn't matter how many of us did so at the same time. From playing in the yard to riding the horse; there will always be fond memories.....hasta luego tio.*

Tammy (Franco) Clark

Tammy (Franco) (Barnes) Clark - March 17, 2016 at 05:50 PM

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With deepest condolences. My dad, Ernesto Chavez, has many fond memories of their friendship. They were friends for many years. SRA. Maria, con mucho amor y cariño. Gid bless you all. Ernesto, Evelyn, y Marie Chavez

Marie Chavez - March 18, 2016 at 09:05 AM

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Ms. Lucero and family, Please know that you and the family are in our thoughts and prayers.We are so sorry about your husband's passing. We are sending healing energy from our hearts to your...Mr. Lucero will truly be miss..... the Lucero family were the best neighbors. The children of Mary Solis Inez, Margie, Bertha, Vera and Jimmy and families

Margie Solis - March 18, 2016 at 09:13 PM