



Amelia Barela

January 1, 1943 - August 16, 2018

Amelia Barela was born in Hagerman, NM, on Jan 1, 1943. She is preceded in death by her mother, Lutisia Gonzales Barela; father, Tomas Gomez Barela; brothers: Ernesto (Ernie) Barela and Roberto (Bobby) Barela. Living family consists of Tom Barela Jr. of Hagerman, NM, Godfrey Barela of Lovington, NM, Nora Gamboa of Las Cruces, NM, Linel Barela of Arizona, Henry Barela of Roswell, NM; and many aunts, uncles, nephews, nieces and cousins.

Amelia was an ordained minister, earning her minister credentials from the Assemblies' of God in Springfield, MO. She ministered at various churches, missions and Bible School's through-out the United States. During Amelia's life, she was a Bible College Instructor at Southern Arizona Bible College for several years, a missionary in Spain for a period of nine years. While in Spain, she was a Bible College instructor at the Bible School in La Cordoba Spain. Amelia graduated in 1963 from Hagerman High School. She graduated from The Latin American Bible Institute in 1970. Amelia earned her Associate in Arts Degree from Southwestern Assemblies in 1974.

She received a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Southwestern Assemblies in 1981, and a Master of Arts Degree from Assemblies of God Theological Seminary, Springfield, MO., in 1986. Amelia was ordained in 1987 as an Assembly of God Minister and kept her credentials throughout her life.

While in La Cordoba, Spain, Amelia attended a Baptist church and was a blessing to the church. She made a bridge between her, the congregation and the pastor and brought changes to the church by God's will. Amelia was loved

by her Directors, co-workers and many of the students. Her love for Spain never left her. Amelia's only regret was that she had not applied to receive her Missionary appointment much earlier in her lifespan. She would have loved being a missionary anywhere in the world, although her love for Spain and Mexico never faltered.

Her love of God took her many directions and she was willing to serve in any capacity she was called to.

God took her home to a glorious place in heaven, on Thursday, August 16, 2018, where her life is now complete.

Funeral Services will be held at Anderson Bethany Funeral Home on Saturday, August 25, 2018, at 10:00 AM. Interment will follow at Hagerman Cemetery. Celebrate Amelia's life by visiting www.andersonbethany.com to offer a memory or expression of sympathy for her family.

Amelia's tribute was lovingly written in her honor by her family.

Previous Events

Service

AUG 25. 10:00 AM (MT)

Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home and Crematory
2609 South Main
Roswell, NM 88203
(575) 622-5888
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Tribute Wall



“ *Amelia Barela*

December 29, 2022 at 05:26 PM



“ *Sister Amelia, you finished the course, and now the reward:) You are in a blessed place that awaits us. We rejoice with and for you! Until we meet again, we carry in our hearts the memories of your kind, gentle, and caring spirit.*

Rev. Robert & Olaya Rascon

Rev. Robert & Olaya Rascon - August 26, 2018 at 11:46 PM



“ *Tom and Godfry, I remember you well. I am so sorry for your loss. Nothing anybody can say or do makes it better, except that WE CARE*
Bennie Dennis

Bennie Dennis - August 24, 2018 at 08:53 PM

DF

“ We fondly remember the days when we were on the staff of Southern Arizona Bible College along with Amelia, Margie, Helen and our then one year-old daughter Tara. Every Sunday night after the Sunday night church service on campus we would get together to relax and put together a sumptuous feast of snacks. We had some fun times. Those were the days. We thank God for Amelia's life and the intersecting of ours with hers. Two years ago Esther and Frances Ulibarri traveled to Las Cruces to visit Amelia when it was joy to hear her vividly recall past experiences. She was truly a soldier of The Cross and did all she could to be all she could be for the Lord. We rejoice she has crossed Jordan's stormy banks and awaits her reward.

*Our condolences to all the family and friends,
Dan and Esther Figueroa*

Dan and Esther Figueroa - August 24, 2018 at 07:08 PM

BF

“ It will be fun seeing Amelia again in the resurrection and have her tell us all about it. I'm so sorry that she suffered so much toward the end. I'm praying that all my cousins will find comfort and peace after losing her. God bless!

*Agape
Bergie*

Bergie Fenn - August 22, 2018 at 11:47 AM

FU

“ We met Amelia at LABI and later she spent a summer in Las Cruces.
She was a beautiful caring person. We are blessed to have known her.
Our deepest condolences for your loss.
Roger and Frances Ulibarri

Frances Ulibarri - August 22, 2018 at 10:32 AM

VS

“ Vera P. Sanchez purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Amelia Barela.



Vera P. Sanchez - August 22, 2018 at 09:58 AM

ML

“ I knew Amelia from attending LABI. She was always very kind and patient. Loved her smile, which is what I see when I remember her. To her family I'd like to extend my sincerest condolences. Peace, grace and much love, Tomie Leon-Tener

Maria Tomie Leon-Tener - August 22, 2018 at 09:01 AM

BS

“ Tom, Mary, your family and all the Barela family, we are so sorry to read of the loss of your beautiful sister and a Sister in Christ. From the write up, she will have many, many stars in her crown, or should I say, she already has them since the Heavenly Father, has welcomed her home and said "Well done thy good and faithful servant". You may enter the gates of Heaven. Love to all Bennie & Bill Shaw

Bennie Shaw - August 21, 2018 at 11:37 PM

DH

“ To all of the Barela Family - My Love and Prayers are with each of you! Debby Huckabee

Deborah Huckabee - August 21, 2018 at 10:31 PM

JG

“ I went to school with Amelia and can not think of a nicer person
My condolences to the family.

Jane Elliott Gates - August 20, 2018 at 11:52 PM

TM

“ The Central District Officers and Ministers
purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of
Amelia Barela.



The Central District Officers and Ministers - August 20, 2018
at 01:05 PM

MS

“ I graduated with Amelia on May 22, 1962. We were great friends. A
friend is a treasure, and that's what she meant to me. My deepest
condolences to the family. You are now in your Heavenly Home.
RIP.

MARY JARAMILLO SOSA

Mary J. Sosa - August 19, 2018 at 07:27 PM