



Elizabeth "Sugar" M. Ramirez

November 20, 1945 - January 3, 2026

With heavy hearts, and grounded in Christian faith, we announce that Elizabeth "Sugar" Ramirez, a beloved wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, aunt, and friend, passed away on Saturday, January 3, 2026, in Roswell, New Mexico, surrounded by love. She was known for her gentle spirit, kind heart, and the way she brought comfort to everyone around her. Her warmth, compassion, and quiet strength left a lasting impression on all who were blessed to know her. Please take a moment to share a kind thought or memory with "Sugar's" family at www.andersonbethany.com. Elizabeth was born in Roswell, New Mexico, on November 20, 1945, to Abundio "Eddie" Barreras and Emma Herrera. She later found lasting love with Waltamad "Walt" Ramirez, Jr., and the two were united in holy matrimony on April 26, 2002.

She was preceded in death by her spouses, Manuel A. Sanchez II and Rosendo Pichardo, Sr. She was also preceded in death by her children, Mary Helen Sanchez, Pauline Kirby, and Ralph Pichardo. She was further preceded in death by her parents, Abundio "Eddie" Barreras, Elena Montaña, Emma Herrera Griego, and Fito Griego; and her sisters-in-law, Selma R. Villalobos and Cecilia Lucero.

She is survived by her loving husband, Waltamad "Walt" Ramirez, Jr.; her children, Manuel Sanchez III (Michelle), Melanie Andrade, Rosendo Pichardo, Jr., and Jesse D. Ramirez (Trish). She is also survived by 26 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren, all of whom were a tremendous source of pride

and joy in her life.

She is further survived by her siblings, including Frito Griego, Irene Griego Eoff (Sam), and Edward Debeers; her nieces, Beatrice Romero and Lydia Gomez; her close friend, Delia Stogden; sisters-in-law, Dolores Dominguez, Irene Dominguez, and Belinda Ramirez; and brother-in-law, Nick Ramirez.

A woman of strong faith, Elizabeth was a devoted member of Church on the Move and found comfort in studying her Bible and listening to Christian music. In her later years of life, she found a deep love for God, which became a source of peace, strength, and guidance in her life. She enjoyed talking on the phone with family and friends, trying new recipes, playing bingo, dancing, listening to music, expressing herself through ceramic art and sculpting, and going to the casinos.

She was lovingly accompanied by her two Chihuahuas, Ira and Gucci, who never left her side.

Honorary pallbearers will be Rosendo Pichardo, Jr. and Jesse D. Ramirez, with her grandsons Salvador Flores III (Jr.), Rico Lopez, Manuel A. Sanchez IV, Angel R. Sanchez, Jeremiah I. Sanchez, and Justin Kirby serving as pallbearers.

A Viewing will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Friday, January 16, at Anderson Bethany Funeral Home and Crematory, located at 2609 South Main Street, Roswell, New Mexico, with a Funeral service to begin at 1:00 p.m.

The family would like to extend special thanks to Pastor Lawrence Sanchez, the pastors of Church on the Move, and the Seventh-day Adventist Church for their prayers and support. Special thanks are also extended to her nephew, Ignacio Villalobos, her granddaughter, Collette Lopez, her grandson, Manuel A. Sanchez, and Shawna Burgower for their love, care, and support.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Chaves County Cancer Fund.

Elizabeth "Sugar" Ramirez will be remembered for her faith, her love for family, and the gentle kindness she shared so freely with the world.

I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God has chosen for me.
I took His hand when I heard Him call;
I turned my back and left it all.
I could not stay another day,
To laugh, to love, to work or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way;
I've now found peace at the end of day.
If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joys.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss;
Oh yes, these things, I too will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
Look for the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savored much;
Good friends, good times, a loved ones touch.
Perhaps my time seems all to brief;
Don't lengthen your pain with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and peace to thee,
God wanted me now-He set me free.

Previous Events

Viewing

JAN 16. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (MT)

Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home and Crematory
2609 South Main
Roswell, NM 88203
(575) 622-5888
abfh@andersonbethany.com

Funeral Service

JAN 16. 1:00 PM (MT)

Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home and Crematory
2609 South Main
Roswell, NM 88203
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Interment to follow at McBride Cemetery.

Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album Memorial Video



Anderson - Bethany Funeral Home and Crematory - April 07 at 01:19 PM



“ Raina Granados lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Sugar" Ramirez



Raina Granados - January 22 at 12:37 AM

RR

“ May you Rest in Peace sugar you always we're a good woman always laughing glad I got to meet you now go rest .

Rebecca Robinson - January 17 at 06:59 AM

TG

“ Met you so many years ago and no matter where I saw you you were so friendly with a big smile. Such a beautiful soul you will truly be missed



Terye Guerrero - January 16 at 09:56 PM

ST

“ R.I.P sugar ❤️ you will be missed. You left a lot of memories.. Until we meet again 🙏❤️💜



Sophia M Tidwell - January 16 at 08:01 PM

DR

“ God Bless You Walt ! I will be praying for you and your family . The Lord is merciful and may the Holy Spirit comfort and guide you in this time of sorrow and grief ! Call me if you need me for anything . Sincerely , Don Roe



Don Roe - January 16 at 06:40 PM



“ Tracy Ortega-Harbuck lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Sugar" Ramirez



Tracy Ortega-Harbuck - January 16 at 02:34 PM

VM

“ Valerie Miranda lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Sugar" Ramirez



Valerie Miranda - January 16 at 11:36 AM

HS

“ Sending heartfelt condolences to Walt and to the family! Sugar had a beautiful, loving soul! Her joy must be overflowing now with Jesus!! May the Lord bring comfort to all who loved Sugar! Love and prayers!

Helen Sedillo - January 16 at 10:12 AM

CD

“ Corinne Duran lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Sugar" Ramirez



Corinne Duran - January 15 at 08:25 PM

WF

“ With love from Johnny Lucero and familia purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Elizabeth "Sugar" M. Ramirez.



With love from Johnny Lucero and familia - January 15 at 03:52 PM

IR

“ Sugar my sister we had our share of ups and downs through the years. We had our share of fights, laughter and many wonderful memories. And through it all we were sisters and we loved each other. I will miss you sis 💔



Irene - January 15 at 01:38 PM

YM

I'll always remember all the times we shared surgar

yvonne montoya - January 18 at 09:25 PM

LM

“ Love Laurie & Matè purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Elizabeth "Sugar" M. Ramirez.



Love Laurie & Matè - January 14 at 09:38 PM

LM

“ Love Laurie & Matè planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Elizabeth "Sugar" M. Ramirez.

Love Laurie & Matè - January 14 at 09:38 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Elizabeth "Sugar" M. Ramirez.



January 14 at 03:57 PM



“ I just saw this announcement & felt my heart break for the loss of you Sugar 😭 I was a lil girl when I first knew of you & saw you the first time, to me you were so so beautiful, you were my mom's friend , as I grew up to me you never changed, you were always so beautiful & I'll always remember you just like that. I'll cherish the time I knew you, Rest easy Sugar 😭 love you ❤️❤️

Helen Rodriguez - January 13 at 09:42 PM



“ Ericka Brady lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Sugar" Ramirez



Ericka Brady - January 13 at 08:56 PM



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Ericka Brady - January 13 at 04:24 PM

LD

“ Lovingly ,The Byles Family, Jack, Delia, purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Elizabeth "Sugar" M. Ramirez.



Lovingly ,The Byles Family, Jack, Delia, - January 12 at 08:07 PM

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Lovingly ,The Byles Family, Jack, Delia, - January 12 at 08:07 PM

DB

“ We met Liz, "Sugar" on November 2025, while visiting NM. She is our cousin, Walt's wife. It was such a pleasure to meet, she radiated with friendliness, charm and beauty. She made us feel very welcomed.
Rest in Peace beautiful Liz.
So, glad we were finally able to meet and know. you.
Love your cousins from Texas,
Delia, Jack Byles

Delia S. Byles - January 12 at 07:58 PM

DE

“ I was so sad to hear of Sugars passing She was a good friend full of life.and so much fun. She was in my wedding 25 years ago We had some good times together I will forever miss her beautiful face Always looking her best is how I remember her so pretty



Denise Espinoza - January 12 at 02:37 PM

GC

“ I remember “Sugar” very fondly. I pray God and His loving son comfort and bless all her family at this time. I did not know her husband or children. I especially love her sister Irene and Sam. Christian love,
Gloria Chavez

Gloria Chavez - January 12 at 11:57 AM

FG

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Frito Griego - January 12 at 03:57 AM

AL

“ Angela Lucero-Horton lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Sugar" Ramirez



Angela Lucero-Horton - January 11 at 03:02 AM

LF

“ God grant this family strength and peace during this difficult time. R.I.P. Dear friend



Laura & Yvonne Montoya & family - January 10 at 10:01 PM

RG

“ Roy and Sylvia Gonzales lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Sugar" Ramirez



Roy and Sylvia Gonzales - January 10 at 01:43 AM

MC

“ Mary Crist lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Sugar" Ramirez



Mary Crist - January 09 at 03:12 PM

IS

On Christmas Eve we went together to the casino she wore a brown sweater that made her look so pretty I will remember that day always, R.I.P. we love you!!

Irene E Dominguez, sister-in-law - January 09 at 05:59 PM

DC

“ I just seen you at the dollar tree store, you were looking around for things for the cemetery ❤️ We exchanged hugs, you remembered me Pauline Friend from High School 😭 May You Rest In Peace 🕊️❤️



Delia Casillas - January 09 at 02:30 PM

DE

“ My heart goes out to Walter and Sugar family ❤️ I am so sorrySo hard to believe.... I talked to my friend that evening and the next day her daughter came and told me about the bad news. Still can't believe it. She was my friend my sister. We talked , we laugh, or we would cry togethe.... It is going to be hard on me. Sugar had a heart of Gold. Sugar I Love you and you well always be in my ❤️ heart ❤️😊 Rip with your Son and daughters...and the rest off your family . Until we meet again In heaven❤️😊❤️😊 I Love you Sister . Your sis Delia



Delia - January 08 at 09:17 PM

PM

Sorry loss she was such nice lady my neighbor came over talk me my son died in August going miss her

Patty Mcmath - January 09 at 02:04 PM

BR

Tia, Comadre, and my friend - I will miss your sweet ways, your laugh and beautiful smile for the rest of my life - so kind so real . My condolences to the family Rest In Peace Sugar --I love you

Beatrice Romero - January 13 at 07:05 PM

GL

“ My condolences 🌹 such a very nice person ,
Rest easy ❤️



Grace Lozano - January 08 at 05:55 PM

DS

“ Delia Salcido lit a candle in memory of
Elizabeth "Sugar" Ramirez



Delia Salcido - January 08 at 05:47 PM

DS

“ David, Priscilla Sutherland lit a candle in
memory of Elizabeth "Sugar" Ramirez



David, Priscilla Sutherland - January 08 at 05:38 PM

CC

“ I'm gonna miss meeting up with you at the
stores and those beautiful eyes and friendly
smile. RIP my friend 🙏❤️



Cecilia Chavez - January 08 at 01:07 PM

AS

“ Andy Sedillo lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Sugar" Ramirez



Andy Sedillo - January 08 at 12:14 PM

RP

“ Rachel Serna Peralta lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Sugar" Ramirez



Rachel Serna Peralta - January 07 at 06:15 PM

MS

“ MANNY&MICHELLE SANCHEZ lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Sugar" Ramirez



MANNY&MICHELLE SANCHEZ - January 07 at 02:36 PM