



Francisco Banda

December 6, 1932 - December 3, 2016

Francisco Banda, 83, passed away Saturday, December 3, 2016, lovingly surrounded by his family, at home, in Carlsbad, NM. He was born in San Pedro De Nazas, Durango, Mexico, December 6, 1932 to Vicenta Nevarez Banda. Francisco was raised in Ascension, Chihuahua, Mexico. Francisco was 1 of 12 children, having five brothers and six sisters.

At the age of 18, Francisco served one year in the Mexican Military in Juarez, Mexico. In 1954, he came to the United States as a “Bracero” to work at Twetty Farm in Roswell, NM. He worked at the farm for 13 years, where he met the love of his life, Virginia Acosta Martinez. They were married in 1960 and had 7 children together. Francisco then began to work at Fletcher Farm for the next 20 years, Latimer Farm for 5 years, and with Jack & Mark Shaw for 10 years, all in Dexter, NM. Those years did not stop Francisco. At the age of 73, he did a little work in the oil field in the Carlsbad area. Francisco was a very hard working man for all his life.

Francisco enjoyed bingo, the casino and going to his children’s and grandchildren’s sports events. He was always joking around with his family and giving all his grandchildren nicknames. He was one of the best sons, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, uncle, brother and great friend for all that knew him. He will be dearly missed.

Preceding Francisco in death were his wife, Virginia Banda; mother, Vicenta Nevarez Banda; daughter, Patsy Aguilera; two brothers: Ventura Banda and Martin Nevarez; granddaughter, Delfina Chairez; and sisters: Guadalupe Nevarez and Riena Nevarez.

Those left to cherish the memory of Francisco are: son, Ernesto Gutierrez; daughter, Yolanda Rodriguez and husband, Miguel; daughter, Irma Rodriguez and husband, Danny C.; son, Frank Banda and wife, Stacy; son, Juan Banda and wife, Sonia; and son, Joe Banda and wife, Melissa; brothers: Alberto Neveraz and Jose Nevarez; sisters: Socorro Marquez, Maria Reyes and Consuelo Macias; and best friend, Martin Arguijo. Additional survivors include Francisco's 18 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Chosen to be Honorary Pallbearers are Ernesto Gurierrez and Martin Aruijo. Pallbearers are Frank Banda, Juan Banda, Joe Banda, Willie Aragon, Jimmy Aragon and Jose Alberto Nevarez.

Visitation will be Thursday, December 8, 2016, 12:00 PM to 5:30 PM. A Rosary will be recited immediately following visitation in the Anderson Bethany Funeral Home Chapel. Funeral services will be Friday, December 9, 2016, 10:00 AM at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Dexter, NM. Burial will follow at South Park Cemetery in Roswell, NM.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 8. 12:00 PM - 5:30 PM (MT)

Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home and Crematory
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Roswell, NM 88203
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Tribute Wall



“ *Francisco Banda*

December 29, 2022 at 05:26 PM



“ *Yolanda and family. So sorry to here of your loss. I didn't find out until yesterday. My thoughts and prayers with you and your family.*

Minerva Martinez Ragin

Minerva Martinez Ragin - December 12, 2016 at 10:32 AM



“ *Thinking of you all. Hugs and prayers to you all.*

Elena

Elena - December 10, 2016 at 12:38 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Francisco Banda.*



December 08, 2016 at 10:46 AM

BR

“ Teresa,

Sending love and support from Lubbock, Texas. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.

Brenda

Brenda Radloff - December 08, 2016 at 08:17 AM



JA

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. May God give you all comfort in this time of sorrow.

Janie

Janie - December 07, 2016 at 10:29 PM



GR

“ G. Riley lit a candle in memory of Francisco Banda

G. Riley - December 07, 2016 at 09:54 PM

