



## Graciela "Chelita" Olivarría

July 4, 1972 - December 12, 2019

GRACIELA "CHELITA" OLIVARRÍA, 47, passed away on Thursday, December 12, 2019, at home in the arms of her sister, Claudia and surrounded by her loved ones in Roswell, New Mexico. She was born on July 4, 1972, to Ruben and Rosa Cervantes Olivarría in Ciudad Juárez, Chihuahua, Mexico. Please take a moment and share a kind thought or memory with Chelita's family at [www.andersonbethany.com](http://www.andersonbethany.com).

SERVICES: A Funeral Service for Chelita will be held at Anderson Bethany Funeral Home on Tuesday, December 17, 2019, at 10:00 AM. Interment will follow at South Park Cemetery.

"My precious Sister, my "Baby." How is it that I never saw your wings when you were here with me? When you closed your eyes and soared to the Heaven's, I could hear the faint flutter of your wings as you left. Your body is no longer on this side, but your spirit is here eternally and I see your halo shine. I close my eyes and see your wings surround me in my saddest moments and happiest times.

Sister, my Angel...God has given you your assignment. Always my sister, and forever my Angel. You fly into my dreams when I am asleep. I feel your wings brush my face, wiping away the tears I shed since I can no longer hold you in my arms. But in my heart, you didn't have to earn those wings, you always

had them and you will always be my Angel.

Chelita, I love you so much! I will miss our sleepless nights. To hear you yell, to walk into your room and see your big precious eyes, to dress you and sing to you good morning and good night! To talk to you about Mami and Papi and tell you all my secrets and my dreams, as you would tell me yours with your eyes. I will miss kissing the palm of your hand, watching your smile, rubbing your feet, lying next to you, kissing your forehead, and holding you tight. Sister, it was a great HONOR being chosen to care for you. You taught me how to love unconditionally because we were able to share our lives with an Angel who had a pure heart, never jealous, angry, selfish, or ungrateful.

Yes, lots of tears and worries, but you made me the woman I am today. I love you MORE THAN I Love myself! Because of you, I can see just how special life is and that miracles do exist. You are my best adventure. The Angels all rejoiced as you entered the Promised Land, beyond the Gates of Pearl touched the Wall of Jasper, dipped your feet in the Crystal Sea. The beauty is beyond words as you touch the Savior's hand. Some day I will meet you there. Chelita, thank you for being my sister, my baby. We will always love and forever miss you dearly. Your sisters: Rosa, Claudia, and Jessica."

**SURVIVORS:** Those left to cherish memories of Graciela are her siblings: Rosa M. Olivarria; Jessica Overstreet and husband Brian C., Claudia Olivarria and life partner, Luis R. Barela; aunts: Tia Chela, Tia Aurelia, Tia Lecha; and Tio Fi; nieces and nephews: Oceana Olivarria, Joshua Olivarria, Magdalyn Barela, Briana Hobby, Ruby Hobby, Ruben Hobby, DaSean Lacey, Isaiah Lacey, Michael Jr. Cardona, Elijah Cardona, Julianna Cardona, Simon Harless, Jazlyn Chavez, Katerine Overstreet; great-nieces and nephews: Antonio Martinez, Achillies Martinez, Akaiden Martinez, Aliana Vasquez, Meilani Young, Sonnyray Horton, and a baby on the way, Joshua Jr. Olivarria; and loving pet, Frankie, who loved sitting by her bed, keeping guard.

PRECEDED: Graciela is preceded in death by her father, Ruben Olivarria; mother, Rosa Cervantes Olivarria; brother, and Manuel Olivarria; and grandmother “Mi Abuelita, “ Josephina.

HONORARY PALLBEARER: Blessed to serve are Honorary Pallbearer are Dr. Richard Piñon, Luis Barela, Antonio Martinez.

PALLBEARERS: Honored to serve as Pallbearers are Joshua Olivarria, Ruben Hobby, Da Sean Lacey, Isaiah Lacey, Michael Jr. Cardona, Elijah Cardona, Simon Harless, Achillies Martinez, Akaiden Martinez, Richard Young, Philip Vasquez, and Brian Overstreet.

The Olivarria family would like to give a special “Thank You” to Dr. Randall McGuire and Dr. Donald Wenner, along with all the staff. Another very special “Thank You” to Dr. Piñon and his beautiful staff for so many years of giving Chelita love, care, and for always treating her with dignity and respect, sharing good and bad times together.

This tribute was beautifully written in Chelita’s honor by her sister, Claudia.

IF YOU COULD SEE ME NOW

“If you could see me now, you wouldn't shed a tear.

Though you may not understand why I'm no longer here.

Remember my spirit, that's the real me.

I'm still very much alive, oh, if you could only see!

I've beheld our Father's face. I've touched my Savior's hand.

The angels all rejoiced as I entered the Promised Land.

Beyond the gates of pearl, I walk on golden streets.

I've touched the walls of jasper, dipped my foot in the crystal sea.

The beauty is beyond words, nothing can compare.  
I've even seen your mansion; someday I will meet you there.  
Allow Jesus to be your guide, His word will show you the way.  
So, please, don't cry! We will meet again someday!"  
-Patsy Stambaugh Deskins

# Cemetery Details

## South Park Cemetery

3101 South Main St  
Roswell, NM 88203

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

DEC 17. 10:00 AM (MT)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ Graciela "Chelita" Olivarria

December 29, 2022 at 05:26 PM



“ Hey baby, how's heaven? We miss you dearly Chelaboo. I love you, I see the signs you give when you're near. Your love lives on inside of me an I will hold on tight. XOXOXOXO 💜  
I wish heaven had a phone so I could call. Keep shinning down on me angel baby 🥺🙏💜

Magdalyn - January 21, 2020 at 05:12 PM



“ Claudia and Rosa, well, what words can I say? You will never know how very proud all of us are are both of you for taking care of your loving sister all these years. None of us can imagine the toll it took on your lives but I know that it was done with love, faithfulness, and dedication. We will continue to think of you all. No doubt she is now in heaven, walking and leaping and praising the Lord.

Robert and Kay Holcomb - December 23, 2019 at 11:01 PM



“ Claudia, I'm so very sorry for for your loss! I know how much you love your sister, she gave you something special, love beyond measure, you gave her unconditional love, security and a safe place to dwell on this earth. God gave you his angel to take care of and you took the job and did it with grace and protection, may God give you peace and comfort at this time of sorrow and unrest. Peace...  
from Ramona Matta.

Ramona Matta - December 19, 2019 at 08:13 PM

JS

“ I want to tell you that I am praying for you. I am glad I was able to attend the sweet service. I did not get to speak to all the family. It has been a long while since I have spoken to many of you. I had not seen Chelita in several years. I know your parents (& grand parents ) would have loved your sweet spirit and faithfulness to taking care of her for these many years. May God comfort you & encourage you in the coming weeks.

*Jerry (Seale) Stone*

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**Jerry (Seale) Stone** - December 19, 2019 at 02:53 PM

LG

“ Sending love and hope for peaceful comfort to Claudia and the Olivarria family as your beautiful angel spreads her golden wings.

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**Lisa Gonzales** - December 16, 2019 at 12:50 PM

RP

“ My condolences to the family my she RIP



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**Rachel Peralta** - December 15, 2019 at 08:21 AM

MA

“ All the years I've spent by your side caring for you, loving you will forever remain . I love you chela so much, you've taught me so many things in this life. I love you my angel baby. You're free flying high, shining down on me. Forever in my heart, you will be. Rest in peace my beautiful babygirl. 🕯️💜



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**Magdalyn** - December 14, 2019 at 06:20 PM