



## Mr. Ernestino Ortega

November 11, 1925 - October 31, 2014

Mr. Ernestino Ortega, 88, passed away on October 31, 2014 in Winter Springs, FL. Mr. Ortega was born on November 11, 1925 in McAllen, TX to Ysidro and Josefina Ortega.

A memorial service will be held at DeGusipe Funeral Home in Maitland on Friday, November 7, 2014 at 11:00 AM.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that you make a donation to your favorite charity.

## Previous Events

### **Celebration of Life August 5th, 2017 1200 Noon at DeGusipe Funeral Home and Crematory**

NOV 7. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

“ My Tio died on Halloween night around 6pm according to his caretaker who called me.

*A tribute to my (our uncle) would not be easy because he was so many things for so many persons that words could not describe.*

*He shared his meals with total strangers.*

*He was strong in his faith and believed in God with all his heart.*

*He loved telling jokes about whites. Blacks. Mexicans, priest, Jews and it didn't matter who was present they ALL laughed.*

*He loved to dance and buy things that sparkled for his wife.*

*Every paycheck he would buy his wife a small piece of jewelry and go show this to my mom before going home and giving it to my aunt.*

*My uncle was rich I so many ways.*

*He liked playing his guitar and singing with his brothers. Most of them play an instrument with grandpa when they were traveling around the valley at a very young age.*

*He liked going hunting and had a few rifles.*

*He looked so handsome in his tuxedo. The women would turn and look at him when he would enter a room. I think my aunt was very jealous of him.*

*His eyes had stars in them and they glisten.*

*He had a big smile on his face esp. When he spoke about his son, Danny.*

*He has the most beautiful dimples.*

*He would play Santa for the poor neighborhood kids when we were all very young.*

*He would hand out a brown paper sack with an apple. Oranges, nuts and a few candies in it.*

*He loved to dance, drink and be merry.*

*His nose would turn red when he drank - he looked funny.*

*He and his wife my aunt always had some drag out fights. The fights were ugly. I hated that! My aunt would come over with a busted lip or bruised eye and he would come with a red eye and scratches on his face. Neither was perfect but they were perfect for*

*each other.*

*He listed to my secrets and took them to his grave.*

*He was as active member of the GI Forum as active as he could be before moving to Florida.*

*He hated living in Florida and would run away trying to return to Texas.*

*He was a cowboy from head to toe. He liked his hats, boots and guns.*

*He loved Texas and wanted more than anything in this world to return to Texas.*

*He was a WWII veteran who served proudly.*

*He lived he really lived!*

*Most people dye in their thirties and wait all their lives to be buried - not him.*

*He slowly began his spiral death in solitary confinement when he was taken to Florida. I know not everyone is going to like what I am writing but that's the truth seen by this Texas girl who loved very much.*

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**paula** - December 02, 2014 at 10:13 AM

BR

*Is there anyway you can write me. Trying to reach my grandpa Danny Ortega [brit806tany@gmail.com](mailto:brit806tany@gmail.com)*

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**brittay** - May 31, 2016 at 07:21 PM

RR

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Ricardo Rivera - November 07, 2014 at 08:57 AM

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Ricardo Rivera - November 06, 2014 at 10:12 PM

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ricardo ortega rivera - November 06, 2014 at 10:02 PM

LR

“ *Linda & (Ricardo) Ric Rivera lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ernestino Ortega*



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**Linda & (Ricardo) Ric Rivera** - November 06, 2014 at 09:53 PM

RR

“ *My condolencecs,, Tia and cousins we love you  
John 14: 1,2 & 3 says*

*let not your heart be troubled you believe in God believe also in Me  
in my father's house are many mansions if it were not so i would  
have told you i go to prepare a place for you and if i go and prepare  
a place for you i will come again and receive you to Myself that  
where I am there you may be also.*

*Tia, Jesus came for Tio and he is there with Him in a mansion some  
day we will see Tio again.*

*i myself will wait til i see Tio again. lots of love Ric & Linda*

*Jesus says I am the way, the truth, and the life no man comes to the  
Father but by ME*

*The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen*

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**Ricardo Rivera** - November 06, 2014 at 09:27 PM

RN

“ On behalf of Victoria Rivera  
And niece Ramona Trevino  
Just want you yo know our thoughts and prayers are with you :)))  
Thank you Tio for all the great memories. Thank you for sharing  
your time and commitment to family and great times at parks , lakes  
, travel , taking us to see the cross in groom ,tx  
Teaching us to dance , praying with us  
Leading us to be great people with standards to live and be a part of  
community my gratitude to all you did for us .. we will miss you here  
but will talk and share all the wonderful times we had with you until  
we meet again love your niece Mona Trevino

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ramona trevino niece - November 06, 2014 at 08:46 PM

RN

“ I'd like to add that he has a sister named  
Luz Mata who lives in Wisconsin  
Victoria Rivera lives in Amarillo Texas  
Bernadina Gonzalez lives in Amarillo Texas  
And one brother  
Jesus Ortega lives in McAllen Texas

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ramona trevino niece - November 06, 2014 at 08:30 PM

PA

“ Paula lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ernestino  
Ortega



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Paula - November 06, 2014 at 08:25 PM

AT

“ *Amalia Trevino lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ernestino Ortega*



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**Amalia Trevino** - November 06, 2014 at 08:11 PM

RN

“ I just want to share on behalf of his sister Victoria Rivera that he will be missed and loved and kept in our minds hearts and our souls thank you brother for all the memories the love ,vacations ,the times at the Thompson park bar b q's , sharing Christmas together , praying together, loving one another , traveling together  
To the place you love the most Santa Fe, Clovis New Mexico, Cloudcroft..  
Thank you Tio for going to Lubbock on Sunday mornings to get that wonderful food for all of us to share ,,  
All the great Times when we would go to Lake Meredith, and all of the summers that you would take us to Palo Duro Canyon, and let's not forget that you used to love to dance you would take us to the ballroom and dance we will always cherish all of the memories thank you for the teachings on the horses ,and the hogs ,and the armadillos you would bring home  
For letting us stay at your house and making memories with you :))  
I remember that great big turtle you had in your backyard must've been 50 years old laughing  
we love you we will miss you here om earth but you know more about our king than we do We love you Tio ...  
I'll always cherish that when our days seem like they were going nowhere you always came around and made them go somewhere and they always were full of meaning love action and full of laughter joy and peace...  
I would like to send my condolences to my cousins and my Tia I love you guys thank you

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ramona trevino niece - November 06, 2014 at 07:40 PM



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DeGusipe Funeral Home & Crematory - November 05, 2014 at 02:07 PM

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daniel - November 03, 2014 at 11:04 PM

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**Daniel** - November 03, 2014 at 10:59 PM