



Antonio Zendejas

June 13, 1905 - February 29, 2012

Born on June 13, 1905 in Villa Jiménez, Michoacán, MX. On February 14, 1925 he married the love of his life, Otilia Tapia Luna. Soon after they immigrated to the United States, crossing the border at El Paso, TX where a mistake at the border changed Cendejas to Zendejas. He worked several jobs as the family moved across the country, eventually residing in Union City.

He enjoyed watching boxing on TV, playing cards (Sequence), and his passion was gardening. His secret to longevity was hard work, spending time with family and friends, laughing often, and eating chili with every meal.

In June of 2011 he celebrated his 106th birthday at a Casino Night themed party held in his honor. Among his guests were family from California, Washington, Texas, and Michigan.

He is survived by 6 children: Connie, Delia, Nef (Genara), Tony (Sara), Lala (Vicente), and Romie (Gene); as well as 20 grandchildren, 42 great-grandchildren, and 13 great-great grandchildren.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, March 6, from 5-8pm with a vigil at 6:30pm at Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church, 703 C Street, Union City, CA 94587. Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday, March 7, 10am at Our Lady of the Rosary. Burial will follow at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Hayward.

Tribute Wall

EO

“ *My condolences and my heart is with the family at this time. Our prayers are with you. Efrain Orozco and Family.*

efrain orozco - March 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SA

“ *I was deeply touched at the funeral mass for Antonio yesterday. I have admired his daughter, Dalia, and his son-in-law, Immanuel, since my arrival in Hayward in 1997. What an inspiration to us all. God bless the family and God grant the soul of Antonio eternal peace.*

Susanna Maria Ax

Susanna Maria Ax - March 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ *Grandpa, thank you for sharing such a Blessed long beautiful life with All of us. We are so lucky to have had you in our lives for so long. My friends are amazed when I talk about you being 106 years old and still being able to work in your garden. We love you and will miss you.*

Rest In Peace grandpa!

Brian, Margaret, Elizabeth & Ryan Wills. Mitchell, Delores, Benjamin, Isabel & Miguel Soliz

Brian & Margaret Wills & Family - March 05, 2012 at 12:00 AM

ES

“ Grandpa, I have many fond memories of you...when I was little I loved to stay at your house...my bag would always be packed and ready for a visit! I will truly miss you!

Love,
Eleanor

Eleanor Stanaland - March 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MO

“ Thank you tio Antonio for all the wonderful memories you have given us. Our children hear stories of how we used to play in your garden and eat your fruit. God bless you family!

Meliton and Carmen Orozco - March 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ My Tio Antonio and Tia Otilia will always be in my heart, lots of wonderful memories I cherish with both of them since I was a little kid. I LOVE them and admire their family values and what they have taught us. With all my LOVE!! Blanca

Blanca Orozco Barrera - March 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

YG

“ Grandpa,
I was so lucky to have you in my life for 56 years. I miss you so much...
Your garden is planted and has yield fruit; your journey of 106 years is over; now you can rest in peace.

Yolanda Galvan - March 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM