

Alma Sanchez Lewis

Alma Sanchez Lewis, 61, passed away on Saturday, October 11, 2008 at Mountain View Medical Center.



She was born January 22, 1947 in Las Cruces to Jesus and Luz Sanchez. She was a 1965 graduate of Las Cruces High School and attended New Mexico State University. Alma was retired from White Sands Missile Range. She was a member of Holy Cross Catholic Church, the Belton Bridge Club, was the treasurer for the Dona Ana Peppers (Good Sams RV Club), and the Blu Bells and Crossfires square dancing groups.

In addition to playing bridge and square dancing, she enjoyed spending time with her family and friends whether it be at the local movie theatre or in the great outdoors, camping.

She is survived by her husband of 38 years, Thurman Michael Lewis; one daughter, Laurie Anderson and husband Sammy of Alamogordo; her parents, Jesus and Luz Sanchez of Las Cruces; three brothers, Armando Sanchez and wife Inez of Las Cruces; Alfonso Sanchez of Las Cruces; and Robert Ortega and wife Alice of Santa Fe. Also surviving are two sisters, Susie Saiz and Ruth Sanchez of Las Cruces, and two grandchildren, Samantha and Ilene Anderson; her mother-in-law, Mary K. Lewis of Louisa, VA; three brothers-in-law, Larry Lewis of Williamsburg, VA, Carl Lewis of Orlando, FL and Tony Lewis of Louisa, VA.

At Alma's request, cremation has taken place and a memorial mass will be held on Thursday, October 16, 2008, at 4 pm, at Holy Cross Catholic Church, 1327 N. Miranda in Las Cruces. Officiating will be Msgr. John Anderson. A reception to celebrate her life will follow at The Belton Bridge Center of Las Cruces, 1214 E. Madrid. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to Holy Cross Catholic Church in her name.

Arrangements by Getz Funeral Home, 1410 E. Bowman Ave. Las Cruces, NM 88001

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