



Mary Esther Niño passed away on April 14, 2020 to be with her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, and rejoin her late husband Sixto Niño, Jr. She was born Mary Esther Garcia in Laredo, TX on February 24, 1924, to Tobias Garcia and Esther Salinas Garcia. She is survived by her children, Cristobal Niño, Hector Daniel Niño and wife Susan, grandchildren Marisa Rodriguez and husband Kris, Daniel Niño, Paul Niño, Esteban Niño, great-grand daughter Lyla Rodriguez, In-laws, cousins and numerous nieces and nephews

Mary Esther moved to San Antonio from Laredo as a young child. When she passed, she was the last remaining survivor of her family that included four brothers, one sister, two half-brothers and one half-sister. While growing up she would work in her father's general store along with her siblings through the Great Depression. That is when she obtained her strong work ethic for both business and school. She graduated from what is current day Fox Tech High School in 1942. She continued to work in her father's store until she was able to begin her career of Civil Service at Kelly Air Force Base. While working there she would meet her future husband, Sixto Niño, Jr. They were inseparable from the moment they met until he passed away on September 23, 2002. She enjoyed gathering with family and friends to celebrate birthdays, holidays, hosting and going to bunco parties, or just getting together to share stories and good times. Mary Esther and Sixto loved to travel, taking their two boys on countless family trips to different destinations in Mexico, or just to visit family and friends that didn't live in San Antonio. Mary Esther retired from Kelly Air Force Base in 1982 as a GS-9 Budget Analyst after 36 years of service. After Sixto retired from Kelly, they would do more traveling around Texas, Arizona, Nevada, California, Mexico, and Europe, always trying to see family, or friends they had made over the years together.

Mary Esther was a wonderful wife, mother and provider. She would work during the day and take care of her family when she returned home. She was an extraordinary cook, making original dishes, and traditional meals that always resulted in her family expressing their satisfaction. She learned to sew clothes while very young and was talented in making countless outfits for herself and her boys when they were young. She had a taste for nice things and enjoyed shopping for shoes, purses, clothes, and jewelry. She was gracious and giving of herself, often sharing in what she had so others could enjoy, or making donations to different organizations. When Sixto was diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease in September of 2000, she would take care of him until he passed away. She was a strong woman with a strong constitution and a stronger faith in her lord and savior, Jesus Christ. Her faith was unwavering, and she confided in Jesus every day to give her the wisdom and strength every day demanded. She was a great example for others and will be tremendously missed by all who knew her.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Alzheimer's Association San Antonio, 10223 McAllister Fwy. #100, San Antonio, TX 78216.