



## Porfirio "Dee" De La Garza

February 19, 1951 - July 7, 2017

Porfirio "Dee" De La Garza, age 66, passed away surrounded by his loving family on Friday, July 7, 2017 in Richmond, Texas, near Houston. He was born February 19, 1951 in Valadecees, Mexico.

He worked on B-52's, T-37's, T-38's, T-1's, and T-6 aircrafts at Laughlin AFB. During his career he was awarded many awards for his work on these aircraft. At his retirement ceremony he was awarded metals and certificates for his 40 years of service.

He is preceded in death by his son, Richard De La Garza of Del Rio; parents, Antonio & Santos De La Garza of Rio Grande City, Tx; sister, Gloria Zarate of Mission, Tx; father/mother-in-law, Marcelo and Obilia Chapa of Rio Grande City, Tx

Porfirio is survived by beloved wife of 44 years, Oralia C. De La Garza of Del Rio; son, Robert De La Garza and wife Marta of Houston, Tx; daughters, Priscilla Barnes and husband James of Richmond, Tx and Melissa Stephenson and husband Keith of Del Rio; grandchildren: Delberto De La Garza, Richard De La Garza, Robert De La Garza, Patricia De La Garza, Ashley De La Garza, Jonathan Barnes, Rayna Barnes, Gregory Leonard, Samuel Leonard, Liam Stephenson, and Ahmira Stephenson; brothers: Carlos De La Garza, Antonio De La Garza, and Benancio De La Garza; sisters:

Sonia De La Garza, Sylvia Barcenas, Martina Garza, and Rita Lozano.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 11. 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

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<https://www.trinitymortuary.com>

# Tribute Wall

AP

“ *Mrs De La Garza I cant imagine what you must be feeling right now but i want you to know that Im just a phone call away if there is anything i can do to help you many times you were there for me and you give so much its time to reep what you have sown remember im here*

*Your Friend Always  
Alfa Prieto*

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**Alfa Prieto** - July 13, 2017 at 11:09 AM

JP

“ *Mrs. De La Garza my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

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**Jhoana Parks** - July 11, 2017 at 10:33 PM

RM

“ *Thank you so much Dee, George has always told Alex an I that if it wasn't for your time and patience he would not know all he dose now at Laughlin, you told me once George was very special to you and that you saw yourself in him.  
You told me that you were going to be sure george was going to learn all you knew, I see how your passing has affected him, but I myself want to thank you and make sure you get the credit you deserve . I want to thank you George is there now because of you. I will always remember that.and thank you for dedicating 40 years to laugflin's success george is coming on 30 years now too.  
Again thank you and know you will always live in his heart an ours.  
God bless your family  
Rosa Menchaca*

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**rosa menchaca** - July 11, 2017 at 11:26 AM

ER

“ *Elsa Denise Reyes purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Porfirio "Dee" De La Garza.*



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**Elsa Denise Reyes** - July 10, 2017 at 10:50 PM

DR

“ *Mrs. DeLaGarza,*

*My sons Andrew and Alex Portales and I send you and your family our sincere sympathy for the loss of your beloved husband, father, and grandfather. Through all the wonderful stories you shared about your husband and children over the years, I feel like I knew him. Being the beautiful person you are, the wonderful teacher you were to your many students, and the pride you have in your children, Mr. DeLaGarza was a fortunate and very blessed man to have the love you and your family shared for him and with him. May God be with with you and your family now and always.*

*With Sincere Love and Respect,  
Denise Reyes  
Andrew Portales  
Alex Portales*

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**Denise Reyes** - July 10, 2017 at 09:41 PM

OD

*Thank you  
Oralia DeLaGarza 🙏*

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**Oralia DeLaGarza** - July 10, 2017 at 11:11 PM

RM

“ *Our most sincere condolences to Porfirio's wife and family. May you find solace in your precious memories.*



*Lou Edna and Jose Roberto Musquiz Jr.*

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**Robert Musquiz** - July 10, 2017 at 09:28 PM

OD

*Thank You 🙏*

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**Oralia DeLaGarza** - July 10, 2017 at 11:12 PM

VH

“ *Condolences to the family May he RIP! Virginia and Richard Hernandez*

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**Virginia Hernandez** - July 10, 2017 at 06:44 PM

OD

*Thank You*

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**Oralia DeLaGarza** - July 10, 2017 at 11:12 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Porfirio "Dee" De La Garza.*



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July 10, 2017 at 06:30 PM

RA

“ *RIP Homeboy. You will be missed. It seems like yesterday you helped me with those 37 rudder boxes. I will never forget The good advice and experience you gave me.*

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**Rick Angulo** - July 10, 2017 at 04:03 PM

OD

*I know his buddies will miss him* 🍷

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**Oralia DeLaGarza** - July 10, 2017 at 11:13 PM



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July 10, 2017 at 12:07 PM

SM

“ *Dee you will be missed... but all the "alley" memories will live forever... Godspeed my friend...*

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**scott morgan** - July 09, 2017 at 10:45 AM