

## Garces, Cilfredo Q., Sr. | 1938-2017

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Cilfredo Garces Sr.

Cilfredo Q. "Sonny" Garces Sr., 78, of Paradise, died Tuesday, Aug. 22, 2017, in Decatur. Funeral is 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 26, at Jones Family Funeral Home in Bridgeport with Bishop Fred Villa and Pastor Spain Trask officiating. Burial will follow at East Bridgeport Cemetery.

Pallbearers are Austin Culwell, J.B. Culwell, John Clifton, Josh Vidal, Pete Salazar, Bruno Acosta, Felipe Moncibaiz and Ed Martinez.

Honorary pallbearers are Shelton Garces and Cliff-Ryan Garces.

Sonny was born Sept. 15, 1938, in Beeville to Eliceo and Evarista (Quintanilla) Garces. For many years, he drove a truck for Bridgeport's Acme Brick Co. It was in Bridgeport that he met and married Mary Sue Casillas. The couple were married for 44 years, until her death in 2014.

His hobbies included farming, spending time with family and friends and traveling.

Cilfredo was preceded in death by his parents; his wife; daughters Eva Ann Garces, Gloria Martinez and Emily Vidal; grandsons Andy Martinez and John Salazar Jr.; great-grandson Michael Wyatt Hernandez; brothers Pedro, Santos, Amado and Eliceo Jr.; and sisters Petra, Genoveva, Dominga, Juanita and Julia.

He is survived by daughters JoAnn Salazar and husband, Wally, of Bridgeport, Olga Evans and husband, Joel, of Mexia, Gloria Ramirez of El Paso, Norma Stith and husband, Ted, of North Dakota, Julie Torres of Bridgeport and Sally Salazar of Mexico; sons Cliff Garces and wife, Tracie, of Paradise, Tommy Salazar of Greenwood and Johnny Salazar Sr. of Bridgeport; brother Gilbert Garces of Eastland; and numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren and other family members.