



## Carla Marie Mendez

February 12, 2003 - April 20, 2024

In loving memory of Carla Marie Mendez, who departed from us on April 20, 2024, at the age of 21, at Medical Center Hospital in Odessa, Texas.

Carla graced this world with her presence on February 12, 2003, born to Carlos and Valerie Mendez in Odessa, Texas. She leaves behind a legacy of love and warmth that will forever be cherished by those who knew her.

She is survived by her beloved fiance, Jamarque Bennett, and their three precious children, Ja'Quavious Ricardo Martinez Bennett, Ava Marie Parker, and Alaia Grace Mendez. Carla's adoration extended to her family, including her parents: Valerie Valenzuela Tijerina (Victor) and Carlos Ramirez Mendez, and her siblings, David Garcia IV, Andrea Alexis Garcia (Javier Marquez), and Mercedes Allyzea Mendez. She is also mourned by her maternal grandparents, Irene Mendoza (Raymond) and David Vaca (Janie), and her paternal grandparents, Antonia and Guadalupe Mendez.

Carla's life was a testament to joy and compassion. She had a radiant smile that could light up any room and a heart that overflowed with love for her family. A devoted mother, she poured her heart and soul into caring for her children, ensuring they were always surrounded by love and laughter.

Carla was a deep thinker with dreams and aspirations, aspiring to further her

education to become a nurse. Her intelligence, coupled with her caring nature, made her a beacon of support for those in need. She had a big heart and a genuine desire to make a positive impact on the lives of others.

In her free time, Carla enjoyed the simple pleasures of life. She loved shopping, especially for shoes, and was a dedicated collector of purses. Cooking brought her immense joy, and she delighted in experimenting with new recipes to share with her loved ones.

Though Carla may no longer walk among us, her spirit lives on in the memories she created and the love she shared. She will be deeply missed by all who had the privilege of knowing her.

May her soul find eternal peace, and may her memory continue to bring comfort and solace to those who loved her.

A viewing will be held on Thursday, April 25, 2024, at American Heritage Funeral Home beginning at 1:00 PM until 8:00 PM.

Funeral service will be held on Friday, April 26, 2024, 10:00 AM at Life Challenge Church in Odessa. Interment immediately following in American Heritage Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## American Heritage Cemetery

4100 North FM 1788  
Midland, TX 79707  
(432) 563-9767  
info@thehealingstartshere.com  
<https://thehealingstartshere.com>

# Previous Events

## Viewing

APR **25**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

American Heritage Funeral Home  
4100 North FM 1788  
Midland, TX 79707

## Funeral

APR **26**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Life Challenge Church  
4500 N Grandview Ave.  
Odessa, TX 79762

## Burial

APR 26 (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Javier & Brittney Loera purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Carla Marie Mendez.* ”



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**Javier & Brittney Loera** - April 24, 2024 at 10:17 PM



“ *The Endless Sky Spray was purchased for the family of Carla Marie Mendez.* ”



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April 23, 2024 at 02:42 PM