



## Elizabeth Ann Villarreal Rivera

February 28, 1977 - January 23, 2025

Elizabeth was born in Alpine, TX, to Jose and Ramona Villarreal. Elizabeth grew up in Sanderson, TX, and graduated with her degree in Political Science from Sul Ross State University in Alpine, TX. Elizabeth played tennis for Sul Ross and was an active member of several groups on campus.

After college, Elizabeth went to work for MHMR in Ft. Stockton, TX, where she poured her heart into working with individuals with special needs. More recently, Elizabeth worked for many years at the Second Baptist Church in Odessa, TX, helping coordinate events such as the Upward Basketball Program. She also worked for Odessa College in the recruitment office. Elizabeth's most prized job was as a mother to her two boys, Zachary and Ryan. Elizabeth loved being a "boy mom." She loved dinosaurs, shooting guns, and going on adventures.

Elizabeth was also known to the family as "Auntie-Mom" since she was always helping care for all her nieces and nephews. She had the biggest heart for all of these babies.

Elizabeth loved being a part of her church community. She taught CCD for many years at both St. Elizabeth Ann Seton and St. Mary's Catholic Church. She is preceded in death by her paternal grandparents, Luis and Guadalupe Villarreal, and her maternal grandparents, Castulo and Natividad Calzada. Elizabeth is survived by her parents, Jose and Ramona Villarreal; her two sons, Zachary and Ryan Rivera; two sisters, Teresa (Jake) Hernandez and Bernadette (Chris) Barragan; two brothers, Luis (Yvette) Villarreal and Oscar

(Jana) Villarreal; and many nieces and nephews.

A viewing will be held on Tuesday, January 28th from 6-7 PM at American Heritage Funeral Home. Rosary will be held at 7 PM.

A funeral service will be held at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Odessa, Texas on Wednesday, January 29th at 2 PM. Burial will be held immediately after the funeral service at American Heritage Cemetery in Midland, TX.

# Previous Events

## Viewing

JAN 28. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

## Rosary

JAN 28. 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

## Funeral Mass

JAN 29. 2:00 PM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church  
612 E. 18th St.  
Odessa, TX 79761

# Tribute Wall

AD

“ Ana, Adysen, Nettie, Dean planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Elizabeth Ann Villarreal Rivera.

Ana, Adysen, Nettie, Dean - January 28, 2025 at 11:36 PM

AD

“ Ana, Adysen, Nettie, Dean purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Elizabeth Ann Villarreal Rivera.



Ana, Adysen, Nettie, Dean - January 28, 2025 at 11:36 PM

VF

“ Villarreal Family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Elizabeth Ann Villarreal Rivera.



Villarreal Family - January 28, 2025 at 09:36 PM

OM

“ Olivares Fam: Elvira, Elsa, Corina, Mary purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Elizabeth Ann Villarreal Rivera.



Olivares Fam: Elvira, Elsa, Corina, Mary - January 27, 2025 at 11:01 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Elizabeth Ann Villarreal Rivera.

January 27, 2025 at 09:09 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Elizabeth Ann Villarreal Rivera.



January 27, 2025 at 09:09 PM



“ SEAS Catechists purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Elizabeth Ann Villarreal Rivera.



**SEAS Catechists** - January 27, 2025 at 06:12 PM



“ We were blessed to share life with Ms. Elizabeth. From CCD to our conferences and more, she was always eager to serve our Lord! WE thank her family for sharing her with us! We will continue to pray! Rest In Peace, Ms. Elizabeth. - love your Sisters in Christ at SEAS.

**Michelle Rincon** - January 27, 2025 at 06:08 PM

MR

“ 5 files added to the album SEAS CATECHIST



Michelle Rincon - January 27, 2025 at 05:56 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Elizabeth Ann Villarreal Rivera.

January 27, 2025 at 05:15 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Elizabeth Ann Villarreal Rivera.



January 27, 2025 at 05:15 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Elizabeth Ann Villarreal Rivera.

January 27, 2025 at 04:04 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Elizabeth Ann Villarreal Rivera.



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“ Rodriguez & Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Elizabeth Ann Villarreal Rivera.



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**Rodriguez & Family** - January 27, 2025 at 02:57 PM



“ Anna and Vincent purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Elizabeth Ann Villarreal Rivera.



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**Anna and Vincent** - January 27, 2025 at 02:51 PM