



Rita Ibarra Hemphill

February 24, 1950 - February 12, 2025

With deep sorrow, we announce the passing of Rita Ibarra Hemphill, 74, on February 12, 2025, at St. Francis Hospital in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Rita was born on February 24, 1950, in La Mula, Municipio de Ojinaga, Chihuahua. At the age of 13, she moved in with her sister Lala and attended Federal Secondary School in Ojinaga. In 1972, she immigrated to the United States, and within eight months, she married Milford Joel Hemphill of Nowata, Oklahoma. They shared a life full of love until his passing on January 17, 2011.

Rita was a strong woman until the very end. She loved her family with all her heart and always kept them in her thoughts and prayers. She selflessly put others before herself, praying for the pain and illnesses of her loved ones before considering her own.

Although she did not have children of her own, God had a special plan for her. Through her older sister, Maria de Jesus Nino, and her husband, Caleb Nino Cardona, Rita was blessed with a child to love and raise as her own. From that child, she became a grandmother to two grandchildren, a role that brought great joy to her and Milford. She shared these grandchildren with her sister: Brandon Wade Clark and Summer Rose Clark.

Rita cherished family vacations and time spent with loved ones. She had a deep and abiding faith, loved reading her Bible, and faithfully attended church. She also had a passion for dancing and enjoyed moments of joy and celebration with her friends and family.

She is preceded in death by her beloved husband, Milford Joel Hemphill; her parents, Manuel Ibarra and Soledad Ibarra Aguirre; her granddaughter, Summer Rose Clark; and five siblings: Manuel Ibarra Aguirre, Maria De Jesus Ibarra Nino, Olivia Ibarra Herrera, Jose Ibarra Aguirre, and Marin Ibarra Aguirre.

She is survived by her daughter, Leticia Nino Clark of Bristow, OK; her grandson, Brandon Wade Clark; four siblings: Eulalia Ibarra Enriquez, Daniel Ibarra Aguirre, Elizabeth Ibarra Aguirre, and Civia Ibarra Luna; 37 nieces and nephews; and many great-nieces and great-nephews.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, February 26, at American Heritage Funeral Home, with a viewing from 10 AM to 2 PM, followed by the funeral service at 2 PM, officiated by Chris Hagger. Rita will be laid to rest immediately after the service at American Heritage Cemetery.

"So with you: Now is your time of grief, but I will see you again and you will rejoice, and no one will take away your joy."

-John 16:22

Con profundo pesar, anunciamos el fallecimiento de Rita Ibarra Hemphill, de 74 años, ocurrido el 12 de febrero de 2025 en el Hospital St. Francis de Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Rita nació el 24 de febrero de 1950 en La Mula, Municipio de Ojinaga, Chihuahua. A la edad de 13 años, se fue a vivir con su hermana Lala y cursó la secundaria en la Escuela Secundaria Federal de Ojinaga. En 1972, emigró a los Estados Unidos y, ocho meses después, se casó con Milford Joel Hemphill, de Nowata, Oklahoma, con quien compartió una vida llena de amor hasta su fallecimiento el 17 de enero de 2011.

Rita fue una mujer fuerte hasta el final. Amaba a su familia con todo su corazón y siempre los tenía en sus pensamientos y oraciones. Se preocupaba más por el bienestar de los demás que por el suyo propio, orando por las enfermedades y dolores de sus seres queridos antes de pensar en los suyos. Aunque no tuvo hijos biológicos, Dios tenía un propósito especial para ella. A

traves de su hermana mayor, Maria de Jesus Nino, y su esposo Caleb Nino Cardona, Rita recibio la bendicion de criar y amar a una hija como suya. Gracias a ello, tuvo la alegria de ser abuela de dos nietos, un regalo que tanto ella como Milford agradecieron profundamente. Compartio a sus nietos con su hermana: Brandon Wade Clark y Summer Rose Clark.

Rita disfrutaba enormemente de las reuniones familiares y los viajes con sus seres queridos. Tenia una fe profunda, le encantaba leer la Biblia y asistir a la iglesia. Tambien le apasionaba bailar y disfrutaba los momentos de alegria con sus amigos y familiares.

Le precedieron en la muerte su amado esposo, Milford Joel Hemphill; sus padres, Manuel Ibarra y Soledad Ibarra Aguirre; su nieta, Summer Rose Clark; y cinco de sus hermanos: Manuel Ibarra Aguirre, Maria de Jesus Ibarra Nino, Olivia Ibarra Herrera, Jose Ibarra Aguirre y Marin Ibarra Aguirre.

Le sobreviven su hija, Leticia Nino Clark, de Bristow, OK; su nieto, Brandon Wade Clark; sus hermanos Eulalia Ibarra Enriquez, Daniel Ibarra Aguirre, Elizabeth Ibarra Aguirre y Civia Ibarra Luna; 37 sobrinos y una gran cantidad de sobrinos nietos y sobrinas nietas.

Los servicios funerarios se llevaran a cabo el miercoles 26 de febrero en la Funeraria American Heritage, con un velorio de 10 AM a 2 PM, seguido del servicio religioso a las 2 PM, oficiado por Chris Hagger. Posteriormente, Rita sera sepultada en el Cementerio American Heritage.

"Asi tambien ahora vosotros teneis tristeza, pero yo os volvere a ver, y se gozara vuestro corazon, y nadie os quitara vuestro gozo."

-Juan 16:22

Cemetery Details

American Heritage Cemetery

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Midland, TX 79707
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<https://thehealingstartshere.com>

Previous Events

Viewing

FEB **26**. 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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

Funeral

FEB **26**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Burial

FEB 26 (CT)

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