



## Manuela "Tona" De Leon

October 5, 1928 - April 7, 2025

In Loving Memory of Manuela "Tona" De Leon  
1928 – 2025

With heavy hearts, we announce the passing of our beloved grandmother, Manuela De Leon, affectionately known to many as Guela Tona, who passed away peacefully at the age of 96.

Born in Nuevo León, Mexico, Tona lived a long and meaningful life, most of it spent in Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, where she became a cherished part of the community. She was married for 43 beautiful years to Rogelio Castaneda (deceased), and together they built a legacy of love and family. Their union was blessed with nine children: Ramiro, Jesus, Mario, Yolanda, Hector, Fernando, Virginia, Margil and Nora.

Tona's love extended far beyond her children. She was the proud grandmother to 29 grandchildren, 61 great-grandchildren, and 4 great-great-grandchildren—each one touched by her warmth, wit, and boundless love.

Known for her gift of storytelling, a simple 10-minute conversation with Tona often turned into an evening of memories, laughter and lessons passed down with heart. She had a remarkable ability to connect with anyone, young or old, and left a lasting impression on everyone she met, including the many nurses

and doctors who came to adore her.

# Previous Events

## Funeral Mass

APR 15. 10:00 AM (CT)

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church  
7539 Avenue K  
Houston, TX 77012

## Visitation

APR 15. 1:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

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