



## Angela Barbara Benavides

October 2, 1930 - November 7, 2023

On November 7, 2023. Our mother, Angela Barba Benavides left us peacefully in her sleep. She had just turned 93 years old in October. She lived a long life and touched many people. Not only did she have her children and grandchildren that held her as a matriarch, but she had many nieces and nephews that held her in their hearts. It's not uncommon for someone to ask about her or tell me how special she was to them, and how she was there for them when they needed someone.

Her parents immigrated to Colorado and had a large family of six boys and six girls. She would often talk about growing up with them and working with them on the family farm. The simple times when she would hang out with her friends and working in the hospital as an on-the-job trained nurse. She married my father, Steve, they went on to have five of us kids. They moved from Las Cruces, New Mexico to the San Luis Valley.

My mom was the manager for what used to be the Cliff Brice Convenience store and retired from there and moved to Alamosa, Colorado a few years after we lost our father. She was active in the Catholic Church (both in Fort

Garland and Alamosa), and was a Third Order of Mount Carmel Carmelite. Through the church, she met and knew many people.

Mom recently lost her beloved baby brother, Uncle Pete. They remained close even though old age prevented them from being able to visit each other. She was ready to see her Little Mama and “your dad”. So yes, we ALL will miss her very much, but she was tired and needed to move on from this life (a life free of all the ailments of the 93-year-old body)

Her Legacy will live on through her children Leola (Harry) Alejo, Alamosa, Co, Mark (Esther) Benavidez, Las Cruces, NM, Pamela (Barry) White, Las Cruces, NM, Thomas (Louise) Benavidez, Pueblo, CO, Lisa Benavidez, Alamosa, CO. Grandchildren, great grandchildren, and great-great grandchildren; Robert (Christy) Alejo, Robbie Alejo, Karry (Alley) Shreeve, Cindi (Mike) Flammini, Kyomi (Greg) Flammini, Sophia Flammini, Madison Flammini, Steve R. (Valerie) Benavidez, Steve M. (Alyssa) Benavidez, Joseph (Alexis) Benavidez, Nicole Benavidez, Joseph Benavidez Jr., Zoe Benavidez, Alyssa Martinez, Marcus Benavidez, Ryan Benavidez, Becky (Paul) Olson, Sarah Olson, Mimi Olson, Paul (Faith) Kekuewa, Ashlee Kekuewa, Josalynn Kekuewa, Angela L(Joe) Lowery, Estevan Lowery, Isaac (Amanda) Benavidez, Aryionna Benavidez, Rhoan Schroeder, Tatum Benavidez, Jayla Benavidez, Joshua Benavidez, Joshua Junior Benavidez, Aneris Benavidez, Natane Benavidez, Melayah Benavidez, sister Josephine Velasquez, sister-in-law Billie Barba.as well as numerous nieces, nephews, extended family, and friends.

Angela was preceded in death by her husband Steve Eloy Benavidez, parents

Pedro and Florence Barba, granddaughter Kelly Alejo, Sisters; Pauline Hernandez, Lisa Hernandez, Vera Gonzales, Margaret Coon, Stella Cheer, brothers; Henry Barba, Joseph Barba, Abraham Barba, Patrick Barba, Anthony Barba, Pete Barba, and brother-in-law Bob Velasquez. Services with Recitation of the Rosary will be held on Wednesday, November 15, 2023 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Alamosa, CO at 9:30 AM with the Mass of the Resurrection to follow at 10:00 AM also at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Interment will follow at the Alamosa Cemetery. To leave online condolences please visit; [romerofuneralhomes.com](http://romerofuneralhomes.com). The care of arrangements has been entrusted to Romero Valley Funeral Home of Alamosa.

No flowers or donations please. My mom was quick to offer a prayer for anyone. She felt needed it. So, I ask you to please send up a prayer for her instead.

## Cemetery Details

**Alamosa Cemetery**

## Events

**Details are pending.**

# Tribute Wall

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“*Leola, Pam, Lisa, Tom, Rob, Cindi, and the Benavidez and Barba Family. My sincere condolences for your loss. Angie had a loving and caring heart to all those who knew her and to those she just met. She was a large part of our church community and well known in Fort Garland.*

*She was one of the members who formed the Rosary group that inspired many to join in praying the Rosary. Her love and devotion to the Blessed Mother was known by the countless rosaries she recited in church and leading the rosary in our prayer group. Angie brought many people closer to God with her devotion. Angie helped many people deepen their faith by the love she had to the Blessed Mother.*

*Angie was known as Mrs.B to many in the community, she was well respected by the young and old alike. Angie will be missed by the people who had the privilege to know her, talk to her, and pray the Rosary with her. Angie always had that sparkle in her eyes when she greeted you. You weren't a stranger to her, you instantly became her friend. I will miss her sense of humor and that laugh. You are now with Mr. B by your side. Your journey has ended and you are together.*

*My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this sad and difficult time. May God give you comfort and peace today and the days to follow. May the Perpetual Light shine upon her. Through the Mercy of God, may Angie Rest in Peace.*

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**Cheryl Montoya** - November 12, 2023 at 12:27 PM

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“ *Angela Barba lit a candle in memory of  
Angela Barbara Benavides*



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**Angela Barba** - November 10, 2023 at 08:40 PM

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*My tokeya I often thought about you. I enjoyed seeing you in Ft. Garland. We were on our way to take my grandmother's saints to Chimayo. She told me the nicks on the saints were to save someone else's pain. That was so true. I never forgot your warm hospitality even when we went to the ranch. Love you rest beautiful lady.*

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**Angela Barba** - November 10, 2023 at 08:52 PM

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“ The first time I ever met “Great Aunt” Angie was when I was about 9 years old. Our family traveled from California to Colorado for our Grandma ( Vera Barba Gonzales’) family reunion. Aunt Angie was the first member of the Barba family that I had ever met. She welcomed us into her cozy home with open arms & was just such a faithful & joyful soul to be in the presence of. The last time I saw aunt Angie was for Grandma Vera’s funeral sixteen years ago. Aunt Angie was one of the Eucharistic Ministers at the funeral mass and brought comfort to our grieving family by holding prayer circles. She was such a spiritual woman with a strong faith in God. There is no doubt in my mind that she is rejoicing with the angels, saints, our departed loved ones, Our Beloved mother Mary and our precious Lord. The Ramirez family from California would like to extend our deepest and most heartfelt condolences to Aunt Angie’s children, grandchildren & great-grandchildren as we join you in your grieving. May the beautiful memories you created with your beloved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and the prayers & love of your family & friends pull you through the difficult days. We will definitely dedicate many masses, holy rosaries, and novenas in her name. May God Bless You All!



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**Alicia Ramirez** - November 10, 2023 at 06:00 PM