



Harold L. Martinez

August 24, 1933 - August 12, 2023

Antonito resident Harold L Martinez passed away on August 12, 2023 at his home in Ortiz Colorado. He was surrounded by his loving family at his side. Harold came into this world on August 24, 1933. He was born in Los Pinos, New Mexico. The son of Ezekiel and Pablita Martinez he moved to Redcliff Colorado in 1955 and met the love of his life Cecelia J. Martinez they were united in marriage on April 6, 1959. They shared 63 years together until Cecelia's passing on February 5, 2021. Harold was a hard-working soul since he was growing up, he helped work the farm with his family, then went to work for the railroad, then worked for Gilman mine in Minturn Colorado. He moved to Superior Arizona and worked for Bordens milk company for eight years. He then moved back to Ortiz in 1967. Then went to work for the Perlite mine for the next 28 years before retiring in 1995. He enjoyed camping, fishing , ranching and he had a special love for animals. He was still bucking bales at 84 years of age. Most of all enjoyed his grandchildren. He had his special love for each and every one of them. He loved funny rhymes, and making everyone laugh. He loved his ice cream bars too. He was one of 13 siblings and outlived them all. He will live on to be his daughters, Pauline Martinez, Patricia (Andrew Gallegos), sons, Tony (Michelle Martinez), Richard (Susie) Martinez, Greg (Tina) Martinez, grandchildren Tanya and Tammy Sandoval, Andrew, John and Joey Gallegos, Anthony, Christopher, Brianna and Ethan Martinez, Greg Jr. and Soraya Martinez, Nathaniel and Lyndi Martinez, great grandchildren Victoria, Saday, Brian, and Amaya, Isaac and Layla Celia, Ellieanna and Anthony Jr. and Danielle great-great grandchildren is Avianna. He is survived by many nieces, nephews and cousins. Harold is preceded in death by his wife Cecilia, son Harold V. Martinez, granddaughter; Krista Gallegos, brothers Amos, John, Alfonso, Willie Isaac, Uvaldo, Manuel and Robert, sisters Celia, Anita, Eva, and Mary. Cremation was chosen and Services will be held at a later date. To leave online condolences please visit romerofuneralhomes.com. The care of Arrangements has been entrusted to Romero Valley Funeral Home of Antonito.