



Delia Toni Riojas Solis

December 25, 1945 - August 20, 2021

Toni Solis peacefully passed away August 20, 2021 at home in Lafayette, LA.

Toni was born Christmas Day 1945 in San Antonio, TX. She graduated from Edison High School followed by Southwest Texas State where she earned a degree in education. She later studied for her master's degree at Texas Women's University. Toni was married to her husband, Samuel Solis, for more than 40 years until his death in 2017.

Toni Solis was a passionate educator who impacted thousands of students through 43 years of teaching. She spent the majority of her career as a 1st Grade bilingual teacher at Daggett Elementary School in Fort Worth, TX.

In recent years, Toni moved to Lafayette, LA to be close to her cherished grandchildren who were her greatest joy. She spent the last 7 years of her life attending countless activities, sharing her infectious laugh, and creating lasting memories with her son, his wife, and their two children.

Toni will be laid to rest in San Antonio where she will be surrounded by family and love. A memorial service will be held in her honor later this year.

Survivors include her son Javier Solis (Julie Solis), grandson Atticus Solis, and granddaughter Camille Solis. She is also survived by her sister Ellen Riojas Clark (Hector Clark), nieces Judy Clark and Jennifer McDonnell (Jeff McDonnell), and great nieces Erica Salazar (Eric Younge), Melony Davis, Madeline McDonnell, and Emily McDonnell.

She was preceded in death by her husband Samuel Solis, her parents Antonio and Magdalena Riojas, and her brothers José Riojas and David Riojas.

Memorial contributions can be made in Ms. Solis' name to Bilingual Education Student Organization at Texas State University or Texas Parents as Teachers Organization.

The Solis family would like to extend heartfelt thanks to everyone at The Blake at Lafayette for providing a safe and happy environment during her last years

View the obituary and guestbook online at www.mourning.com

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Comments



“ I worked with Toni at Daggett Elementary. She was such a warm welcoming teacher. She made being a new preschool teacher assistant more bearable

Melinda Wood - August 24, 2021 at 08:24 AM



“ Tia was the greatest of great Aunts a girl could ask for. She was a blessing in all her families' lives, and made everyone around her smile. I will remember the birthdays I got to celebrate with her on Christmas (she always accepted a fruitcake as her birthday cake with such grace) and I will remember her love for others and beautiful personality always, and especially on Christmas. I will miss her greatly, but I know she will continue watching over her family lovingly as she did in life.

Lots of love,
Emily McDonnell

Emily McDonnell - August 23, 2021 at 08:55 PM



“ I'm so sad to hear of Toni's passing. I'm thankful it was peaceful. We were cousins and I loved her. Her mother was like a mother to my father after their mother passed. We recently reconnected on Facebook and shared our love of jigsaw puzzles. I will miss her. I loved reading the tributes from her colleagues and friends about what a great teacher she was. This is another thing we shared, bilingual elementary teaching.

nancy vasquez - August 22, 2021 at 12:35 PM



“ My my
So sad to hear. She was such a beautiful person. She was so kind and loving. I consider her like a sister (as Ellen too). They both have been my closest cousins on my mother's side. I will truly miss but am so glad she was part of my life. Love you Toni. I'll see you in your mansion.

Paulina Alvarez - August 22, 2021 at 06:34 PM



“ Mrs.Solis was a great teacher to the kids and parents . Was always smiling and happy .so sad. Que descanse en paz y dios la tenga en su gloria

Matia Hernandez - August 22, 2021 at 12:04 PM



“ I still have wonderful memories of doing reading buddies in the auditorium together. I loved hearing stories of her growing up in San Antonio! My heart is sad!

Mary Cantu - August 22, 2021 at 11:23 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Delia Toni Riojas Solis.



August 22, 2021 at 09:18 AM



“ She was my mentor teacher when I started teaching 25 years ago. She became a dear friend. I would always stop by her room before I left to chit chat with her about life.

Alma Singer - August 22, 2021 at 09:05 AM



“ Juanita Garcia from Daggett Elem.

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Mrs. Solis I could never call her another way, that was out of respect for her. She was my co-worker and my friend, and talked to her every day on my way out, I always had to stop by her room to get a little laughter. I love you Mrs Solis!!

She was my son Marco's first grade teacher back in 2001 and when he started driving she gifted him with a key chain for his car keys with his name on it that he still has and uses....All my family loved Mrs Solis and she will be greatly missed.

To the family we send our most respectful and deepest condolences may GOD bless All of her family and may SHE REST IN PEACE, AMEN.

Juanita Garcia from Daggett Elem. - August 22, 2021 at 02:43 AM



“ Ellen, Hector...familia de Toni, reciban nuestro más sentido Pésame, por el fallecimiento de Toni....Oramos por su eterno descanso y para que la Paz y Consuelo de Dios Nuestro Señor, los acompañe y fortalezca siempre. Juan B. Treviño y Elvia Garcia de. Treviño

Elvia Garcia - October 09, 2021 at 12:06 AM



“ My heart broke when I heard the news. A flood of memories filled my heart upon hearing of her passing. Toni was such a passionate friend, teacher, sister, etc. She would make your belly hurt from laughter and make you stand at attention when she spoke her truth. I am so thankful to have had been in her life. She made me a better teacher, friend...everything. God bless her family during this time. Rest in peace Toni! Love you ma'am.

Lety Gerred - August 22, 2021 at 01:22 AM



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“ What a privilege to have taught at Daggett Elementary with Mrs. Solis. My class was privileged to be book buddies with her class one year. What an amazing educator, gracious and loving example!!

Candace Rich - August 22, 2021 at 12:38 AM



“ Absolutely the best person I could have student taught with. Thank you Mrs. Solis, you were a fantastic educator! You touched the lives of many kiddos.



Martha Juarez - August 22, 2021 at 12:35 AM



“ I am so sorry to hear this. Toni and I taught across the hall for a lot of years at Daggett Elementary in Fort Worth, Texas. She was a great teacher and a wonderful friend. She will be greatly missed.

Betty McKenzie - August 21, 2021 at 10:43 PM



“ So sorry to hear about Ms. Toni, when I worked at The Blake I would drive her to her Drs appointments often. She was always happy and smiling no matter if she wasn't feeling good.

James Broussard - August 21, 2021 at 07:59 PM