



LOPEZ

MR. JOSE S. LOPEZ, born on April 20, 1895, passed away on Tuesday, December 30, 1997 in El Paso at the age of 102. He was born in Pecos, and raised on the Mescalero Reservation in New Mexico, he was among the first cotton farmers in Ysleta and Fabens, TX. At the age of 15, he was employed as a signal man at Elephant Butte Dam in 1910. While foreman, he assisted in straightening out the riverbed along the Rio Grande. Mr. Lopez was a farmer for approximately 50 years, and later worked as Security Guard for El Paso Independent School District. He placed the statue of St. Anthony in front of the Ysleta Mission in 1941. He was a dedicated mayor-domo at Mount Carmel Church and president of Union of San Jose

Lopez was preceded in death by his brother: Damian Lopez Sr. and is survived by his daughters: Josefa L. Casillas and husband Trinidad of Winter Haven, CA, Mary L. Groves, Margaret L. Ledesma and husband Ray, and Lillian Lopez, all of El Paso. 20 Grandchildren. Over 46 Great Grandchildren. Over 7 Great Great Grandchildren. Several Nieces and Nephews local and out of town. Visitation will be Friday from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Hillcrest Funeral Home. Recitation of the Rosary will be Friday at 7 p.m. at Hillcrest Chapel. Funeral Mass will be Saturday at 9 a.m. at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Old Mission. Pallbearers will be Jose Luis Torres, Richard Morales, Freddie Casillas, William Casillas, Marcos Apodaca, and Matthew Ledesma. Honorary Pallbearers will be Ray Ledesma Sr., Ray Ledesma Jr., Trinidad Casillas, Eusebio Quiroga, Alfredo Martinez, Mike Casillas, Tony Morales, Rudy Morales Jr., and Gilbert Morales. Interment will be in Mount Carmel Cemetery. Arrangements by HILLCREST FUNERAL HOME, 1060 Carolina, 598-3332