

**Rivera, Ricardo** | 1918-2011

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Funeral for Ricardo Rivera, 93, of Bridgeport will be held in Mexico at a later date. Visitation is 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 5, at Jones Family Funeral Home with rosary at 7 p.m.

Rivera died Monday, Oct. 3, 2011, in Bridgeport.

Born April 3, 1918, in Allende, Coahuila, Mexico, to Gregoria (Gomez) and Manuel Rivera, he was a member of St. John's Catholic Church in Bridgeport. He farmed and fished.

Rivera was preceded in death by son Victor Rivera and granddaughter Melissa Lara. He is survived by his wife, Hortencia Montalvo Rivera, of 71 years; sons Rodolfo, Feliciano, Jose Ramon, Juan Antonio, Victor Oswaldo, Hector Manuel and Ricardo Rivera Jr.; daughters Maria Guadalupe Rivera, Lily Wippman, Narce Dalia Lara, Martha Alicia Rodriguez, Hortencia Suarez and Gloria Estela Rivera; grandchildren Lisa Sanders of Utah, Carl of Missouri, Melissa Goldback of Massachusetts, Marie Lara, Keith Lara, Daniel Lara, Francisco Suarez, Juan Suarez, Rosa Schonerstedt, David Suarez, Janette Suarez, Yesenia Aguilar, Ricardo Rivera, Carlos Rivera, Gabriela Rivera, Amaris Chacon, Juan A. Rivera, Orlando Rivera, Angel J. Rivera, Alexzandra Rivera, Victoria Rivera, Juan Pablo Rivera, Rodolfo Hernandez, all of Bridgeport, and 18 residing in Mexico; 61 great-grandchildren; and nine great-great-children