

Ninfa garza
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004-site manager of the casa feliz

2600 bellevue

6- b. in Brady tx. ; 19 (50,33,52?) Lived there 3 years before moving to Monterrey, Mex.

13- Father Miguel Contreras, mother Maria de Jesus Contreras. 3bro and 7 sis. Father worked as a tour guide. with Americans. In Brady he had worked for 18 years in the same store, working his way up. Clothing store. Business closed in 1933 when the depression hit. Dad decided to go to mex. both parents

38 both parents b in mex,

41-Family lived in the same house in Monterrey for 21 years. Nice neighborhood. Liked the closeness of the families, how they helped each other out. Misses that here.

55- attended school public, attended college 3 years in the academia mercantil de Monterrey. a business school,

61-Very active in the Catholic organization. raised money, collected clothes for money for elderly and poor.
Built a new church, she was chairman for raising money. Had dinners, bazaar, St. Francis

84-Other church before st. francis was trinidad. Taught catechism. every sat.

95 mom always homemaker

98- after college, worked at a printing company. Eventually became a manager

105-Finally quit her job because she was overworked. Came to San Antonio to visit an aunt for a rest. Decided to get a job, went through telephone book looking for Mex. names. Called Mendez produce asking about office job, hired her the next day.

122- worked as bookkeeper, called her father to ask permission. Father wanted her to work rest, but relented. Did well, stayed until married. Met husband on job, was working for the same co.

160- Heilley Garcia name of husb. Made more money working in the US so she could help her family more. Could send 20-30 dollars a week. Parents upset that she was marrying. Husband went to Mex to ask for her hand in marriage, had to wait the traditional 30 days for an answer from father. Married in same church she helped build, big wedding.

193- returned to san antonio for yrs. Decided to go somewhere else and just started traveling N. Finally landed in KC, liked it and stayed. married 1957, , svd at age 18. Had never seen snow. did not like it,

at but ten she decided ~~she~~ liked it so they stayed.

223-Found a job in general motore (husband) Had worked for GM in calif.
and worked here for severl yrs.

234-Husband did not want her to work, she stayed home. Had a daughter.
then another child a year later.