

**MEMOIRS**  
**OF**  
**ARTURO L. ALEMAN**  
**BORN: JANUARY 7, 1897**  
**LA BLANCA, ZACATECAS, MEXICO**  
**DIED: NOVEMBER 23, 1977**  
**AUSTIN, TEXAS**

**Arturo L. Alemán wrote his memoirs in Spanish and worked on them up until about one year before his death. This English translation was prepared by his son, Moses.**

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**(JANUARY 7, 1897 – NOVEMBER 23, 1977)**

“Seventy years are given us! And some may even live to eighty.  
But even the best of these years are often emptiness and pain; soon they  
disappear, and we are gone.” Psalm 90:10 (from **The Living Bible**)

“The length of our days is seventy years – or eighty, if we  
have the strength, for they quickly pass and we fly away.”  
Psalm 90:10 (from the **New International Version** of the Bible)

“Vanity of vanities, saith the Preacher, vanity of vanity: all is vanity.”  
Ecclesiastes 1:2 (from the **King James Version** of the Bible)

“Meaningless! Meaningless!” says the Teacher: Utterly  
meaningless! Everything is meaningless” Ecclesiastes 1:2  
(from the **New International Version** of the Bible)

“In my opinion, nothing is worthwhile; everything is  
futile.” Ecclesiastes 1:2 (from **The Living Bible**)

In our life we have our own experiences, all different; sometimes happy, joyful or  
pleasant; other times sad, painful, or bitter because of the disappointments in life. There  
is restlessness, lack of tranquility, overwhelmed by sicknesses; the lack of economic  
resources and of spiritual peace, etc.

After meditating on the different problems of life, we regret that in the fluctuations of our  
existence we forget to offer our gratitude to the Owner and Lord of our life. We neglect  
our responsibility to God.

“God is our refuge and strength, an ever present help in trouble.”  
Psalm 46:1 (from the **New International Version** of the Bible)

“La Blanca” is the name of a small village in the state of Zacatecas, Mexico, where I first  
saw the light. It is a community where the three or four thousand inhabitants dedicate  
themselves to farming, cattle raising and businesses, one church (Roman Catholic), few  
schools. It is a Municipality where there are only judges instead of policemen.

My mother died when I was three years of age. I was then taken in by my paternal  
grandmother. I attended a tiny school where Doña Juanita Mireles, who happened to be  
my teacher, first taught me to read and write.

When I reached the age of 10, my grandmother, Mrs. María Cháirez Alemán, took me  
and my uncle Sóstenes to see her son, Amado Alemán, who lived in La Hojuela, an ore  
mineral community near Mapimí, Durango. In the short period of time we were there I

had the opportunity to go down into a mine with my uncle Amado. He worked there at the mine.

The mine shaft was as deep as the height of a 10 to 12 story building. We would go down in a type of elevator where I would sit in a metal bucket and the 8 or 10 men would hang on standing, four or five underneath and the others on top, grasping the thick steel cable with their hands, while being lowered or pulled by an electric capstan, just like they draw water from the wells. There were two rails on the side so that the metal bucket I was sitting in would not hit on the sides of the shaft.

Down underneath they tried to make blast-holes, which they exploded with dynamite, to extract rocks and stones from the mine. These rocks contained metals, irons, steel, silver, gold, etc. The rocks would be taken from there on the train to the foundries at Mapimí, Durango and to Monterrey.

We were in La Hojuela for only a brief period of time. From there we went to Siderita, to the north of Bermejillo, Durango where my aunt Barbarita resided. She was my father's sister.

We were there also for just two or three weeks because it soon became time for picking cotton at Lake Tualila, near Torreón Coahuila. We were at Lujan, Coahuila when my aunt Barbarita's husband found out that at the railroad station at "Seres", on the line from Torreón to Monterrey, there was a rock quarry where they extracted rocks to lay on the railroad tracks. The foreman there, Don Victor Mendoza, was a close friend of my aunt Barbarita's husband. My uncle Luís Bonett, as that was the name of my aunt Barbarita's husband, wrote to his close friend asking if there was any work available. Mr. Mendoza answered that there was.

We then went to the "Seres" railroad station and there even I found work as a water boy, carrying water to the workers at the rock quarry, at fifty cents per day.

The camp where we lived was composed of some 15 houses made of sheet metal and owned by the railroad company. On pay day, every 15 days, some salesmen would come from nearby towns to sell their tidbits, candies, watermelons, peanuts, etc. There were singers with their guitars, cock fights, races and all kinds of betting. The crew of workers to whom I carried water selected me to run in some races against other water boys my age. I was a kid of about 10 or 11 years and the distance was of about 200 or more feet. Well, fortunately, I won the first race and was given 75 cents by those who bet in my favor. In those days that was a lot of money, more than a day's pay. I was so happy I ran home and they told me later that after I left, some more of my sympathizers were looking for me to give me more money. After a short period of time there was no more work there so we went from there to Monterrey, Nuevo Leon.

In Monterrey my grandmother found work as a cook in a house of a well established family. It was the Morales family and there were seven in the family: Doña Petra, the mother, and three men and three young ladies. My grandmother asked them if my uncle

Sóstenes and I could also stay there. We provided a service to them by doing various things in exchange for our room and board.

We earned the congeniality of that family because my uncle Sóstenes and I would entertain them with folkloric dances of the Tecos of Zacatecas. They would invite their friends and on warm summer nights on the patio of their house they would call for me to dance while uncle Sóstenes played for me with a harmonica. The family became interested in my going to school and to Christian doctrine classes at the Catholic church.

Don Carlos, one of Mrs. Morales' sons, was administrator of the print shop for the "Renacimiento" (Rebirth), a weekly: official publication of the Anti-reelection Party for the state of Nuevo León. He gave me a job there as a janitor.

Later on he put me to work in the correspondence department and there I learned a little about print shop work, as it was in that era. In 1910 I was already working in the printing shop of "El Republicano" (The Republican), a daily that favored Madero. There I met Don Francisco I. Madero, who later became Chief of the Revolutionary Movement in Mexico. That year I saw the beginning of the Revolution led by Madero and on May 21, 1911, the President of Mexico, General Porfirio Díaz sailed away to France and on the 21<sup>st</sup> of May of that year we came to the State of Texas.

By this date, the ravages of the Revolution had caused great losses for both sides in the towns of Casas Grandes, Ciudad Juarez, Jimenes, Chihuahua, and Cananea, Sonora. The fighting was now approaching the state of Nuevo León. Concern grew not only in the cities but also among the farmers, because of the bad conduct of the revolutionaries who would use their weapons to ramsack the ranches and homes.

If I may go back two years I would like to recount the painful hours of the flood of the San Luisito River of Monterrey in August of 1909. I said painful but it also holds precious memories of our God, because He spared us from drowning. On that date the rains fell in unceasing torrents; the heaven's waterfalls opened up and the river-bed gave way, dragging quantities of houses that were located adjacent to the river. In these houses there were people who were sound asleep. It must have been around midnight when men carrying lighted lamps passed in front of the houses hollering "Get up – because the flood is coming". One of the men was José Almanza and he went and woke us up because he and our family lived in the same neighborhood on the north side of the river. Many people got up but others didn't believe it so they were swept away, house and all. Through the dark night we noticed that the water from the river was entering one of the lower level lateral streets and right there we all hurriedly formed a line, holding hands and to the cries of "don't turn loose", we crossed the street with the flood in full force. José Almanza, because of being busy waking up people, remained isolated and he and others couldn't get out. They climbed on the roofs of the taller brick houses and the next morning we could see them from a distance waving their hands at us. By the third day they were able to get out of there almost starving of hunger. Our house was not swept away by the water because there were no currents there; but it did get half full of sand. The door was like a window. We were left without clothes and without food

provisions. Finally, the welfare institutions provided food and a few clothes. If it were not for God, I would not be recounting this. Nor would you have known this. Just like He saved me that time, He has saved me from other perils of life. That's why I consider them as pleasant remembrances in my memoirs.

Well, yes, God allowed us to cross to the north of the Rio Bravo, in that epoch of dangers and anxiety. My uncle Amado, father in law of José Almanza, was already residing here in Del Valle, Texas and after the inundation of Monterrey, he brought José Almanza over to the state of Texas.

It was in May of 1911 when the father of Leroy Shuberg (later my insurance agent) loaned my uncle Amado some money to bring us over from Monterrey. Once here under a different environment, I attended school in English. The occupation here for the Mexicans, who did not know English, was farming. In 1912 we went to live in a cotton plantation of 1,000 acres at Del Valle, Texas; there were many Mexican families there and a school where I continued studying English.

In 1914 a Methodist preacher by the name of Arnulfo M. López came into the area. This brother asked permission to organize a Sunday School in the public school house. That same year of 1914 we moved to San Antonio, Texas thinking that we might have better opportunities there for obtaining work among the Mexican people of that city. I soon found work digging drainage ditches until one day I sought employment at the printing office for "El Regidor" (The Magistrate), a weekly paper of Carranza inclinations. It was precisely during the time when the revolution in Mexico had extended throughout the entire Republic. Since I had previously done that kind of work, they asked me what specifically it was that I could do. After I told them where and what I had done in the printing business, I started working there earning \$6.00 a week. Unfortunately, I was more used to working outdoors. Therefore, the inside work caused me to get sick so we had to return to work in the fields at Del Valle. We returned to the same place where we had been before and then I got well from my illness.

I continued visiting the Sunday School and while studying I became aware that the protestants were not like I previously believed. I used to believe that the Protestants were enemies of religion. I had attended the Roman Catholic Church in Monterrey and in San Antonio. In La Blanca I had even been an acolyte (priest's assistant). I also had attended Christian doctrine classes in Monterrey. I had heard that the Protestants and the Masons were heretics; but here in Del Valle my faith changed. And in a revival campaign held by the Methodists in August of 1917 I accepted Jesus Christ as my one and only personal Savior. There was a temporary period when my father and my grandmother became disgusted with me for leaving the Catholic Church but in time they got used to the idea and accepted it.

I continued attending the Methodist services and noted that also attending there was the Garza family, members of the Baptist church (they attended there because there was no Spanish speaking Baptist church in the area). In this family there was a young lady by the name of Antonia Garza and after we became acquainted we became sweethearts and

on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of December of 1919 we were married by the Rev. Paul Bell, a Baptist preacher and pastor. (Rev. Bell was a professor at a Baptist Institute in Bastrop, Texas which is not far from Del Valle.)

Our first son, Arturito, was born on the 10<sup>th</sup> of October of 1920. He died of meningitis in August of 1923.

We came to live here in Austin in December of 1921. My job was in construction work as a laborer. In those days in that kind of work they paid \$2.00 per day or \$12.00 per week. We made out all right in a humble manner because at that time the rent and the food and the clothes were very inexpensive. I continued attending night classes at John T. Allen High School to study English. I met a friend there who was working in a store owned by a Jewish family and he told me about another store where they needed an employee. I went there and applied for a job and they told me they would try me out on Saturdays, since Saturdays were the busiest days. Finally they gave me full time work at \$10.00 per week. My boss was Abraham Schwartz. Here, even though it might rain, I wouldn't be out of work like it happened when I worked outside on the construction jobs.

In 1923 I started working in the kitchen of a hotel and I learned to be a cook. I worked at The Driskell Hotel and at The Austin Hotel. In April of 1928 we went to San Antonio to see the annual "Battle of Flowers" parade and while there I learned that the Pullman Company needed cooks who were Mexican citizens for the train run between San Antonio and Mexico City.

At that time I had not yet become an American citizen so I went and put in my application for a job at the Pullman Company. They accepted my application but they said I also had to present three recommendations from the places where I had worked the last five years. When I returned to Austin I went to see the manager of The Driskell Hotel and he immediately remarked, "I know what you are here for". "A representative of the Pullman Company came by to see me and told me you had applied for a job with that company and that they needed recommendations on your behalf, so I already gave him one". He asked me why I wanted to leave the job at the hotel. I told him I was a little tired of hotel work and wanted to try something else. He said I would soon get tired of working on the train with the Pullman Company, but whenever I desired to come back, to come in and talk to him. I took two more recommendations but they informed me at the Pullman Company that the recommendation from the hotel manager was sufficient for me to get the job.

I only worked in that job for three months since my wife lived in fear because the newspapers had stories about train hold ups and assaults by bad men and she wasn't too happy every time I went out. Then I contracted an illness that gave me the hiccups for nine straight days so I quit and I did not return to Mexico after that. (The Driskell Hotel took me back as a cook again.)

In 1935 I left kitchen work and returned to work in the stores owned by the Jewish family, where I had previously worked. I remained there until 1946. In 1946 I tried to

become independent by starting my own business consisting of a small neighborhood grocery store which I kept until 1963, the year my wife died.

When we moved from Del Valle into the City of Austin we continued attending church, sometimes the Presbyterian and sometimes the Baptist, until 1923 when the Mexican Methodist Church was reorganized in Austin and since that date I have collaborated with that church. During the 1930s I would travel to Elgin, Texas to take charge of the services (a Spanish speaking Methodist Mission) on two Sundays of each month. By then I had a Chevrolet automobile. I was licensed as a Methodist preacher in 1933 and I renewed that license each year until 1970. In 1975 the church presented me with a pin for my coat lapel honoring me for 40 years of service as a Sunday School Teacher. I also served for 30 years as a tenor in the church choir. I had to quit because of poor eyesight.

From 1935 on there was a period of time when I became involved in secular societies, the Masons, the Woodmen of the World, the Mexican Benevolent Society, the Confederation of Mexican Workers, the Mexican Patriotic Committee which put on the Mexican Independence Day festivities; also the Honorary Commission and "The Pan American Center". This latter organization in 1971 upon celebrating its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary, at an event held at Zavala School, presented me with a bronze plaque for the services I rendered to the organization since its founding. On this occasion they called me to arrange for the presentation at the previously mentioned special program for the occasion; but since I was in Dallas with my son, Daniel, at the time, my other son, Arthur, Jr., went and took my place and received the honorable plaque from the hands of United States Congressman Jake J. Pickle.

I served as an executive board officer in almost all of the above organizations either as president, secretary, treasurer or other post. The inscription on the plaque I received reads as follows:

"PAN-AM ADVISORY BOARD  
25<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY RECIPIENT  
OUTSTANDING BOARD MEMBER  
1946 – 1971  
ARTURO L. ALEMAN"

Another prize:

Way back in the years of the 1930s at Zaragoza Park, upon celebration of a 4<sup>th</sup> of July festivities, there were ball games, swimming races, wrestling events, and other types of competition and races; in the running races they had events for the young people as well as for adults; for the children they had races of kangaroo leaping; with the feet tied by a rope or while inside of an empty 100 lb bean sack. In the adult races, for those 30 to 40 years of age, I entered along with five others about the same age. The distance was about half a block long and on this occasion I won again and received as a prize a cigarette lighter; but since I didn't use it, I sold it.

The years have passed on. My children: Arthur, Jr., Samuel, Daniel, Moses and Eunice are all married. Some of them play the piano, guitar, violin, accordion, mandolin, flute and in my case I play a little on the violin and the accordion. Whenever we get together we enjoy ourselves playing and singing. When I was a young man I used to play for dances out on the ranches and farms. My father, who migrated to the United States in 1916, would accompany me on the guitar. They would pay us \$6.00 for the two of us for a four hour dance. My father and his family returned to Mexico in 1931.

I had dedicated myself to the grocery business since 1946; but then came the fateful year of 1963, when my wife, Antonia, suffered an illness which was soon diagnosed as a malignant brain tumor. The doctors said it was a terminal situation and she passed away on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of September of 1963.

After my wife died, I saw that it was too difficult for me to continue in my business alone since my wife was the only one who would take care of the store for me when I went out to the grocery warehouses to buy provisions for the store. I did not have any other employees and decided it would be best to sell everything. I even sold another house that we owned on Holly Street.

I only remained ten years without a companion because God did not want me to be alone longer. Among the people who attended our church I met a lady who moved here from Tampico, Mexico and used to accompany John and Herlinda Almanza to church. We began to know each other and I found in her some virtues worthy of making her a good wife. Then one day I decided to express my affection for her and since she also was widowed she answered me affirmatively. After continuing a period of friendly relations, I made propositions of matrimony to her and we made plans and then became married by the Rev. Josué González on the 11<sup>th</sup> of August of 1973.

The name of my second wife was María de Jesús M. Lozano. Now her name is María M. Alemán. She is a very good and lovable wife. We have been living well, thanks to God. Illnesses: I have been in the hospital only twice for surgical operations of the hernia. I have managed other minor illnesses at home.

(Mr. Arturo L. Alemán had completed his memoirs up to this point in late 1976 or early 1977 when illnesses prohibited the continuation of his writings. He died on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of November of 1977 in the city of Austin, Texas at the age of 80 years, 10 months and 16 days. It is interesting to note that upon beginning his memoirs more than two years before his death, Mr. Alemán began with the Biblical text of Psalms 90:10 which states that "Seventy years are given us! And some may even live to eighty..." He died when he was 80 years of age.)



**THE FOLLOWING FINAL PARAGRAPHS OF THE  
MEMOIRS OF ARTURO L. ALEMAN WERE WRITTEN  
BY HIS SON, MOSES A. ALEMAN:**

Following the death of the first child, Arturito, in 1923, mother gave birth to another son on October 6, 1924 and he also was named Arturo, in honor of the first child and also as a junior. Then came Samuel on October 11, 1925 followed by Daniel on January 14, 1927. I was next on January 16, 1931 and the last of the family was Eunice, born September 14, 1935. Mom and Dad were overjoyed with Eunice because they finally had a girl after having five boys in a row.

As dad mentioned in his writings, we are all married and all have children. Dad lived to see all of his 17 grandchildren, whereas mom only saw 13 of their grand kids before she died in 1963.

During the four years that papa Arturo lived with his second wife, Mariquita, they enjoyed a very good relationship. They both felt comfortable and happy, and in no way did they suffer of any necessities. Mariquita, as we were accustomed to call her, was a resident alien in the United States with Mexican citizenship when she married my father but in due time she filled out the necessary papers to obtain U.S. citizenship.

My father had become a citizen of the United States in 1948 and my mother obtained her U.S. citizenship in 1951.

The genealogical charts attached to these memoirs reflect the descendants of the Arturo L. Alemán family beginning with his ancestors as far back as I am aware of and then continuing with his descendants up to the present date.

I am going to depend on my children, my grandchildren and future generations to keep the charts up to date so that all subsequent generations of the Arturo L. Alemán descendants can enjoy the benefit of having knowledge of their relatives and of the family history.

Moses A. Alemán  
Fairfax, Virginia  
July 18, 1981  
(Genealogy Charts updated  
on February 22, 2010)

**ADDENDUM**

In 2009 the Austin History Center sponsored a project to seek nominations of Mexican Americans who lived in Austin and Travis County and were the first to blaze a trail within their respective communities in the areas of the Arts, Business, Education, Humanities, Media, Politics, Public Health, Public Service and Sports.

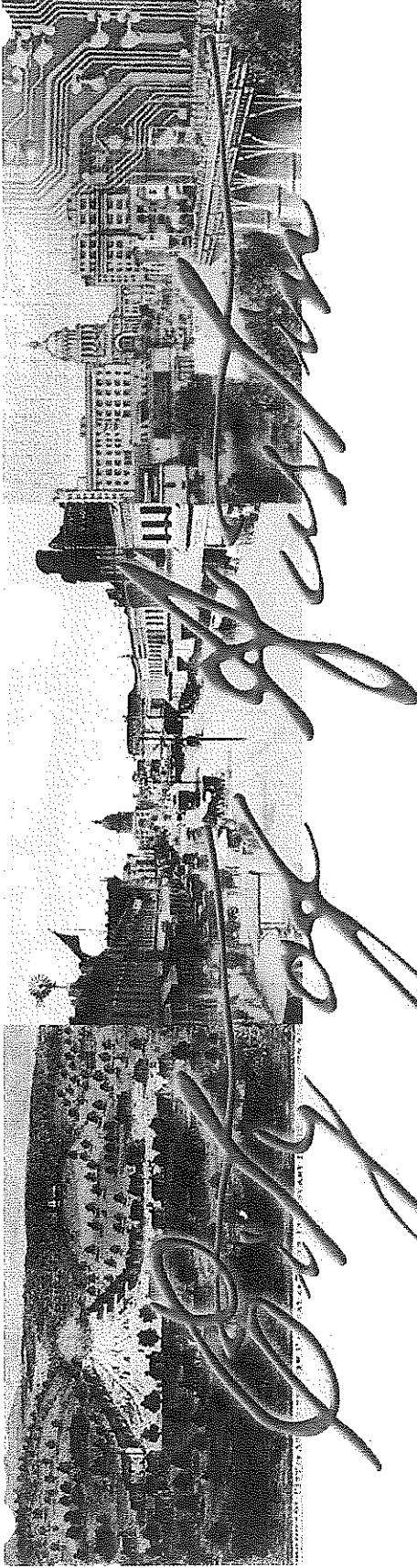
Mr. Arturo L. Alemán's son, Moses submitted a nomination form nominating his father for selection in the area of Public Service and submitted documentation and evidences of significant accomplishments by his dad within the Mexican American community. The evidence submitted described accomplishments and/or contributions of Arturo L. Alemán of enduring value or historical significance and demonstrated Mr. Alemán's character and personal qualities as unique.

The Austin History Center's Selection Committee selected Arturo L. Alemán as one of 32 extraordinary individuals who lived in Austin and Travis County and were the first to blaze a trail within their community in the previously mentioned areas. Accordingly, on August 21, 2010 the City of Austin Distinguished Service Award was presented to the family of Arturo L. Alemán, in his behalf, for having been selected as a Mexican American Trailblazer in Public Service. A copy of this Award, which describes some of the reasons Mr. Alemán is deserving of public acclaim and recognition, is attached to these memoirs.

### **PREVIOUS RECOGNITION**

Mr. Arturo L. Alemán and his family had been previously recognized by the City of Austin. On September 27, 2003 at the annual "Old Neighborhood Reunion", held at Zaragoza Park, Austin Mayor Will Wynn proclaimed that day as ALEMAN FAMILY DAY in Austin, along with four other Mexican American families, who settled, worked and dedicated their lives, times and energies to raising their families in a safe environment, forming the foundation of the city's history and establishing family cultural values for generations to come.

The Certificate of Congratulations presented to the Alemán family states that Mr. Arturo L. Alemán left his family a legacy of love, of hand-written memoirs and an example for his growing extended family with which they could pattern their own lives. This Certificate is also attached to Arturo L. Alemán's memoirs.



## *Distinguished Service Award*

For having been selected as a Mexican American Trailblazer in Public Service,

*Laura Lopez Aleman*

is deserving of public acclaim and recognition. Mr. Aleman was a grocery store owner who became involved in civic and community affairs in 1925. He was an active layman in the Mexican Methodist Church of Austin and became licensed as a Methodist lay preacher in 1933. He also wrote a book about the history of the Methodist church for the Mexican American community in Austin. We are pleased to recognize him – along with 31 other extraordinary individuals – who are being featured in a major Austin History Center exhibit entitled, *Mexican American Firsts: Trailblazers of Austin and Travis County*. This certificate is presented in appreciation of his innovative efforts this 21<sup>st</sup> Day of August in the Year Two Thousand Ten.



*The City Council of Austin, Texas*

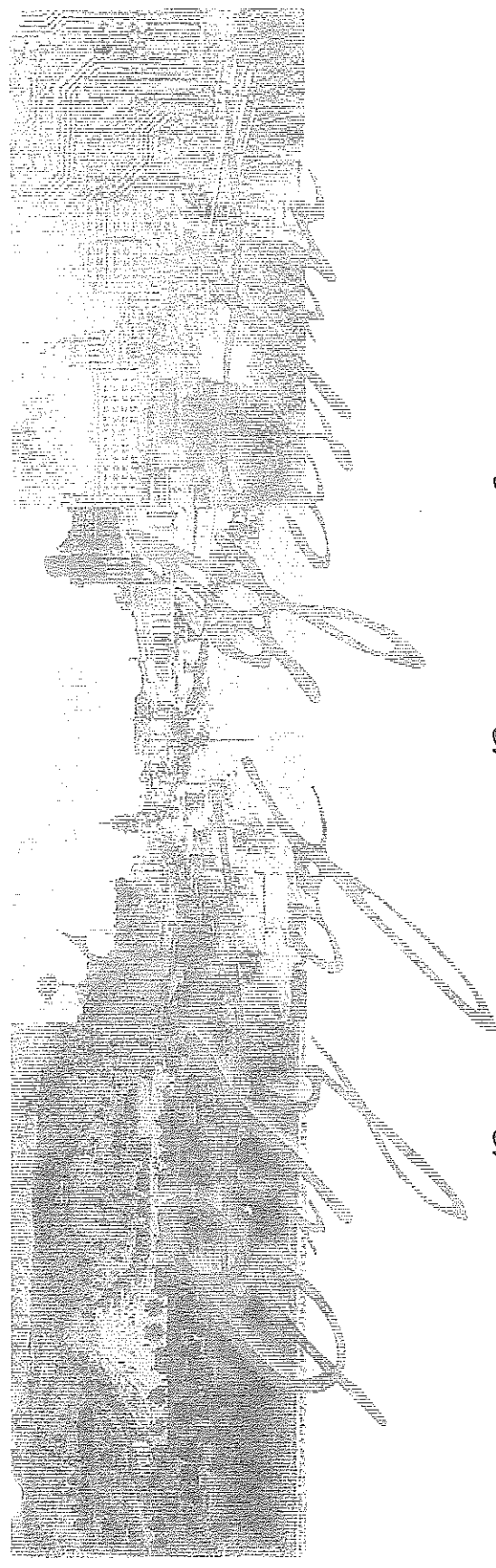
*Lee Jeffingwell*

Mayor Lee Jeffingwell

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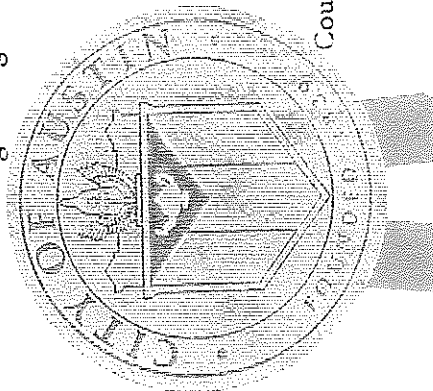


## *Certificate of Congratulation*

For having been selected for special recognition by The Old Neighborhood Reunion Committee,

*The Arturo R. Aleman Family*

is deserving of public acclaim and recognition. Arturo Aleman and Antonia Garza met and married in the Austin area in 1919. They had six children, four of whom are still living. Arturo worked a variety of jobs, including running his own neighborhood grocery store. He also served as a lay preacher, with Antonia by his side teaching Sunday School. Although Arturo did not have a formal education, he was a very learned man and a self-taught musician and singer. He also was very active in civic and community affairs. He left his family a legacy of love, of hand-written memoirs and an example for his growing extended family to pattern their own lives after. We're pleased to honor this fine man and his family. Presented this 27<sup>th</sup> Day of September in the Year Two Thousand Three.



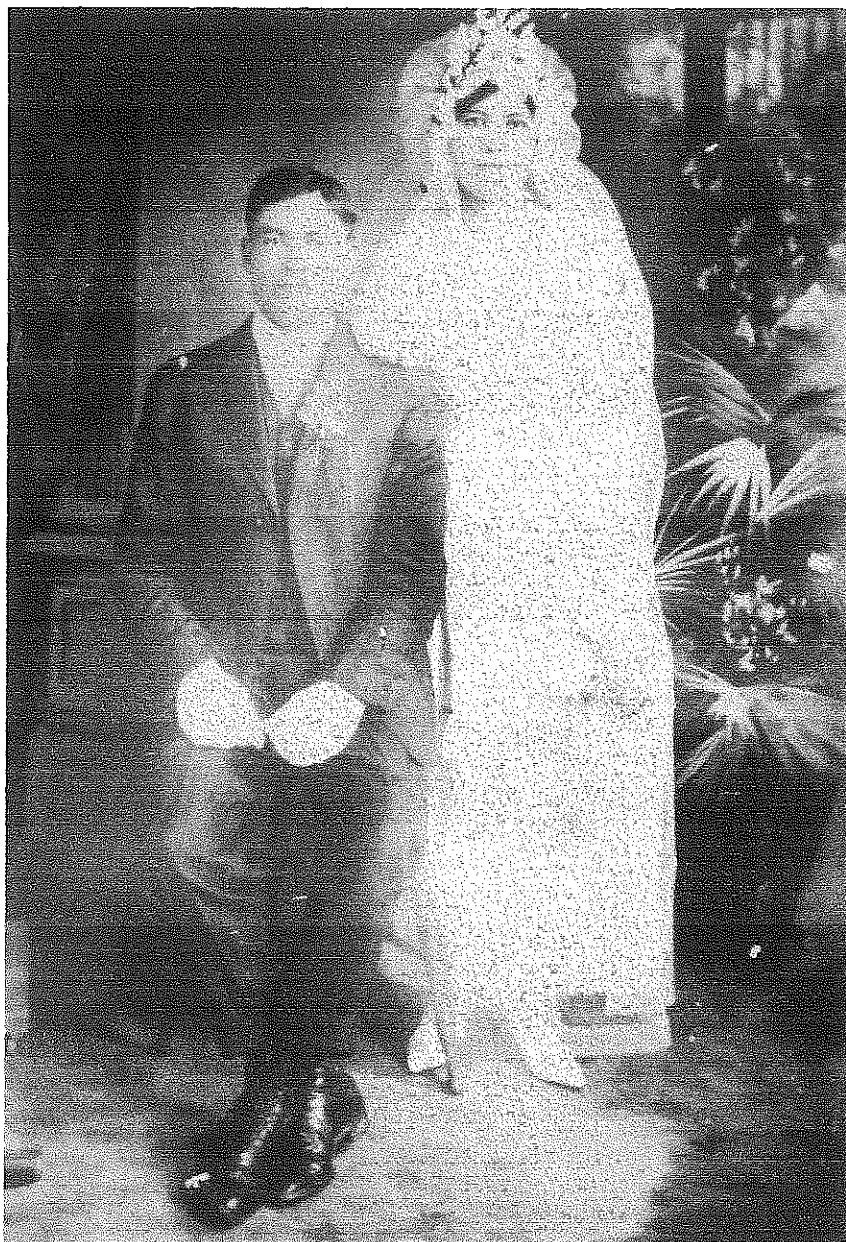
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ARTURO L. AND ANTONIA G. ALEMÁN  
DECEMBER 27, 1919



ARTURO L. AND ANTONIA G. ALEMÁN  
25th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY  
DECEMBER 27, 1944





ARTURO AND ANTONIA ALEMAN AND THEIR 5 CHILDREN  
MOSES, SAMUEL, EUNICE, DANIEL AND ARTHUR (AUSTIN, TX 1948)



ARTURO L. ALEMAN, 1940s



ARTURO AND ANTONIA ALEMAN  
AUSTIN, TX 1945

TRIPPLICATE

(To be given to declarant when originally issued; to be made a part of the petition for naturalization when petition is filed; and to be retained as a part of the petition in the records of the court)

# UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

## DECLARATION OF INTENTION

(Invalid for all purposes seven years after the date hereof)

No. 1420

United States of America

In the United States District Court

Western District of Texas

of West Dist. of Texas Austin, Texas

- (1) My full, true, and correct name is Arturo Lopez Aleman (Full, true name, without abbreviation, and any other name which has been used, must appear here)
- (2) My present place of residence is 1112 E. 3rd Austin Travis Texas (Number and street) (City or town) (County) (State)
- (3) My occupation is Clerk (4) I am 45 years old. (5) I was born on Jan. 7, 1897 (Month) (Day) (Year)
- in La Blanca, Tams. Mexico (City or town) (County) (State) (Country) (6) My personal description is as follows: Sex male
- color white, complexion dark, color of eyes brown, color of hair black height 5 feet 9 inches, weight 150 pounds,
- visible distinctive marks None race White, present nationality Mexico
- (7) I am married; the name of my wife or husband is Antonia Garza De Aleman; we were married on Dec. 27, 1919 (Month) (Day) (Year)
- at Austin, Texas (City or town) (County) (State) (Country) (8) or she was born at Villa Guentex, Coah. Mexico (City or town) (County) (State) (Country)
- on April 25, 1903 (Month) (Day) (Year) and entered the United States at Eagle Pass, Texas (City or town) (County) (State) (Country)
- on July 4, 1905 (Month) (Day) (Year) for permanent residence in the United States, and now resides at Austin, Texas (City or town) (County) (State) (Country)
- (8) I have 5 children; and the name, sex, date and place of birth, and present place of residence of each of said children who is living, are as follows:
- Arturo, male, b. 10/6/24 at Austin, now in U.S. Navy; Samuel, male, b. 10/11/25 at Austin, Texas, now with U.S. Navy; Daniel, male, b. 1/14/27, now with U.S. Navy; M. Aaron, male, b. 1/16/31 in Austin, Texas, now residing at 1112 E. 3rd Austin, Texas; Eunice, female, b. 9/14/35 in Austin, Texas and now residing in Austin, Texas. Montez, N. L. Mexico (10) I emigrated to the United States from
- (9) My last place of foreign residence was Monterrey Mexico (City or town) (County) (State) (Country) (11) My lawful entry for permanent residence in the United States was
- at Laredo, Texas (City or town) (County) (State) (Country) under the name of Arturo Aleman
- on May 21, 1911 (Month) (Day) (Year), on the N. R. R. de Mexico (Name of vessel or other means of conveyance)
- (12) Since my lawful entry for permanent residence I have not been absent from the United States, for a period or periods of 6 months or longer, as follows:

DEPARTED FROM THE UNITED STATES			RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES		
PORT	DATE (Month, day, year)	VESSEL OR OTHER MEANS OF CONVEYANCE	PORT	DATE (Month, day, year)	VESSEL OR OTHER MEANS OF CONVEYANCE

(13) I have not heretofore made declaration of intention: No. \_\_\_\_\_, on \_\_\_\_\_ (Month) (Day) (Year) at \_\_\_\_\_ (City or town) \_\_\_\_\_ (County) \_\_\_\_\_ (State) \_\_\_\_\_ (Name of court)

(14) It is my intention in good faith to become a citizen of the United States and to reside permanently therein. (15) I will, before being admitted to citizenship, renounce absolutely and forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty of whom or which at the time of admission to citizenship I may be a subject or citizen. (16) I am not an anarchist; nor a believer in the unlawful damage, injury, or destruction of property, or sabotage; nor a disbeliever in or opposed to organized government; nor a member of or affiliated with any organization or body of persons teaching disbelief in or opposition to organized government. (17) I certify that the photograph affixed to the duplicate and triplicate hereof is a likeness of me and was signed by me. I do swear (affirm) that the statements I have made and the intentions I have expressed in this declaration of intention subscribed by me are true to the best of my knowledge and belief: SO HELP ME GOD.



Arturo Lopez Aleman

Arturo L. Aleman

(Original and true signature of declarant without abbreviation, also other name if used)

Subscribed and sworn to (affirmed) before me in the form of oath shown above in the office of the Clerk of said Court, at Austin, Texas this 24th day of March, anno Domini 1945 I hereby certify that Certification No. 17 22573 from the Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization, showing the lawful entry for permanent residence of the declarant above named on the date stated in this declaration of intention, has been received by me, and that the photograph affixed to the duplicate and triplicate hereof is a likeness of the declarant.

[SEAL]

Maxey Hart

Clerk of the U. S. District Court. By Leah M. Hart Deputy Clerk.

Form N-315

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE  
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Clerk of Court)

# UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No. 1029

## PETITION FOR NATURALIZATION

[Under General Provisions of the Nationality Act of 1940 (Public No. 853, 76th Cong.)]

To the Honorable the U. S. District Court of Western Dist. of Texas at Austin, Texas

This petition for naturalization, hereby made and filed, respectfully sheweth:

(1) My full, true, and correct name is Arturo Lopez Aleman  
(2) My present place of residence is 1015 E. 3rd, Austin, Travis, Texas (3) My occupation is Merchant  
(4) I am 50 years old. (5) I was born on January 7, 1897 in La Blanca, Zacatecas, Mexico  
(6) My personal description is as follows: Sex male, color White, complexion dark, color of eyes brown, color of hair black  
height 5 feet 9 inches, weight 155 pounds, visible distinctive marks none, race white  
present nationality Mexico (7) I am unmarried; the name of my wife or husband is Antonia Garza de Aleman  
we were married on December 27, 1919 at Delvalle, Texas  
he or she was born at Villa Fuentes, Coah., Mexico on April 28, 1903  
and entered the United States at Eagle Pass, Texas on July 4, 1906 for permanent residence in the United States  
and now resides at 1015 E. 3rd, Austin, Texas and was naturalized on Month Day Year  
at Month Day Year certificate No.       ; or became a citizen by         
(8) I have live children; and the name, sex, date and place of birth, and present place of residence of each of said children who is living, are as follows:  
Arthur, m.b. 10-6-24; Samuel, m.b. 10-11-25; Daniel, m.b. 1-14-27; Aaron, m.b. 1-16-31; Eunice,  
f.b. 9-14-35; all born in and now reside in Austin, Texas.

(9) My last place of foreign residence was Monterrey, N. L., Mexico (10) I emigrated to the United States from  
Monterrey, Mexico  
at Laredo, Texas under the name of Arturo Aleman  
on May 21, 1911 on the N. R. R. de Mexico  
as shown by the certificate of my arrival attached to this petition.  
(12) Since my lawful entry for permanent residence I have not been absent from the United States, for a period or periods of 6 months or longer, as follows:

DEPARTED FROM THE UNITED STATES			RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES		
PORT	DATE (Month, day, year)	VESSEL OR OTHER MEANS OF CONVEYANCE	PORT	DATE (Month, day, year)	VESSEL OR OTHER MEANS OF CONVEYANCE

(13) I declared my intention to become a citizen of the United States on March 24, 1945 in the U. S. District  
Court of Western Dist. of Texas at Austin, Texas (14) It is my intention in good faith to become a

citizen of the United States and to renounce absolutely and forever all allegiances and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, State, or sovereignty of whom or which at  
this time I am a subject or citizen, and it is my intention to reside permanently in the United States. (15) I am not, and have not been for the period of at least 10 years  
immediately preceding the date of this petition, an anarchist; nor a believer in the unlawful damage, injury, or destruction of property, or sabotage; nor a disbeliever in  
or opposed to organized government; nor a member of or affiliated with any organization or body of persons teaching disbelief in or opposition to organized government.  
(16) I am able to speak the English language (unless physically unable to do so). (17) I am, and have been during all of the periods required by law, attached to the  
principles of the Constitution of the United States and well disposed to the good order and happiness of the United States. (18) I have resided continuously in the

United States of America for the term of 5 years at least immediately preceding the date of this petition, to wit, since May 21, 1911  
and continuously in the State in which this petition is made for the term of 6 months at least immediately preceding the date of this petition, to wit, since

May 21, 1911 (19) I have not heretofore made petition for naturalization: No.         
On Month Day Year at City or town State in the Name of court  
Court, and such petition was dismissed or denied by that Court for the following reasons and causes, to wit:       

and the cause of such dismissal or denial has since been cured or removed.  
(20) Attached hereto and made a part of this, my petition for naturalization, are my declaration of intention to become a citizen of the United States (if such declara-  
tion of intention be required by the naturalization law), a certificate of arrival from the Immigration and Naturalization Service of my said lawful entry into the United  
States for permanent residence (if such certificate of arrival be required by the naturalization law), and the affidavits of at least two verifying witnesses required by law.

(21) Wherefore, I, your petitioner for naturalization, pray that I may be admitted a citizen of the United States of America, and that my name be changed to no change requested

(22) I, aforesaid petitioner, do swear (affirm) that I know the contents of this petition for naturalization subscribed by me, that the same are true to the best of my own  
knowledge, except as to matters therein stated to be alleged upon information and belief, and that as to those matters I believe them to be true, and that this petition is  
signed by me with my full, true name: SO HELP ME GOD.

AR-2658471

016-19120

Arturo Lopez Aleman  
(Full, true, and correct signature of petitioner, without abbreviation)

# AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

The following witnesses, each being severally, duly, and respectively sworn, depose and say:

My name is Leroy Shuberg, my occupation is Insurance agent  
 I reside at 904 Trinity, Austin, Texas (State)  
 My name is Norberto T. Lopez, my occupation is Merchant  
 I reside at 1201 E. 7th, Austin, Texas (State)  
 I am a citizen of the United States of America; I have personally known and have been acquainted in the United States with Arturo Lopez Aleman  
 the petitioner named in the petition for naturalization of which this affidavit is a part, since Nov. 3, 1942  
 to my personal knowledge the petitioner has resided, immediately preceding the date of filing this petition, in the United States continuously since the date last mentioned,  
 and at Austin in the State of Texas continuously since Nov. 3, 1942 and I have personal  
 knowledge that the petitioner is and during all such periods has been a person of good moral character, attached to the principles of the Constitution of the United States, and  
 well disposed to the good order and happiness of the United States, and in my opinion the petitioner is in every way qualified to be admitted a citizen of the United States.  
 I do swear (affirm) that the statements of fact I have made in this affidavit of this petition for naturalization subscribed by me are true to the best of my knowledge  
 and belief: SO HELP ME GOD

Leroy Shuberg (Signature of witness)  
Norberto T. Lopez (Signature of witness)  
 Subscribed and sworn to before me by the above-named petitioner and witnesses in the respective forms of oath shown in said petition and affidavit in the office of  
 the Clerk of said Court at Austin, Texas this 4th day of November  
 Anno Domini 1947 I hereby certify that Certificate of Arrival No. 17-22573 from the Immigration and Naturalization Service, showing the lawful entry  
 for permanent residence of the petitioner above named, together with Declaration of Intention No. 1420 of such petitioner, has been by me filed with,  
 attached to, and made a part of this petition on this date.

MAXEY HART

Rash Manport  
 Clerk. [Seal]  
 Deputy Clerk.

## OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

I hereby declare, on oath, that I absolutely and entirely renounce and abjure all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty of whom or which I have heretofore been a subject or citizen; that I will support and defend the Constitution and laws of the United States of America against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; and that I take this obligation freely without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion: SO HELP ME GOD. In acknowledgment whereof I have hereunto affixed my signature.

Arturo Lopez Aleman (Signature of petitioner)  
 Sworn to in open court, this 30th day of January, A. D. 1948  
Maxey Hart Clerk.  
Rash Manport Deputy Clerk.

NOTE.—In renunciation of title or order of nobility, add the following to the oath of allegiance before it is signed: "I further renounce the title of (give title or office), which I have heretofore held," or "I further renounce the order of nobility (give the order of nobility) to which I have heretofore belonged."

Petition granted: Line No. 6 of List No. 1 and Certificate No. 6491367 issued.

Petition denied: List No. \_\_\_\_\_

Petition continued from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ Reason \_\_\_\_\_

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TO BE GIVEN TO  
THE PERSON NATURALIZED

No. 6491367

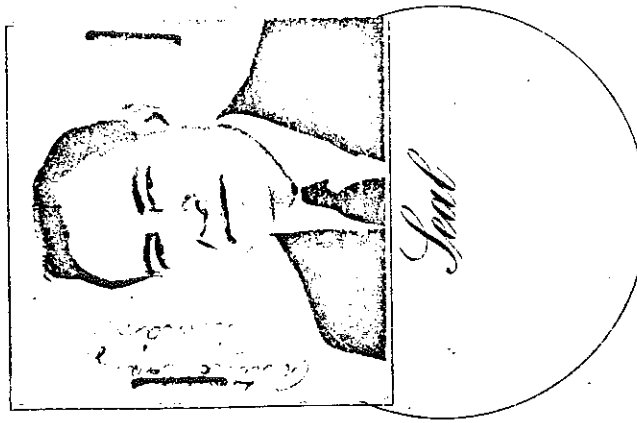
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE



Petition No. 1329

Personal description of holder as of date of naturalization: Age 51 years, sex male,  
complexion dark, color of eyes brown, color of hair black, height 5 feet 9 inches,  
weight 155 pounds, visible distinctive marks none, former nationality Mexico,  
Marital status married.  
I certify that the description above given is true, and that the photograph affixed hereto is a likeness of me.



(Complete and true signature of holder)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA } ss:  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS }

Arturo Lopez Aleman being of the County  
the United States for the Western District of Texas  
held pursuant to law of Austin, Texas  
on January 30th 1948 the Court having found that

then residing at 1015 E. 3rd, Austin, Texas  
intends to reside permanently in the United States (when so required by the  
Naturalization Laws of the United States), had in all other respects complied with  
the applicable provisions of such naturalization laws, and was entitled to be  
admitted to citizenship, thereupon ordered that such person be and (he was  
admitted as a citizen of the United States of America.

In testimony whereof the seal of the court is hereunto affixed this 30th  
day of January in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and  
forty-eight and of our Independence the one hundred  
and seventy-second.

MAXY HART

Clerk of the U. S. District Court.

It is a violation of the U. S. Code (and  
penalties as such) to copy, print, photograph,  
or otherwise illegally use this certificate.

By Maxy Hart, Deputy Clerk.

## The 8th Annual Old Neighborhood Reunion

### Arturo L. Aleman, 1897-1977

Arturo L. Aleman was born on January 7, 1897 in La Blanca, Zacatecas, Mexico to Gregorio Aleman and Florentina Lopez. When his mother died when he was 3 years old, he was raised by his paternal grandmother. Arturo, his grandmother Maria Chairez Aleman, and his uncle Sostenes Aleman migrated to the U.S. on May 21, 1911, and went to live on a 1,000 acre cotton plantation near Del Valle.

Antonia Garza was born on April 25, 1903 near Piedras Negras, Coahuila, Mexico. She migrated to Travis County in 1905 with her parents, Galacion and Eva Garza. Arturo met Antonia in 1914 and they married in 1919.

Arturo attended night classes at John T. Allen School in the early 1920s to learn English. He worked as a construction laborer, hotel cook, Pullman train porter, and clothing salesman.

Arturo had six children: Arturito, who passed away of meningitis, Arturo, Jr., Samuel, Daniel, Moses, and Eunice.

In 1946, Mr. Aleman opened his own neighborhood grocery store at 3<sup>rd</sup> and Medina Streets in Austin.

Arturo was a lay preacher and Antonia served as a Sunday school teacher. He was involved in community affairs such as the Masons, the Woodsmen of the World, the Mexican Benevolent Society, the Confederation of Mexican Workers and the Mexican Patriotic Committee festivities at Zaragoza Park. He was executive board officer in these organizations and was named Outstanding Board Member of Pan American Center, 1946-1971.

Arturo became a naturalized citizen of the U.S. in 1948 and Antonia in 1951. Antonia died in 1963. When Arturo courted her, he wrote her flowery letters and love poems. When she died, Arturo placed all the poems in his beloved wife's casket. Although Arturo did not have a formal education, he was a very learned man. That's why his family has his hand-written memoirs today. He played several musical instruments even though he never studied music and even sang tenor in his church choir.

Arturo died in 1977 at age 80. His five children, 17 grandchildren, 36 great grandchildren and 2 great, great grandchildren praise God for giving them wonderful ancestors and true role models to follow.



Emmanuel Methodist Church

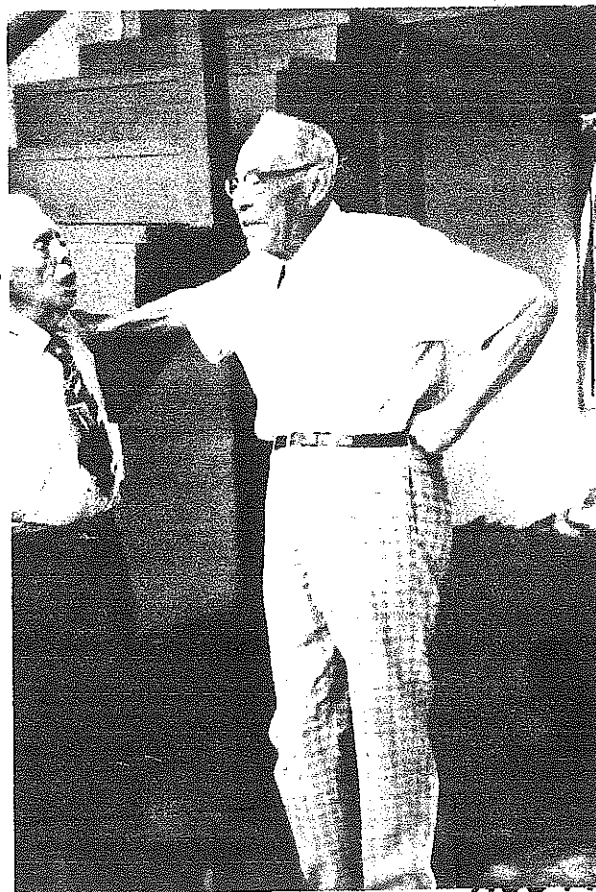
Austin, Texas, 1974  
"Emmanuel"



..La Sra. Cordelia Ruiz, Supte. de la Escuela Dominical, prende el prendedor que merecidamente recibe el Hno. Alemán y, quién expresa palabras de gratitud y agradecimiento a Dios por la oportunidad de servirle.

Como una pequeña demostración de aprecio y gratitud al Hno. Arturo Alemán por 40 años de fidelidad y servicio como Maestro de la Escuela Dominical, el Pastor le presentó un Certificado de Reconocimiento y un prendedor en nombre de toda la Iglesia. El Hno. Alemán ha sido historiador, redactor, oficial, miembro del Coro Mayor, predicador local, reportero, y sigue activo trabajando por el Señor. Gracias a Dios por su vida y ejemplo de dedicación.

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Sóstenes  
Alemán

Arturo L. Alemán 1977

...Mrs. Cordelia Ruiz, Sunday School Superintendent, pins the breast-pin that is worthily received by brother Aleman who expresses words of gratitude and appreciation to God for the opportunity to serve Him.

As a small manifestation of appreciation and gratitude to Bro. Arturo Aleman for 40 years of faithfulness and service as a Sunday School teacher, the Pastor presented him with a Certificate of Recognition and a breast-pin in behalf of the entire church. Bro. Aleman has been historian, official editor, member of the main choir, local preacher, reporter and continues to actively work for the Lord. Thanks to God for his life and example of dedication.

# deaths and services—

**ALEMAN, Arturo L.**, 80, 8361 Night Hawk Court, died Wednesday. Prayer services 7:30 p.m. Thursday at Cook-Walden Funeral Home. Funeral services 2 p.m. Friday at Emmanuel Methodist Church. Survivors: wife, Maria A. Aleman of Austin; sons, Arthur G. Aleman of Austin, Sam G. Aleman of San Benito, the Rev. Daniel G. Aleman of Dallas, Moses A. Aleman of Washington, D.C.; daughter, Eunice A. Gonzales of Austin; 17 grandchildren.

SERVICIO FUNEBRE \* ARTURO L. ALEMAN  
IGLESIA METODISTA EMANUEL, AUSTIN, TEXAS  
NOVIEMBRE 25, 1977

FUNERAL SERVICE  
Emmanuel  
Methodist Church

PRELUDIO

PRELUDE

SOLO DE CANTO = HUMBERTO CANTU

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INVOCATION

LEC. BIBLICA por el Rev. DANIEL ALEMAN

SCRIPTURE READING

HYMNO # 211 " Cuando la Trompeta Suena "

HYMN: "When The Roll  
Is Called Up Yonder"

DATOS BIOGRAFICOS

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

CANTO CORAL

CHORAL SONG

SERMON - Rev. MONTOYA (Pastor)

SERMON

RECESIONAL

RECESSIONAL

POSTLUDIO

POSTLUDE

En el PANTEON

AT THE CEMETERY

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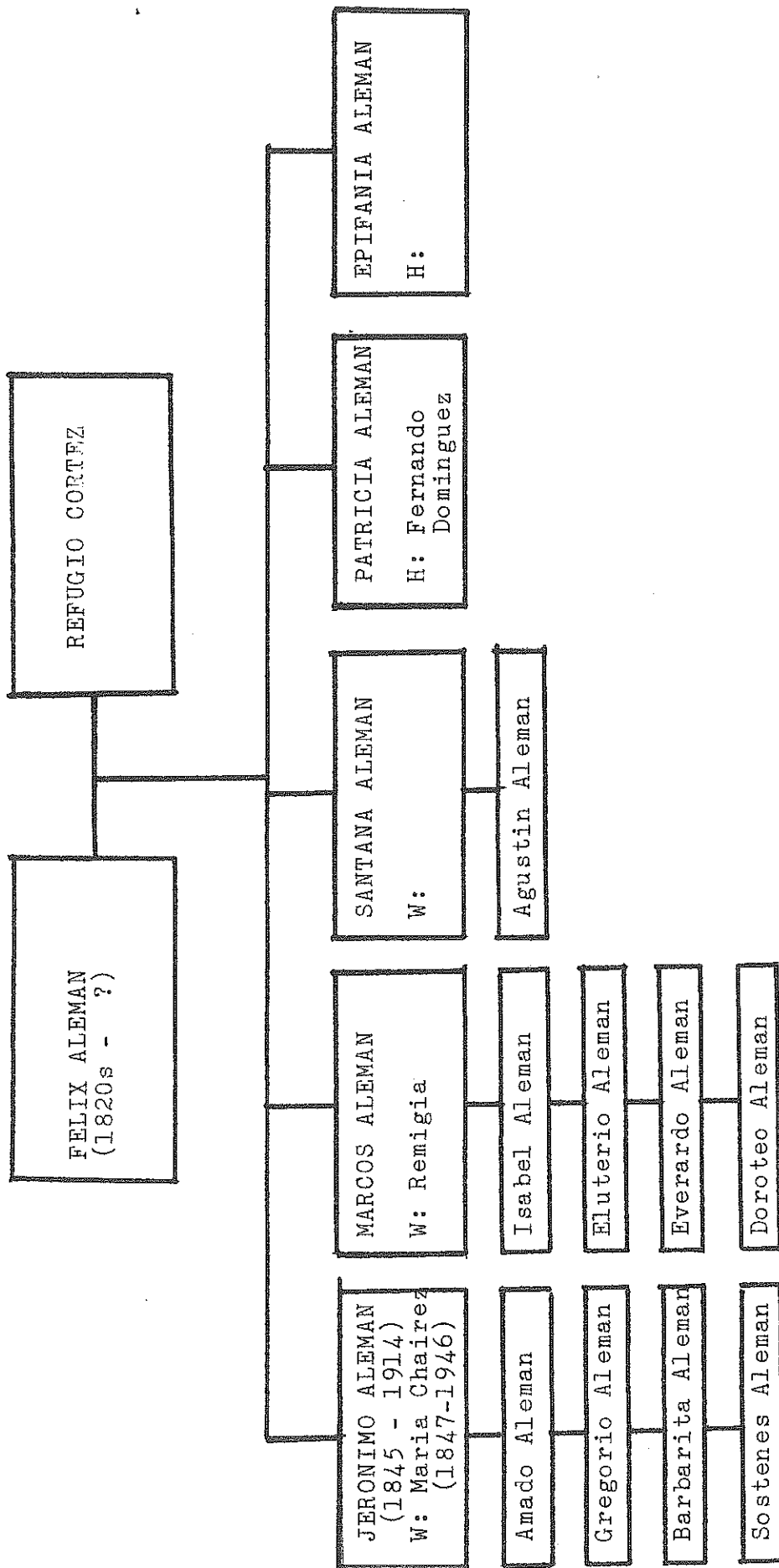
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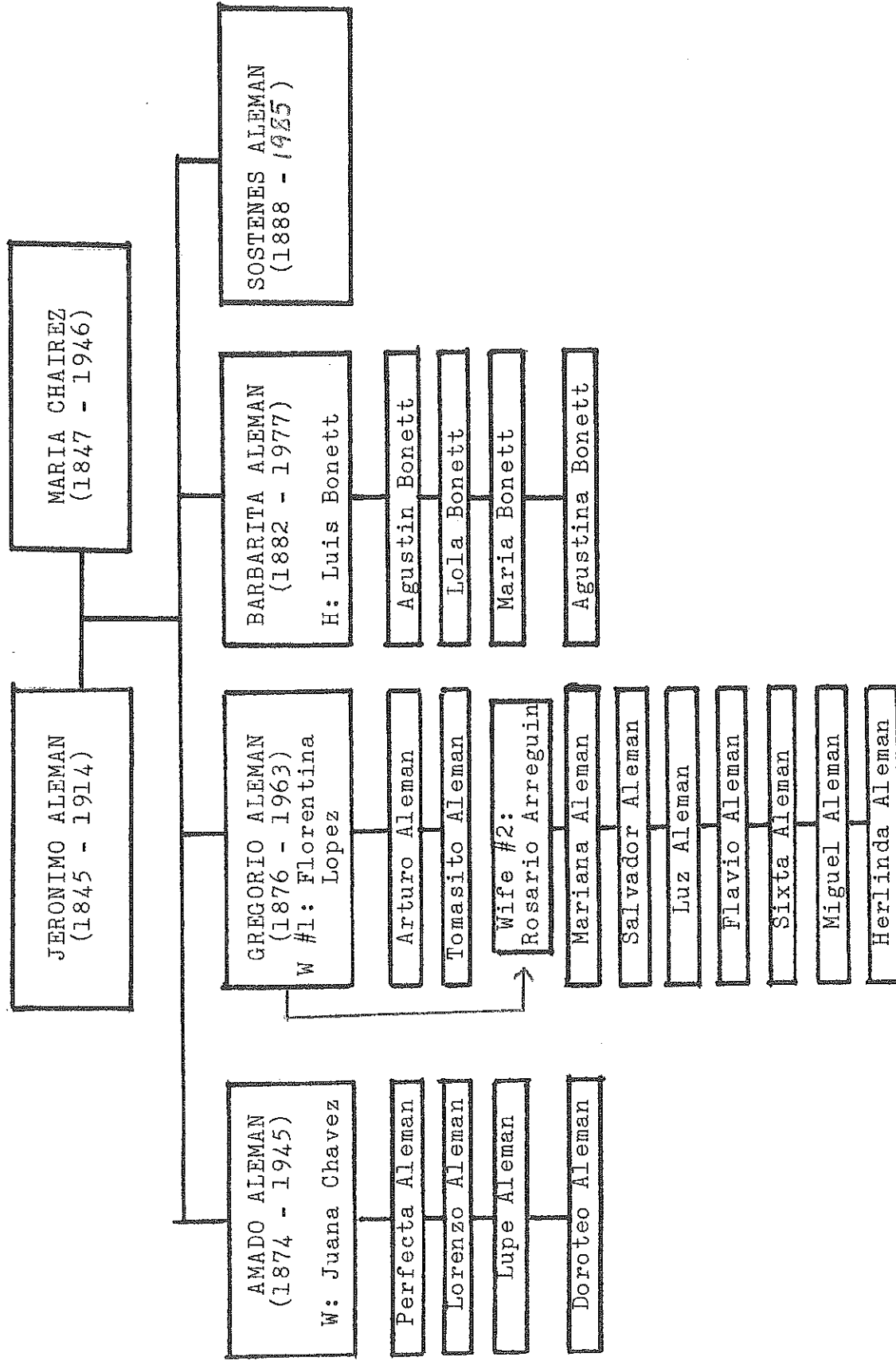
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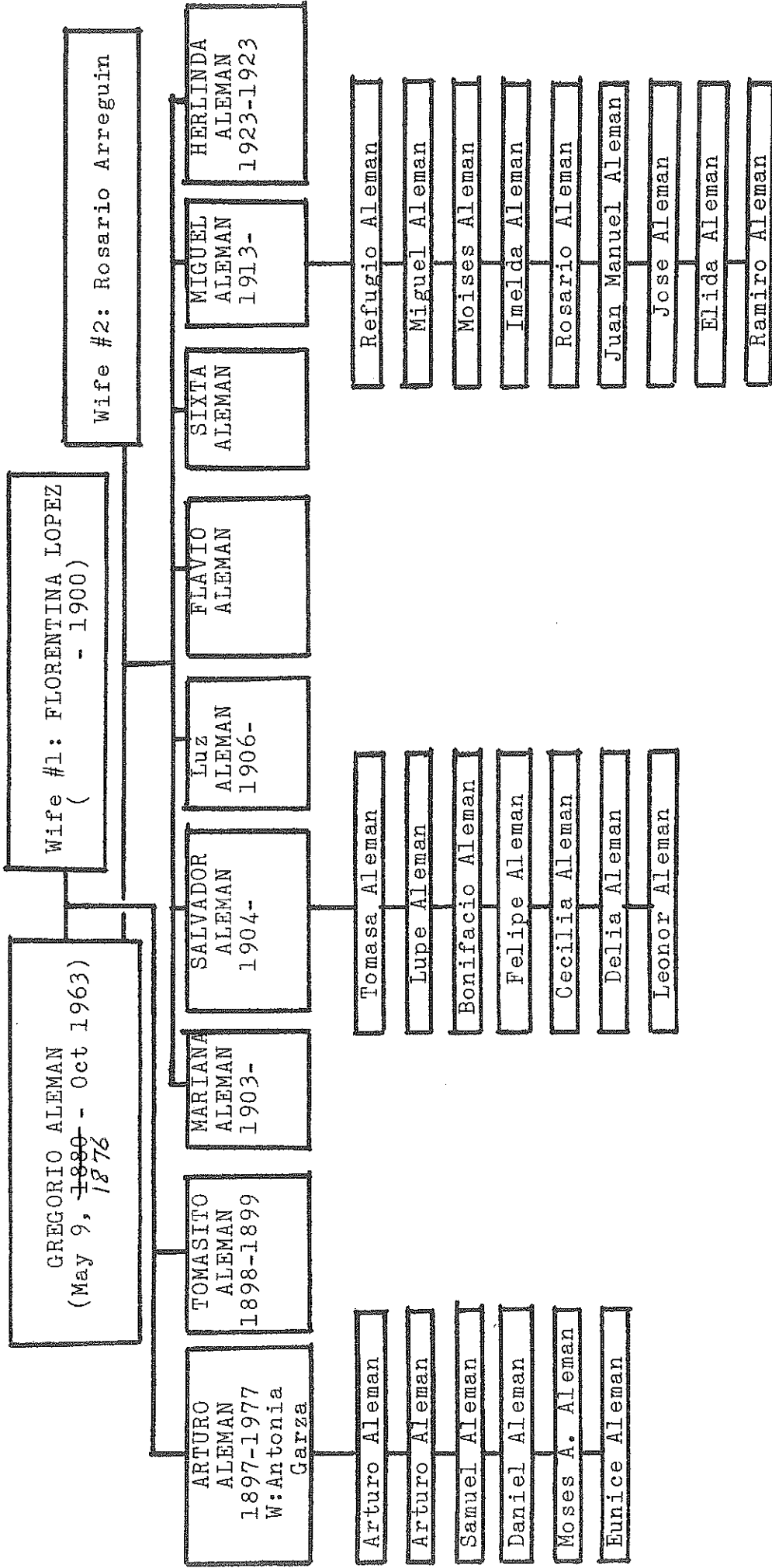
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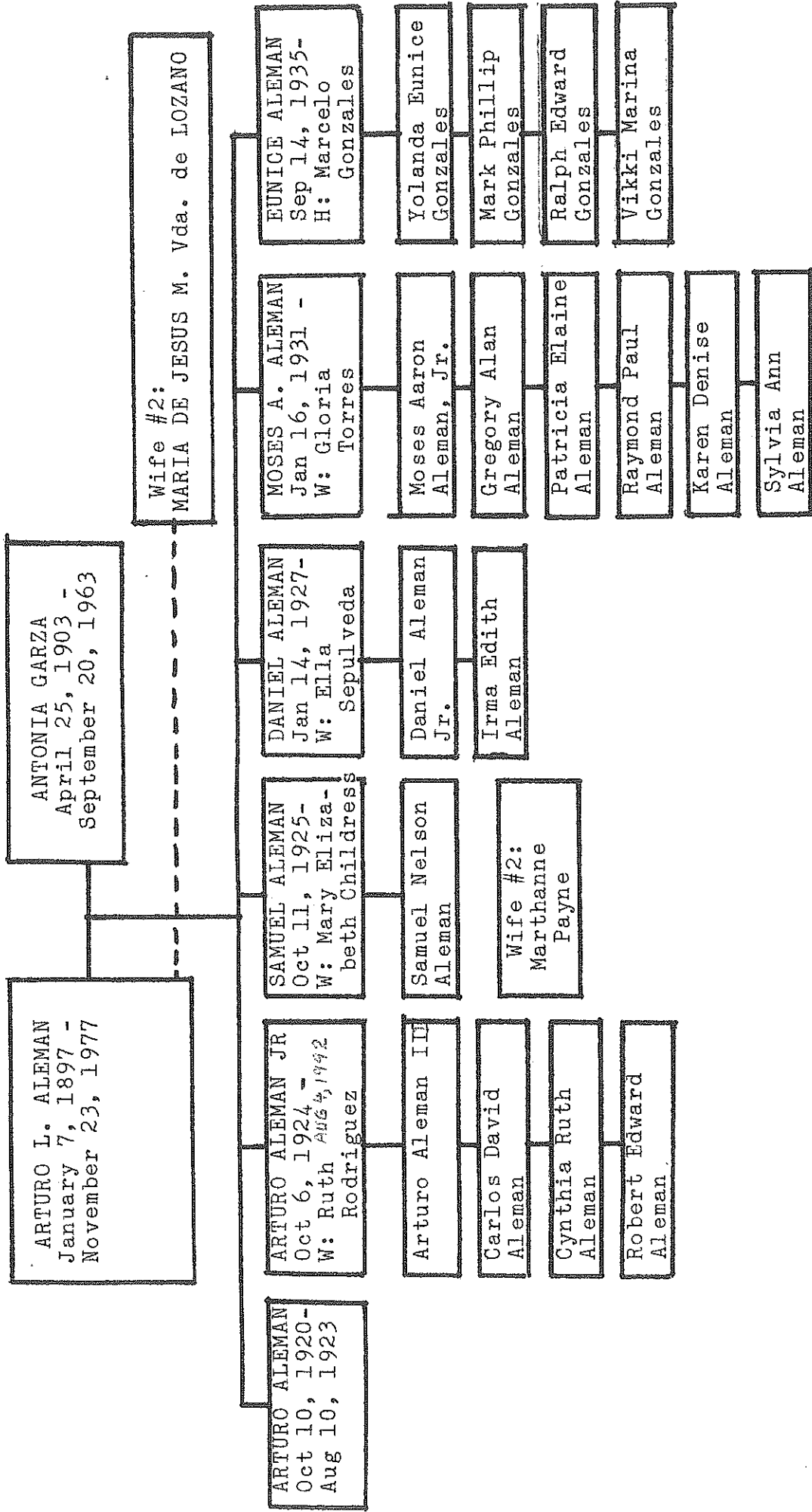
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Elias Ruiz  
Arturo Soto  
E. C. Varela  
Servando Varela











**DESCENDANTS OF ARTURO L. and ANTONIA G. ALEMAN**  
**THE SECOND AND THIRD GENERATIONS**  
**(Children and Grandchildren of Papa Arturo & Mama Toña)**

**NAME**

**SPOUSE**

**Arthur G. Aleman**

**Ruth Rodriguez**

Arthur R. Aleman III  
 Carlos David Aleman  
 Cynthia Ruth Aleman  
 Robert Edward Aleman

Rafael Gonzalez  
 Jeannette Atkins

**Samuel G. Aleman**

**Marthanne Payne**

Samuel Nelson Aleman

**Daniel G. Aleman**

**Ella Sepúlveda**

Daniel Aleman, Jr.  
 Irma Edith Aleman

Debbie Narramore  
 Daniel Thompson

**Moses Aaron Aleman**

**Gloria Torres**

Moses Aaron Aleman, Jr.  
 Gregory Alan Aleman  
 Patricia Elaine Aleman  
 Raymond Paul Aleman  
 Karen Denise Aleman  
 Sylvia Ann Aleman

Donna Pressley  
 Sheila Rider  
 ERIC ELLERSIECK  
 Wayne Dishman  
 Charles E. Blair

**Eunice Aleman**

**Marcelo Gonzalez**

Yolanda Eunice Gonzalez  
 Mark Phillip Gonzales  
 Ralph Edward Gonzalez  
 Vikki Marina Gonzalez

Mark Browne  
 Lindy Brazington  
 Denise Moening  
 Velu Kadirvel

**DESCENDANTS OF ARTURO L. and ANTONIA G. ALEMAN**  
**THE FOURTH GENERATION**  
 (Great Grandchildren of papa Arturo & mama Toña)

NAME	DOB	POB
<b>ARTHUR'S &amp; RUTH'S GRANDCHILDREN:</b>		
Sarah Alicia Aleman (Spouse: Pete Ojeda)	12/19/78	Austin, TX
Andrea Carolina Aleman (Spouse: Ian Hall)	04/23/80	Jefferson Parish, LA
Reuben Carlos Aleman (Spouse: Amber Aleman)	12/20/83	Jefferson Parish, LA
Israel David Gonzalez	10/13/88	Andrews AFB, MD
Rachel Ariel Gonzalez	07/20/90	Andrews AFB, MD
Roberto Carlos Gonzalez	01/03/93	Andrews AFB, MD
Arthur Edward Aleman	07/17/03	Austin, TX
Alyssa Atkins Aleman	04/11/00	Austin, TX
<b>SAM'S GRANDCHILDREN:</b>		
Cassandra Marie Aleman	9/08/81	Austin, TX
Marcos Antonio Aleman	11/20/83	Austin, TX
<b>DAN'S &amp; ELLA'S GRANDCHILDREN</b>		
Jennifer Erin Aleman	10/27/82	Dallas, TX
Stephanie Nicole Aleman	02/26/86	Dallas, TX
Joshua Daniel Aleman	4/09/94	Dallas, TX
Angela Michelle Kamps	05/13/87	Rowlett, TX
<b>MOSES' &amp; GLORIA'S GRANDCHILDREN:</b>		
Christopher Aaron Aleman (Spouse: Maggie Gledwin)	12/08/78	Ft. Worth, TX
Jonathan Edward Aleman (Spouse: Tanya Hood)	10/21/79	Ft. Worth, TX
William Patrick Aleman (Spouse: Katie Friday)	12/17/81	Statesboro, GA
John David Aleman (Spouse: Lillian Ferguson)	3/2/82	Fall River, MA
Daniel Stephen Aleman	6/26/86	Manassas, VA
Antonio Carlos Aleman	12/4/86	Austin, TX
Andrew Paul Aleman	3/15/90	Waco, TX
Leah Denise Dishman	3/12/88	Ft. Worth, TX
Benjamin Travis Dishman	11/29/91-12/9/91	Richmond, VA
Samuel Truett Dishman	06/9/93	Richmond, VA
Hudson Taylor Dishman	12/27/96	Richmond, VA
Matthew Alexander Blair	3/28/93	Manassas, VA
Moriah Danielle Blair	12/10/96	Plano, TX
Preston Graham Blair	9/15/99	Plano, TX
Lauren Rose Aleman	2/8/00	Waco, TX
<b>EUNICE &amp; MARCELO'S GRANDCHILDREN:</b>		
John-Mark Whittington Browne	9/9/85	Waco, TX
Phillip Adriel Gonzales	12/1/81	Ft. Worth, TX
John Michael Gonzales	5/8/86	Ft. Worth, TX
Christopher Mark Gonzales	2/2/89	Ft. Worth, TX
Marcelo Rafael Gonzalez	4/16/90	Austin, TX
Analisa Marie Gonzalez	11/24/91	Austin, TX
Christina Denise Gonzalez	3/15/93	Austin, TX
Elena Annette Gonzalez	3/4/96	Austin, TX
Eva Marina Kadirvel	12/12/02	Austin, TX
Mariana Grace Kadirvel	4/20/05	Austin, TX
Caleb Josiah Kadirvel	3/21/07	Austin, TX
Ezra Zakariah Kadirvel	5/14/09	Austin, TX

**DESCENDANTS OF ARTURO L. and ANTONIA ALEMAN**  
**THE FIFTH GENERATION**  
**(Great Great Grandchildren of papa Arturo & mama Toña)**

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**ARTHUR'S & RUTH'S GREAT GRANDCHILDREN:**

Elijah Adrian Ojeda	12/7/98	San Antonio, TX
Amaya Eliana Ojeda	5/18/01	San Antonio, TX
Milo Alexander Hall	7/28/09	San Antonio, TX

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**SAM'S GREAT GRANDCHILDREN**

Josiah Antonio Alemán	4/28/08	La Grange, TX
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**MOSES & GLORIA'S GREAT GRANDCHILDREN**

Lydia Ann Aleman	2/18/02	Jacksonville, NC
Jonathan Edward Aleman, Jr. (JJ)	6/21/05	Quantico, VA
LilyAnn Nicole Aleman	8/6/08	Boiling Springs, SC

## **ALEMAN FAMILY HISTORY**

### **IN MEMORIUM**

<b>Arturito Aleman, Jr.</b>	<b>October 10, 1920 – August 10, 1923</b>
<b>Antonia G. Aleman</b>	<b>April 25, 1903 – September 20, 1963</b>
<b>Arturo L. Aleman</b>	<b>January 7, 1897 – November 23, 1977</b>
<b>Melissa Antonia Aleman</b>	<b>(still birth) October 21, 1979</b>
<b>Arthur R. Aleman, III</b>	<b>September 20, 1951 – June 21, 1987</b>
<b>Benjamin Travis Dishman</b>	<b>November 29, 1991 – December 9, 1991</b>
<b>Arthur G. Aleman, Jr.</b>	<b>October 6, 1924 – August 4, 1992</b>
<i>SAMUEL G. ALEMAN</i>	<i>OCTOBER 11, 1925 - OCTOBER 10, 2012</i>