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Weslaco – Samuel L. Saldaña Sr., 96, passed away on March 17, 2026, at Edinburg Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. He was born on December 8, 1929, in La Feria, Texas, to Secundino and Isabel (Longoria) Saldaña.

Samuel proudly served his country in the United States Marine Corps, enlisting in 1948 and serving during the Korean War. He was a distinguished serviceman and was awarded the Presidential Unit Citation, Korean Service Medal, and United Nations Service Ribbon for his honorable service.

Following his discharge, Samuel returned to Weslaco, where he built a life with his beloved wife, Minerva, and together they raised their four sons. He dedicated 25 years of service as an X-ray technician at Knapp Medical Center, where he was known for his strong work ethic and commitment.

A true jack of all trades, Samuel was especially gifted as a carpenter. He also developed skills in plumbing and later pursued a second career flipping homes. In his spare time, he enjoyed restoring classic trucks, a hobby that reflected both his craftsmanship and passion.

Samuel was a devoted husband and father. He especially cherished taking Minerva out dancing, creating lasting memories filled with love and joy.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Minerva Saldaña; his parents, Secundino and Isabel Saldaña; his son, Richard Saldaña; his daughter-in-law, Oralia Gonzalez-Saldaña; and his granddaughters, Victoria Saldaña Husky and Rheanna Saldaña Aguillon.

Samuel is survived by his sons, Samuel Saldaña Jr. (Yvonne), Ruben Saldaña (Viola), and Jorge Saldaña (Mary); his daughter-in-law, Olga Vasquez Saldaña; his sister, Josefina Cavazos (Pete); 11 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; 2 great-great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.



Obituary

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Visitation will be held on Friday, March 20, and Saturday, March 21, from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., with a Holy Rosary at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Monday, March 23, 2026, at St. Pius X Catholic Church. Samuel will be laid to rest beside his beloved wife at Restlawn Memorial Park in La Feria.






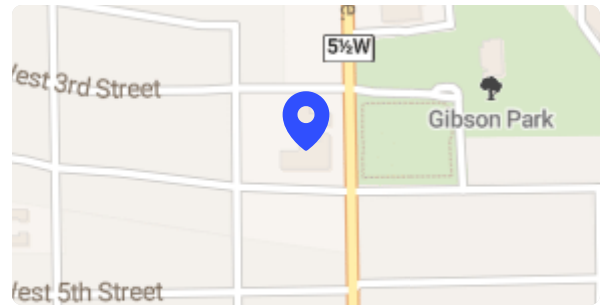
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Visitation

-  **Friday**, March 20, 2026
-  10:00 AM - 9:00 PM CT
-  **McCaleb Funeral Home**
900 W 4th St., Weslaco TX 78596






Visitation

-  **Saturday**, March 21, 2026
-  10:00 AM - 9:00 PM CT
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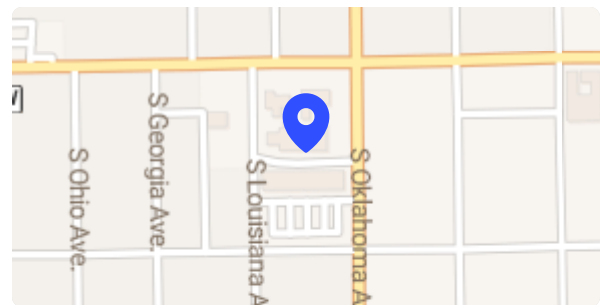
Rosary

-  **Saturday**, March 21, 2026
-  6:00 PM CT
-  **McCaleb Funeral Home**
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Funeral Mass

-  **Monday**, March 23, 2026
-  10:00 AM CT
-  **St Pius X Catholic Church**
600 S Oklahoma, Weslaco TX 78596






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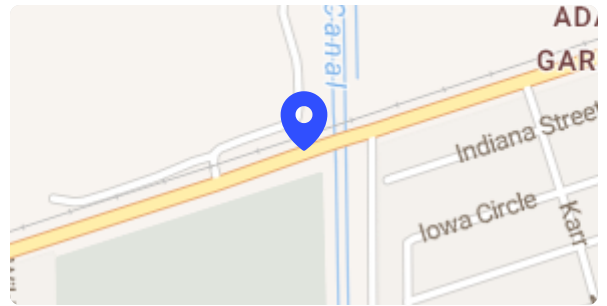
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Burial

 **Monday**, March 23, 2026

 11:00 AM CT

 **Restlawn Memorial Park**
14166 Business 83, La Feria TX 78559





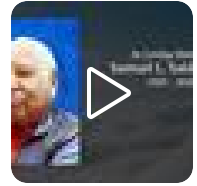
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Mccaleb Funeral Home & Sacred Park Cemetery shared a **Video**.



March 23 at 8:26 PM



Charmain Bradford lit a candle in honor of Samuel.

I worked with Sam many years ago at Knapp Hospital and he was a wonderful person to be around. He was always so caring about the patients and always did his very best every day in every way. Peace be with you. Charmain Bradford, RN



April 4 at 12:58 AM



Ofelia Reyes Carbajal posted:

May you rest peacefully Sam alongside your cherished wife, Minerva. You and I were related thru our grandparents; your maternal grandmother was sister to my paternal grandfather

March 25 at 1:30 PM



Ofelia Reyes Carbajal lit a candle in honor of Samuel.



March 25 at 1:28 PM



Media

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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Samuel by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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