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# Congratulations to the RGV Sports Hall of Fame Class of 2016

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# President's Message

Welcome to the 29th Annual Rio Grande Valley Sports Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony. The RGV Sports Hall of Fame is a non-profit organization dedicated to bringing recognition to local talent that have brought exposure to the Rio Grande Valley throughout Texas and the nation.

Tonight we are privileged to honor nine individuals who have brought recognition to themselves, their family, and the entire Rio Grande Valley in the field of sports. Countless hours have been spent by committees during the selection process to ensure that truly deserving individuals were selected. They now join a very elite group of more than 200 past inductees.

The Class of 2016 offers a group of men and women that have excelled in different sports. Manuel "Meme" Cavazos, a true pioneer of valley baseball, thrilled baseball fans in the 1950s. Eddie Marburger, Bobby Jack Wright and Koy Detmer excelled on the gridiron. Maggie Salinas De la Cruz and Rey Ramirez broke records in track and field. Becky Woods led her volleyball teams to more than victories. Cody Colchado, despite his disability, enjoyed success in the sport of powerlifting. Roy Hess has established himself as one of the top sports writers in Texas.

Because it is the goal of the Rio Grande Valley Sports Hall of Fame to honor those that have distinguished themselves in Rio Grande Valley sports, this evening we also proudly recognize the 75th anniversary of the Mission High School 1941 Football Regional Champions.

On behalf of the Rio Grande Valley Sports Hall of Fame, we thank you for your support. Enjoy the evening.

*Mo Molina*

*President,*

*Rio Grande Valley Sports Hall of Fame Board of Directors*

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# Making Memories, Today

When it was founded in 1985, the Rio Grande Valley Sports Hall of Fame immediately became a repository of Valley sports history and memory, with a goal of honoring a select group of the area's best sports heroes.

The brainchild of a handful of Valley greats from sports and news media, the Hall induced its first class in 1988 and has been bringing luminaries of the Valley sports world together annually ever since. More than 200 men and women who made headlines in high school and beyond are enshrined, with an average of seven joining the group each summer.

Highlights for this year's class are three athletes from Mission – a football quarterback who played in the NFL, a big-time collegiate assistant football coach, and one of the best athletes who ever played baseball in the Valley. The other six honorees have received local, state, national and international recognition.

The Selection Committee's task is a difficult one. There are nearly 100 deserving people nominated for induction each year, and the committee's task is to narrow that list to about 25-30. There are many former student-athletes, coaches, game officials, administrators, and sports media who have been nominated. The group is separated into a Primary Ballot for nominees between the ages of 40 and 69, and a Veterans Ballot for those over the age of 70.

While the honor list is heavy with football stars from the past, the organization recognizes the contributions of candidates from all sports. Board members have also focused on uncovering the stories of notable female sports stars throughout Valley history. As world champion powerlifter Cody Colchado joins the Hall of Fame this year, the diversity – and quality – of our inductees is augmented even more.

The Rio Grande Valley Sports Hall of Fame is celebrating its 30th year since it was founded in 1985. The Hall continues to evolve and has a Facebook page that everyone is encouraged to "like." For the last three years, the Hall has co-sponsored the All-Star Sports Awards



## Recognizing Achievement

with RGVSports.com, to honor high school student-athletes, coaches and sports programs for their achievements during the school year.

The long-range goal of the organization is to find a permanent physical home for the Hall, from which to display donated memorabilia plus temporary and permanent exhibits, and to have a venue to host events. As we look forward to the new gathering, and listening to the stories of the nine honorees June 25 in Pharr, the Hall wishes to thank Valley athletes and fans for contributing to the growth and popularity of the organization.

Preserving the history of the area's games is our passion, and we do it gladly.

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## MANUEL "MEME" CAVAZOS

**Hometown:** Mission, Texas

**High School:** Mission High School

**Sport Best Known For:** Baseball

One of the most feared sluggers of the early baseball era in the Valley, Manuel "Meme" Cavazos is considered by many among the top 10 baseball players of all-time in the Rio Grande Valley. The old-timers will tell you: there have been few Valley men who could swat the long ball like Manuel.

Raised in Mission, Cavazos quit school to help support his family during the Great Depression, and was 18 when he started playing sandlot baseball in Mission. Bernardo Peña organized the 30-30 team and developed Manuel into an outstanding outfielder. On offense, Manuel was always the cleanup hitter. On defense, he made playing outfield look easy.

He played for the respected McAllen Palms and Edinburg Ginners and when minor league ball came to the Valley in the 1940s, starred for the Donna Cardinals, McAllen Palms, and Laredo Apaches. He hit .354 with 34 home runs in his last season for Laredo in the minor leagues, and was the only player ever to clear the left-field wall at the spacious Brownsville Charro Park.

He suffered a leg injury sliding into second base that ended his professional career. He rejoined the semi-pro circuit in Mission, McAllen and Edinburg. He coached Little League Baseball in Mission that helped his younger six brothers – Jose Mario, Mateo, Jose Angel, Pancho, Tino and Jorge – learn the art of baseball.

He was a longtime member of the Leo Najo Old Timers baseball organization that has been active for almost 50 years.

# UTRGV CONGRATULATES GODY COLCHADO

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Alex Lea, 1996  
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Otis Moore, 2010  
David Mosqueda, 1993  
Al Ogletree, 1989

Mary Lee Rabke, Ph.D., 1997  
John Anthony Raders, 2003  
Jody Ramsey, 1999  
Camilo "Bucky" Rodriguez, 2002  
Joe A. Rodriguez, 1991  
Pikey Rodriguez, Jr., 2001  
Hector Salinas, 2009  
Lupe Salinas, 2003  
Patsy Sanchez-Paredes, 2013  
Rene Torres, 2007  
Reggie Tredaway, 2009  
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Pete Vela, 2012  
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## CODY COLCHADO

**Hometown:** Kingsville, Texas

**High School:** Foothills High School,  
Bakersfield, California

**College:** The University of Texas-Pan American  
**Sport Best Known For:** Powerlifting

Cody Colchado was born hard of hearing in Kingsville, but was not diagnosed until he was in the second grade. He was raised in Bakersfield, Calif., where he sustained a football injury in high school in 1980 which cost him his eyesight.

He moved to the Rio Grande Valley in 1997 and received a Bachelor of Science degree from The University of Texas-Pan American in 2002 and a Master of Education degree in Kinesiology there in 2005.

As a lifetime member of the United States Association of Blind Athletes, Cody is a three-time national champion in track and field, and a 31-time world champion in Powerlifting for the able body and disabled division. He also holds 21 world records in the squat, bench press, dead lift and total for IBSA, IBPF, WABDL, WPA, and USAPL and has earned 12 best lifter awards. In 2012, he was inducted into the World Association Benchers and Deadlifters Hall of Fame. He has represented the U.S. eight times as part of Team USA for the United States Association of Blind Athletes. In 2015, he became the first American to become the Strongman for Disabled Champion at the world championships in Iceland.

Cody has the courage to move on despite the unfortunate circumstances. He cannot hear the applause nor see the weight he's lifting. He is also an embodiment of humanity. "When I lift weights, I visualize all the people with disabilities who I've met over the years. I hear their voices and they lift the bar with me."



# Congratulations

**Koy Detmer**

**Bobby Jack Wright**

**Meme Cavazos**

**and the Class of 2016**





## KOY DETMER

**Hometown:** Mission, Texas  
**High School:** Mission High School  
**College:** The University of Colorado  
**Professional:** Philadelphia Eagles  
**Best Known For:** Football

Koy Detmer is one of the most successful football players to come out the Rio Grande Valley, playing quarterback in the NFL for 10 years.

With his father Sonny Detmer as head coach, Koy led Mission to the Class 5A playoffs in 1990 and 1991. The 1990 team lost in the semifinals against eventual state champion Aldine, 54-21. With Detmer at quarterback, Mission High established a state record with 4,829 passing yards for a season in 1990. In 1991, Detmer led the Eagles to the area playoffs, and threw for 522 yards in a loss to Corpus Christi Miller. He was named all-state Offensive Player of the Year in 1991, finishing with 3,695 passing yards and 36 TDs. With 8,221 passing yards, Detmer still the record for Valley quarterbacks.

Detmer played collegiately at The University of Colorado from 1992-96 and played in 29 games. He completed 350 out of 594 passes for 5,390 yards and set a school record 40 touchdowns.

He was a seventh-round selection of the Philadelphia Eagles in 1997, and played there for 10 seasons, spending most of his career as a backup to Donovan McNabb. He also played the 2007 season at Minnesota. In 103 NFL games, he completed 184 passes for 1,944 yards with 10 touchdowns and 14 interceptions.

Detmer, who had been serving as an assistant coach under his father at Somerset for several years, was named recently as new head football coach at his Alma Mater Mission High School.

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## ROY HESS

**Hometown:** Neligh, Nebraska

**High School:** Neligh-Oakdale High School

**College:** The University of Texas at Austin

**Best Known For:** Journalist

Roy Hess has covered sports for Valley daily newspapers for 38 years, and is the only person to ever serve as Sports Editor of the Valley's three main daily newspapers in Brownsville, Harlingen and McAllen.

Hess came to the Valley as a sports writer at the Valley Morning Star in 1978 from Oral Roberts University in Tulsa, Okla. Hess. He became Sports Editor of The Star from 1979-80 before leaving to The University of Texas, where he graduated with a Bachelor of Journalism degree in 1982. He returned to the Valley as Sports Editor of The Brownsville Herald from 1982-1991, and spent 11 years at The Monitor from 1991-2002. Hess supervised The Monitor's selection and story writing of All-Millennium Valley teams in football and baseball in 2000 and 2001.

He is the only sports writer to cover each of the Valley's state championships in soccer for the Valley papers. They include Brownsville Lopez (2004), Brownsville Porter (2006), Hidalgo (2009), Sharyland (2012) and Brownsville Rivera (2015). Hess is also the primary Valley sports writer to cover the rise to national prominence of Valley professional boxers since 2007 including former WBC world lightweight champion Omar "Panterita" Figueroa Jr., heavyweight Eric "Drummer Boy" Molina and Roberto "La Amenaza" Garcia.

He was named Region IV Sports Writer of the year by the Texas Association of Soccer Coaches (TASCO) in 1992, 2005 and 2012, and has received three state sports writing awards. He continues to cover sports for The Brownsville Herald.

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## EDDIE MARBURGER

**Hometown:** Edinburg, Texas

**High School:** Edinburg High School

**College:** Texas Lutheran College

**Best Known For:** Baseball and Football

Eddie Marburger, who excelled in football and basketball, is collegiate record books in two sports as far back 60 years ago.

He is a 1955 graduate of Edinburg High, where he lettered in baseball, football and basketball. As a baseball player, Eddie was named to the All-District team for three years and was All-Valley for two years. He played halfback for the football team for three years, helping lead 1953 district champion Bobcats to the state semifinals. Marburger, who also played basketball for two years, was named to the football all-district team.

After high school, Marburger attended Texas Lutheran College to play football and baseball.

In football, he lettered four years and he earned NAIA Little All-America honors in 1957. Marburger was also named to the All-Texas and All-Texas Lutheran teams. His 91-yard kickoff return for a touchdown against Sul Ross in 1956 were school records for 51 years as the longest kickoff return and longest kickoff return for a touchdown in Texas Lutheran College football history. The mark was broken in 2007, but he is still in the record books as the second longest in both categories today.

Marburger also lettered four years in baseball, leading his team with a .380 batting average in 1956. He led the NAIA in runs scored and stolen bases in 1958. The Bulldogs beat five major college baseball teams that year – Houston, Rice, TCU, Texas A&M and Texas Tech.

He was inducted into the Texas Lutheran University Hall of Fame in 1982.



# Congratulations



Rey Ramirez,

2016 RGV Sports Hall of Fame Inductee

We're proud of your successes and value the honor your bring to Rio Grande City with this esteemed recognition.







## REYNALDO “REY” RAMIREZ

**Hometown:** Rio Grande City, Texas  
**High School:** Rio Grande City High School  
**College:** The University of Texas at Austin  
**Best Known For:** Track

Rey Ramirez is one of the Valley’s all-time premier track athletes, and holds Valley track records and was a member of The University of Texas track team who also competed internationally.

Ramirez was a football and track letterman at Rio Grande City High School, where he graduated in 1986. On the football field, he was a wide receiver and defensive back, but excelled as a sprinter in track. Ramirez set Valley records in the 100-meter dash (10.34), 200-meter dash (21.13) and the long jump, which he still holds at 24’2 1/4”. The highlight of his high school career came when he won the Gold medal in the 200-meter dash (21.3) at the 1986 Class 4A UIL State meet and a silver medal in the long jump (23’1 1/4”). He was selected to the Valley’s All-Millennium team in the 100-meter dash, 200-meter dash and long jump.

In the summer of 1985, he was selected to the Junior National Olympic Team which traveled and competed in Seoul, South Korea.

He received a track and field scholarship to the University of Texas, where he was a four-year letterman. He competed in the 200-meter Dash, 400-meter Dash, long jump, 400-meter relay, and mile relay, earning All-America and All-Conference honors.

In 1991 he graduated with a bachelor’s degree and returned to Rio Grande City to begin his career, first as a coach and now serves as the school district’s Athletic Director. The RGC Rey Ramirez Track and Field Meet in Rio Grande City is named in his honor.



# CONGRATULATIONS

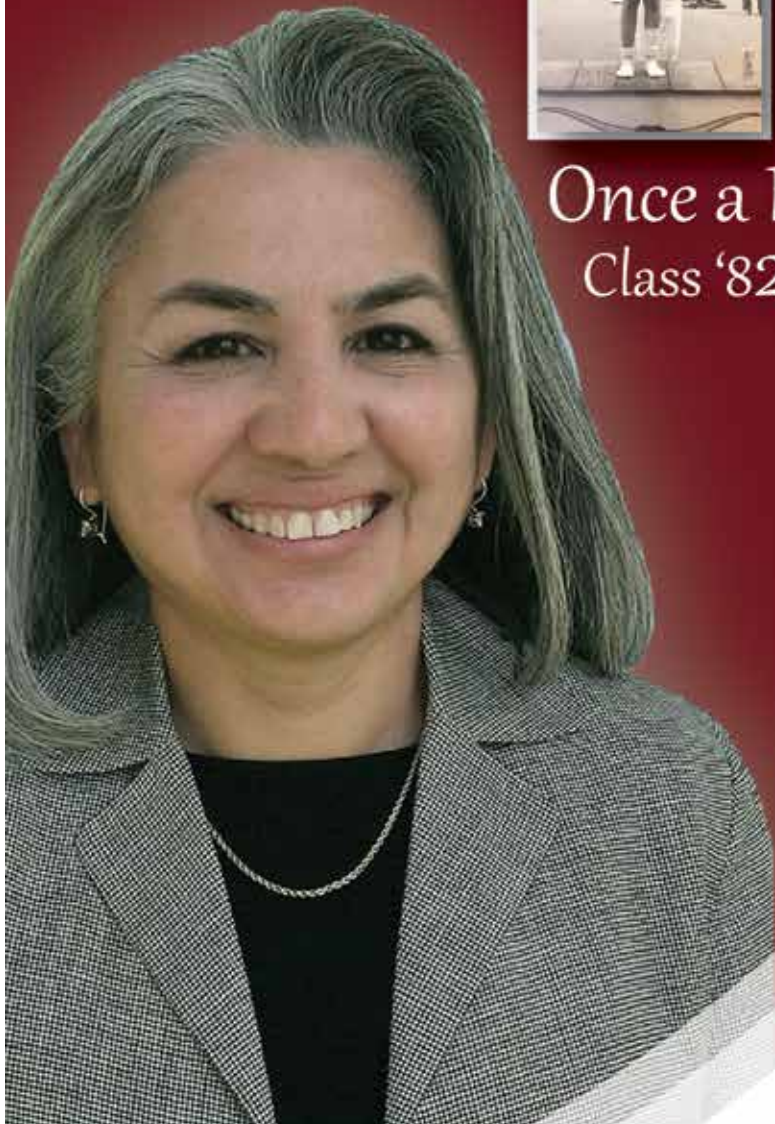
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## MAGGIE SALINAS DE LA CRUZ

**Hometown:** Alamo, Texas

**High School:** P-SJ-A High School

**College:** The University of Texas at Austin

**Best Known For:** Track

Maggie Salinas is considered one of the greatest middle distance runners ever from the Rio Grande Valley.

Salinas made her mark as a member of the cross country and track team for Pharr-San Juan-Alamo from 1980 to 1983. During the fall of 1980 as a sophomore, she advanced to the state country meet, where she placed second.

During track season in the spring, Salinas won 12 races in the 800-meter run and won district and regional championships to earn a berth in the UIL Class 5A state meet held at The University of Texas. Although she trailed the leader after the first lap, Salinas accelerated past her in the final lap to win the state championship with a time of 2:08.50. That mark broke the previous state record and was not broken for more than 20 years later. The mark also ranked eighth nationally among the high school ranks. Salinas also advanced to the state meet as a senior, placing third. That record time still stands in the Valley record books.

Salinas signed with the University of Texas and went on to an outstanding collegiate career in the Southwest Conference. She was a member of the 4x800 relay that won the Southwest Conference championship three straight years from 1983 to 1985. Her relay team was also indoor champ for three straight years in the two-mile relay from 1983 to 1985. Her 4x800 relay group time of 8:48.1 set in 1985 ranks sixth all-time in Longhorn history. Salinas was named All-American in 1985 as a member of 4x800 meter relay.





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## BECKY WOODS

**Hometown:** Osceola, Iowa

**College:** Graceland University (Iowa)

**Best Known For:** Volleyball Coaching

Becky Woods has made her mark as the winningest volleyball coach in Rio Grande Valley history.

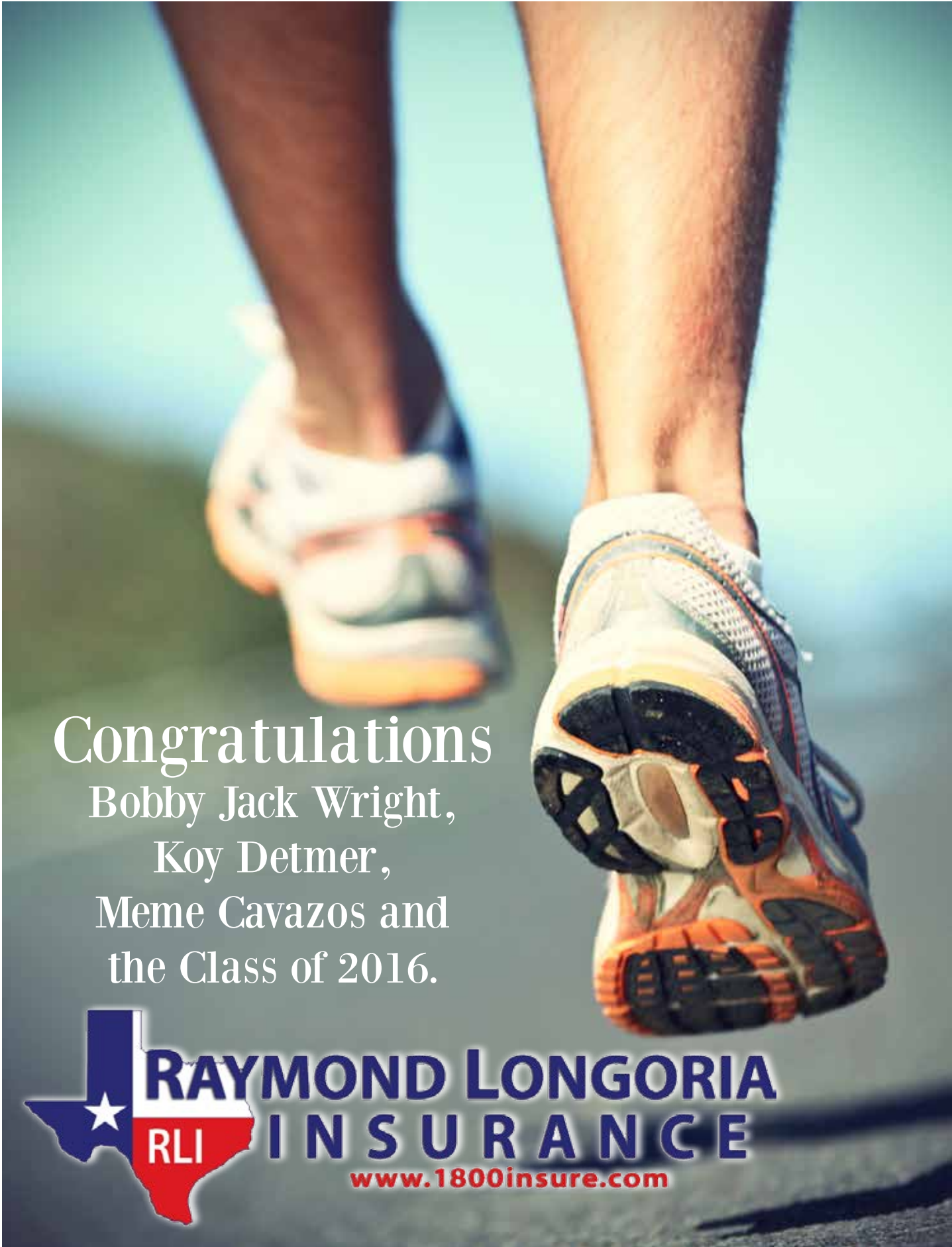
She participated in basketball, softball and track and field for four years each at Clark Community High School, and played volleyball when the program started in her senior year. Woods graduated from CCHS in 1979, and received a basketball and track scholarship to nearby Graceland University, where she also played field hockey and softball. She played four years at Graceland and graduated in 1983. After a semester in Nursing, she returned to Graceland to receive a Health and Physical Education degree.

Woods moved to the Valley in 1986 to become a physical education teacher and head volleyball coach at Los Fresnos High School. She has also coached basketball at the sub-varsity level, and has served as an assistant coach in swimming. She also started the Lady Falcon softball program in 1994, serving as its coach for four seasons and taking the 1996 team to the state playoffs.

She was also Los Fresnos CISD Athletics Director for two years from 2002-04. She has also served as PE Department Chair for 18 years.

Woods joined the 600-victory club in 2015 and is poised to continue coaching as long as possible. In 31 years coaching the Lady Falcons, she has amassed a won-loss record of 605-320. Her teams have won 11 district championships and appeared in the playoffs 21 times. She has captured 12 bi-district titles, seven area titles, and has taken Lady Falcons to the regional tournament four times. Woods received 10 District Coach of the Year awards, and numerous coaching recognitions by Valley newspapers.





Congratulations  
Bobby Jack Wright,  
Koy Detmer,  
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## BOBBY JACK WRIGHT

**Hometown:** Mission, Texas

**High School:** Mission High School

**College:** Southwest Texas State University

**Best Known For:** Football Coaching

Bobby Jack Wright made his mark as a successful assistant coach at two major university programs for 29 years.

Wright is a 1969 graduate of Mission High, and he played football and baseball. He played one year at Ranger Junior College, and then then transferred to Southwest Texas State University. Wright lettered in baseball in 1971 and graduated from SWT in 1973.

He began his coaching career as an assistant at Edna High School in 1974, and was also as assistant coach at San Antonio Jefferson becoming become head coach and athletic director at Banquette High School.

Wright joined the college coaching ranks at Texas A&I University in 1979, helping lead the Javelinas to the NAIA national championship, before moving to North Texas State University for two years. He moved to The University of Texas in 1986, where he was assistant head coach, defensive coordinator, and coached several positions for the Longhorns for 11 years. He then joined the staff at The University of Oklahoma from 1999-2015, where he was assistant head coach, recruiting coordinator and coached defensive ends, defensive backs, and special teams. Wright helped the Sooners win one national championship and eight conference championships and coached in 21 bowl games, 16 with the Sooners.

He coached cornerback Darrell Green at Texas A&I, who played 19 years for the NFL Washington Redskins; Zack Sanchez, who earned Freshman All-America honors in 2013 at OU; Texas wide receiver Mike Adams, who set every school single-season receiving record; and Longhorn kicker Phil Dawson, whose has been in the NFL for 17 seasons. He retired in 2015.

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# Historic 1941 Mission Football Team Celebrates Its 75th Anniversary

In 1941, a war was raging in Europe.

Robert L. "Bob" Martin arrived in Mission in 1939 and took the job of junior coach. After producing an outstanding junior team and with a vacancy as head coach, the Mission ISD Board of Trustees named Martin the head coach. He was assisted by C. D. Jarvis and junior coach Fritz Lehnoff.

Mission had won two other District 40-A titles during prior years, but had never advanced to the regional championship, which was the highest level a team could reach at the time. In 1940, the Eagles went 7-4.

Many others returned from the 1940 team: Merle Baker, Jose Barrera, Louis Barrera, Kenneth Bentsen, Neil Bentsen, Johnny Borbois, Bill Brown, Billy Campbell, Bobby Campbell, Billy Brown, Marvin Davis, Arturo Flores, Pepe De la Fuente, Lauro Guerra, Leland Hedges, Keith Hoyt, Sebastian "Sebby" Gonzales, Oton Guerrero, Zelmo Hinojosa, Tony Longoria, Carroll Martin, Jimmie Mehis, Audencio "Wencho" Mungia, Harry Oakes, D. Peña, Reynaldo Peña, George Rigler, Walter Volz, A.B. Ward, Jack Warner and Bob Williams.

The Eagles finished that 1941 season with a record of 12-0, scoring 323 points and allowing only seven. Landry led the Valley with 111 points while Ward had 88.

Japan attacked Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941 – five days before that regional championship game.

School districts had some decisions about 1942 football in the coming months. The state Board of Education began a rationing ruling that school buses could be equipped with new tires only if they were used exclusively for transporting students to and from school. Mission had three school buses. There were also fears that night football would be banned because of possible air raids.

On April 27, 1942, Mission suspended its football program for one year. But memories of the glorious 1941 season live on.

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Mission <u>12</u>	vs Edinburg <u>0</u>
Mission <u>26</u>	vs San Benito <u>0</u>
Mission <u>26</u>	vs Raymondville <u>0</u>
Mission <u>49</u>	vs Mercedes <u>0</u>
Mission <u>47</u>	vs Weslaco <u>0</u>
Mission <u>13</u>	vs Donna <u>7</u>
Mission <u>46</u>	vs McAllen <u>0</u>
Mission <u>9</u>	vs Harlingen <u>0</u>
Mission <u>14</u>	vs La Feria <u>0</u>
Mission <u>19</u>	vs Aransas Pass <u>0</u>
(bi-district)	
Mission <u>33</u>	vs Hondo <u>0</u>
(regional final)	

# Scholastic Achievement Awards



## E.C. Lerma Memorial Award

**Diego Luis Caballero** is a 2016 graduate of Pharr-San Juan-Alamo Early College High School. He was ranked in the third-ranked student of his class. He is an AP Scholar, National Hispanic Merit Scholar, and graduated in the Distinguished Achievement Program. He also graduated with an Associate of Science degree in Mathematics from South Texas College.

He was a Boys' State delegate, National Honor Society member, and district champion in UIL Academics in the calculator event. He was a regional qualifier in swimming, and two-year letterman in cross country.

*Diego Luis Caballero*

Pharr-San Juan-Alamo  
Early College High School

Diego Luis was accepted into three military academies, and decided to the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md. Because it would allow him to receive a world-class moral, academic and physical education. He plans to major in oceanography, and hopes to become a scientist, researcher, or naval aviator.

## Scholastic Achievement Award

*Sponsored by Dr. Celestino Avila*

**Roberto Garza** is a 2016 graduate of Donna High School. He graduated in the top six percent of his class. He also graduated with Associate of Science degree from South Texas College.

Roberto was also a member of the National Honor Society for three years. He participated in football, power lifting, and National Honor Society events.

He plans to attend Texas State University in San Marcos and major in Physical Therapy. He hopes to become a physician.



*Roberto Garza*

Donna High School

# Scholastic Achievement Awards

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*Marc Anthony Garcia*

Mission High School

**Marc Anthony Garcia** is a 2016 graduate of Mission High School, and was in the top quarter of his class.

He participated in football, where he was a captain for two years, all-district first team cornerback, and second team all-area. He also participated in track, where he was a regional qualifier for three years.

Marc Anthony plans to attend Colorado Mesa University and major in Criminal Justice. He hopes to join the Border Patrol or the military.



*Mariah Gonzalez*

Mission Veterans Memorial High School

**Mariah Gonzalez** is a 2016 graduate of Mission Veterans Memorial High School. She is ranked eighth in her class, and was a member of the National Honor Society.

She excelled in volleyball, where she was named to the academic all-state team and chosen to the Class 5A all-state volleyball team as an honorable mention. She also participated in track and field, track and wrestling, where she was a state qualifier. She also qualified for regionals in track and field, and was a state qualifier in wrestling.

Mariah plans to attend The University of Texas at San Antonio and major in Kinesiology. She hopes to become a physical therapist.

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## RGVSHOF Scholarship



*Levi Reno Jaramillo*

Brownsville Pace High School

**Levi Reno Jaramillo** is a 2016 graduate of Brownsville Pace High School. He was ranked 10th in his class, and was a member of the National Honor Society.

He participated in cross country, basketball and track, and was also a member of the marching and concert band.

Levi plans to attend McMurry University and major in biochemistry. He hopes to become a pharmacist.



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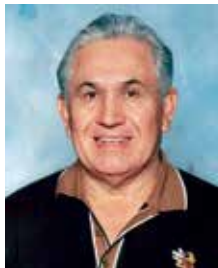
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Alaniz, Leo "Najo"†	1988	Crafts, Willie†	2003	Harbour, Todd	2004
Alexander, LuAnne	2013	Crane, Corky	1999	Heald, Dessie†	1989
Alvarez, Arnie†	2007	Creasey, George†	1989	Helms, J.W.†	1996
Ausmus, Don	2013	Davis, C.W. "Napper"†	1988	Helms, Jim	1996
Anzaldua, Amador "Mayo"†	2004	Davis, Gilly†	1992	Henson, Bob	2013
Araguz, Leo	2014	Denson, Don	2005	Hernandez, Alfredo "Boxer"†	1998
Aranda, Olga	2002	Detmer, Sonny	2009	Hinojosa, Herbie	2014
Avila, Alfredo	2003	Drew, Tom	1995	Hinojosa, Rene Manuel†	2002
Avila, Celestino Z., M.D.	2000	Edwards, Freddie Allen	2004	Hirst, Gerald	1994
Avila, Richard	2002	Esparza, Thomas, Ph.D.†	1991	Hollingsworth, Hank	2004
Ayala, Jr., Ernesto	1995	Esquivel, Carlos†	1998	Houghtaling, Jim†	2005
Balducci, Roxanne	2004	Estevis, Camilo	1995	Howell, Kathy	2010
Barbosa, Tony	2005	Etnire, Stanley†	1996	Hudson, Jim†	1994
Barker, Tommy	2015	Evans, Norm	1994	Iglesias, Iris G.	2012
Barker-Davis, Rochelle	2006	Farias, Rey	2010	Jackson, Johnnie	2013
Bazan, Pete	2009	Farris, Bill†	1990	Jackson, Lucious "Luke"	1995
Beaudry, Charles, Ph.D.†	1989	Field, Jackie†	2006	Knetig, Ed Jr.	2012
Beene, Cathy A.	2012	Filoteo, Joe	2008	Keyes, Bert R.	2008
Bloomfield, Jack	1993	Flores, Adrian†	1997	Labar, Wayne†	1997
Boyle, C.L. "Smokey"†	1989	Flores, R.C. "Fito"†	1992	Lackey, Bobby	1990
Brooks, Jim†	1990	Flores, Richard	1992	LaGrange, Charles	2001
Brumley, Bob†	2011	Garcia, Alonso "Knot"†	2015	Lambert, Gerald	2014
Bush, Bruce	2011	Garcia, Gonzalo†	1999	Landry, Thomas Wade	
Butler Kalencki, Jeanie	1999	Garcia, Juan de Dios	2015	"Tom"†	1988
Butler, Tony†	1998	Garcia, Roy	1993	Lawrence, Jimmy†	1989
Caldwell, Earl†	2013	Garcia, Willie	2010	Leal Garcia, Felipe†	2000
Cannon, Bobby†	1989	Garza, Eleuterio	1993	Leal, Alex	1996
Cantu, Juanita M.†	1997	Garza, Gil	2006	Lerma, E.C.†	1989
Cantu, Ramon O.†	1995	Garza, Leo Jr.†	1996	Lerma, John C.	2000
Canul, Guadalupe	2002	Garza, Leonel G.	2006	Levermann, Gerald	
Capello, Juan J., M.D.	2004	Garza, Meme	2006	"Dutch"†	2001
Capello, Robert	2003	Garza, Rene G.	2006	Levermann, Margaret†	1998
Casso, Teresa	1996	Garza, Sammy	2011	Levine, Lewis Milton "Lew"	1998
Castillo, Juan	2005	Gerlicki, Joseph†	2002	Lohr, Larry†	1989
Cavazos, Max†	1991	Gomez, Jesse S.†	2014	Longhofer, Jesse D.	1994
Clark, Margaret M.†	2001	Gonzalez, Paula	2005	Longoria, Sylvia	2007
Clark, Nancy K.	2014	Gonzalez, Rogelio "Roy"†	2004	Lopez, Carlos	2013
Cleckler, Mary Jeanne	1995	Gorges, Matt	1992	Lugo, Alfredo†	2005
Coleman, Bert†	2003	Green, Buddy†	2013	Maldonado, Frank "Pancho"	2000
Conner, M.F. "Red"†	1993	Guerra, Jesus "Chuy"	2000	Martin, Donny	2010
Conover, Brooks W.†	1997	Guerrero, Oton "Tony"	1995	Martin, Robert L. "Bob"†	1992
Corona, Regino C.	2008	Guillot, Donald	2011	Martinez, Carmen G.	1999
Cortez, Robert	1997	Hall, James C. "Red"†	2005	Martinez, Homer Sr.	2002



McKone, Jim†	1994	Rodriguez, Camilo Sr.†	1990	Valdez, Nati	2015
McLish, Rachel	2006	Rodriguez, Camilo “Bucky”	2002	Vasquez, David	2004
McMurtry, Paul J.†	1991	Rodriguez, Hesiquio “Zeke”	2005	Vaughan, Charlie	2004
Mims, John†	2004	Rodriguez, Joe A.	1991	Vela, Carlos	2011
Molina, Mo	2010	Rodriguez, Lupe	2015	Vela, Efraim	1999
Moore, Otto	2010	Rodriguez, Pablo “Pikey”	2001	Vela, Ernesto V.†	2000
Moore, Tommy	2008	Salazar, Dolores	2001	Vela, Pete	2012
Morrow, Bobby	1988	Salinas, Hector	2009	Vela, Robert†	2008
Mosqueda, David†	1993	Salinas, Lupe	2003	Vest, George†	1993
Moxley, Paul	2002	Sanchez, Joe R. Sr.†	1999	Villarreal, Eliseo†	1994
Nixon, Charles M.†	1998	Sanchez-Paredes, Patsy	2013	Villarreal, Magda	2007
Nyquist, Larry †	2001	Sanders, Travis	2011	Villarreal, Vic†	2001
Ogletree, Al	1989	Sauceda, Dora†	1994	Villegas, Ramiro	2003
Olvera, Johnny	2014	Scott, Earl	1989	Wallace, Jack Sr.†	2012
Owens, Carl B.	2001	Schulgen, George L. Jr.	2012	Ward, Al	1998
Parker, Lloyd †	1995	Shuford, John Albert		Watkins, Mary F.†	1990
Pedraza, Luz Jr.	1996	“Lefty”†	2002	Weekley, Tom B.	2001
Pemelton, Billy Gene	1998	Siebert Banks, Stacey	2015	West, Tom†	1992
Peña, Bernardo†	1991	Silver, Gene	1991	White, Howard A. “Andy”	1999
Platt, Jimmy	1997	Smith, Frank Jr.	1994	Williams, Charlie†	1988
Ply, Bobby	1991	Solis, Merced	2007	Williams, D. Joe†	2003
Pompa, Eliseo	2007	Soza, Guadalupe “Lupe”	1998	Williams, Sam†	1988
Rabke, Mary Lee, Ph.D.	1997	Spoonemore, Carl	2006	Wise, Steve	2005
Raders, John†	2003	Stephens, Jerry†	1990	Woodson Winston, Teresa†	2000
Ramirez, Aaron	2015	Stevenson, W.M. “Buster”†	1997	Wright, Jim	1993
Ramsey, Jody†	1999	Stewart, Ray†	1993	Wright, Lum	2009
Reichert, Tommy†	1996	Stromeyer, George Jr. †	1990	Young, Russell†	2008
Rivas, Homero, M.D.	1999	Stromeyer, George Sr.†	1990	Zamarripa, Nora	2005
Roberts, Tommy	2009	Thomas, Amilda, Ph.d.†	1992	Zamarripa, Raul	2013
Robie, Glen†	1993	Torres, Rene	2007	Zamora, Lupe “Chipper”	1994
Rodriguez, Amador†	2006	Tredaway, Reggie	2009	Zamora, Ronnie	2011
Rodriguez, B.R. “Poppy”	2000	Uhlaender, Ted†	1991	Zavaletta, Gus†	1992

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Glenn Roney, McAllen	1995	A.C. Jaime, Pharr	2004
Roy Gonzalez, McAllen	1996	Charlie Isbell, Brownsville	2005
Robert Valadez, Mission	1997	Joe Ayala, Harlingen	2006
Othal Brand, McAllen	1998	Bill Guthrie, Harlingen	2007
Joe Ochoa, Edinburg	1999	Larry Pressler, McAllen	2008
Irma Elizondo, Pharr	2000	Ben Garza, MD, Edinburg	2009
Herman Keillor, MD, Harlingen	2001	Roland Lomblot, Harlingen	2010
Greg LaMantia, McAllen	2002	Emilio O. Hernandez, DDS	2011
Val LaMantia-Piesen, McAllen	2002	Brownsville	
Jorge Salcines, McAllen	2003	Benjamin Lopez Jr., Mission	2012

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