



Manuel Colsa P.

Longtime Resident Colsa Dies

Manuel Colsa Petitpain, publisher of a Mexican oil trade magazine, *Petroleo Mexicano* and a long time Brownsville resident, died Wednesday afternoon at Mercy Hospital. He was 68.

A member of a pioneer Malamoros family, Mr. Colsa had been ill for several months. He lived at 1014 Old Port Isabel Road.

Mr. Colsa was born in Malamoros on Sept. 21, 1897, and first came to Brownsville with his family during the Mexican Revolution in 1913. In 1946 he established his permanent residence here.

He was a member of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church, a third degree member of the Knights of Columbus, Council 2304 at Laredo, and held the rank of colonel in the Mexican Army.

In World War II, during Gen. Manuel Avila Camacho's term of office as president of Mexico, Mr. Colsa was appointed to visit the United States to foster better relations between the two countries.

After the War, Mr. Colsa founded a monthly oil trade magazine "Frontera" in Mexico City which in recent years he renamed "Petroleo Mexicano," with a wide circulation in Mexico and this country.

Mr. Colsa is survived by his wife, Mrs. Bertha Walter Colsa of Brownsville; a daughter, Miss Bertha Leonor Colsa of Brownsville, his mother, Mrs. Angela Colsa of Brownsville; a brother, Luis Colsa P. of Brownsville, and two sisters, Mrs. Leonor C. Jettall of Brownsville and Alicia Colsa Petitpain of San Antonio.

A special rosary will be recited today at 8 p.m. at the Hinkley Chapel.

Funeral mass will be celebrated Friday at 10 a.m. at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. Burial will be in Buena Vista Cemetery, under the direction of Hinkley Mortuary.

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