

# Ancestors of Aureliano Lopez

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## Generation 1

1. **Aureliano Lopez**, son of Unknown and Teresa Lopez Rubalcava, was born on 22 Feb 1893 in Ciudad Lerdo, Durango, Mexico. He died on 19 May 1994 in Los Angeles, California. He married **Blasa Manriquez** on 25 Jul 1911 in Ciudad Lerdo, Durango, Mexico. She was born on 18 Aug 1897 in Ciudad Lerdo, Durango, Mexico. She died on 16 Mar 1958 in Los Angeles, California.

Notes for Aureliano Lopez:  
[Lopez..FTW]

Aureliano was a unique individual. He had strong convictions and was strongly independent. He had a suspicion against authority and in several instances that suspicion served him well. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather, and before he died, Great grandfather. He lived to be 101 and all but the last few years were active years. He was raised by his grandparents, Anastasia and Timoteo, who owned a small store in Lerdo.

Aureliano was a talented man. He was a carpenter, a miller, and a tailor. He was a revolutionary, although not by choice, and rose to a leadership role in Poncho Villa's army because he could read and write. There were few in that army who could. When he left Mexico with his small family, in 1917 he had tired of the revolution. He worked for the US Army as a tailor in El Paso, Douglas Arizona, and Columbus, New Mexico. Teresa Lopez was born in Columbus, the only child of Aureliano and Blasa to be born in the US. He worked his way from Texas to California and worked hard to bring his half sisters and brother from Mexico under his name, Lopez. The family name Fuentes was found in old documents requesting copies of Birth records for Aureliano. He included Fuentes along with Lopez when he requested the records from the Church in Lerdo. Teresa Fuentes turned out to be his grandfather's mother. The church had no records of Aureliano's birth but many records were lost during the revolution which persecuted the church and destroyed many churches along with their wonderful old records. Since Aureliano's mother, Teresa Lopez was never married we assume Aureliano is his father's or grandfather's name. As yet we have no record of his father's first name but Aureliano is such a distinct name, it may have been his father's.

Notes for Blasa Manriquez:

Blaza too was the child of an unwed mother. Her mother, Inez Manriquez Romo was still alive when Alfonso Joel Ramirez was a child and he did meet her. Blaza was a beautiful and regal woman. She loved her family deeply and in turn was loved deeply. She died young, in her fifties, and was buried in Calvary Cemetery, Los Angeles.

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## Generation 2

2. **Unknown**. He met **Teresa Lopez Rubalcava**.
3. **Teresa Lopez Rubalcava**, daughter of Timoteo Lopez and Maria Anastacia Rubalcava, was born on 31 May 1873 in El Sagrario, Aguascalientes, Aguascalientes, Mexico. She died about 1929 in Ciudad Lerdo, Durango, Mexico.

Notes for Teresa Lopez Rubalcava:  
[Lopez..FTW]

This record is also suspect. The record used had the Mother's name as Modesta. The question whether Modesta was the same person as Anastasia was answered by looking at the church records. It is odd that another Timoteo Lopez would marry another Rubalcava at the same church, in the same town! However something else may have happened. The grandparents for both christenings are different so these seem to be different families. However, she happens to be the only Teresa which shows up in the records we reviewed. She may be the correct Teresa, However, if Modesta is Anastacia's sister and she is noted as being the mother. All the rest of the data is very close to the right person, up to the location of the church! The family story indicates that Teresa never married the father of Aureliano, and his name seems to be lost. Aureliano was raised by his grandparents, Timoteo and Anastacia. The family moved from Aguascalientes to Lerdo, Durango because of the fact that Teresa was pregnant with Aureliano outside of wedlock. Teresa Lopez Rubalcava and Unknown had the following child:

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### Generation 3

6. **Timoteo Lopez**, son of Jose Francisco Lopez and Teresa Fuentes, was born in 1841 in Belen, Teocaltiche, Jalisco, Mexico. He died date Unknown in Ciudad Lerdo, Durango, Mexico. He married **Maria Anastacia Rubalcava** on 23 Apr 1862 in Nuestra Senora De Los Dolores, Teocaltiche, Jalisco, Mex..
7. **Maria Anastacia Rubalcava**, daughter of Jose Modesto Robalcava and Maria Celestina Villalobos, was born on 02 May 1842 in Canada Grande ,Teocaltiche, Jalisco, Mexico. She died date Unknown in Ciudad Lerdo, Durango, Mexico.

Notes for Timoteo Lopez:  
[Lopez..FTW]

Timoteo and Anastacia were Aureliano's grandparents and raised him. He called them Mama and Papa. The dates which are shown are suspect and have not been verified. They were found in the files of the LDS church records and although they fit pretty well there are some discrepancies which need to be corrected or verified. Family history indicates that Timoteo came from Zacatecas. However, there is a corner of Zacatecas which adjoins Jalisco and Aguascalientes. Family history indicates that Anastacia came from Teocaltiche, Zacatecas. I found the record of a Teresa Lopez Rubalcaba that was born in Teocaltiche, Jalsico! However, I havenever found the record for Timoteo Lopez. This despite years of searching. It appears that the family moves to Aguascalietes, not far from Teocaltiche for several children. Since the family history puts Teresa being born in Teocaltiche, I show the family going back to Jalisco.

Timotoeo had a store, an Mexican version of a general store, and evidently a ranch. Refugio according to stories from Blasa was a fine horsewoman and tended the ranch for Timoteo. According to Tia Silvia Lopez, Refugio married and moved to Chihuahua, Chihuahua. She returned to Lerdo only for the funeral of Timoteo. According to Jesus Canales Lopez, Since all the other heirs to the Lopez estate had left Mexico and started new lives in the US, Refugio sold off all the assets and kept them for herself.

Notes for Maria Anastacia Rubalcava:  
[Lopez..FTW]

This information about Anastacia is suspect just as the information about Timoteo. The record included her parents name. Because of the fact that Spanish names are spelled phonetically there are several different ways of spelling Rubalcava. Since a v and a b are interchangeable, and an o and a u could sound the same it could be spelled: Robalcava, Robalcaba, or Rubalcava, Rubalcaba!

We know little about Anastacia since most of the stories Aureliano had were of his grandfather. If the record is to be believed, the date was transcribed incorrectly. We figure the date would need to be closed to Timoteo. The date on the record is 1855. We changed it to 1845. The only way to check the 1855 date is to go to the church record and see if there was an error. All of the other aspects of the record makes sense.

Maria Anastacia Rubalcava and Timoteo Lopez had the following children:

- i. Maria Jesus Lopez was born on 03 Aug 1863 in Nuestra Senora De Los Dolores, Teocaltiche, Jalisco, Mexico.
- ii. Maria Barbara del Refugio Lopez was born on 06 Dec 1864 in El Senor Del Encino, Aguascalientes, Aguascalientes, Mexico. She died date Unknown.

Notes for Maria Barbara del Refugio Lopez:  
[Lopez..FTW]

This record is not verified. One problem with this individual is that Anastacio would