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Weslaco man becomes sixth Hidalgo County fatality after testing positive for COVID-19

Edinburg - A 71-year-old Weslaco man became the sixth Hidalgo County fatality after testing positive for COVID-19, Hidalgo County Judge Richard F. Cortez said Tuesday. The unidentified man had underlying medical conditions as did the five others in the county who died from complications related to this strain of coronavirus.

"A key part of our objective from the beginning of this pandemic was to protect our most vulnerable residents," Judge Cortez said. "News of Tuesday's death is another painful reminder that this disease is particularly hard on our elderly and those with underlying medical conditions. Our prayers go out to this man's family."

New COVID-19 positive cases Tuesday	5
Total COVID-19 positive cases in Hidalgo County	315
Number in area hospitals on Tuesday	17
Number of hospitalized patients in intensive care units	3
Number released from isolation on Tuesday	7
Total released from isolation	162
Number of fatalities on Tuesday	1
Total number of fatalities	6
Total number of COVID-19 tests administered	3,897
Total number of tests that are positive	315
Total number of tests that are negative	3,470
Total number of tests pending results	112

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The latest five include:

Gender	City	Age range
Female	Undisclosed	40s
Female	San Juan	50s
Female	San Juan	50s
Male	Mercedes	50s
Female	Pharr	40s

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