

Mrs. Biscailuz, Relative of Sheriff, Dies

Descendant of Pioneer
California Family
Succumbs to Seizure

Mrs. Anita Lopez De Biscailuz, 70, of Newhall, aunt of Sheriff Eugene W. Biscailuz, died early today of a heart attack at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Juanita Biscailuz de Colton, Long Beach.

Death ended illness and confinement of more than two years for Mrs. Biscailuz, only a few weeks after she had been taken to Long Beach from her Newhall home in the hope that she would benefit by a seaside sojourn.

Her widower, William Biscailuz, on retirement after 35 years service with the Standard Oil Co., is the brother of the late Martin Biscailuz, father of the Sheriff.

Early Day Belle

Mrs. Biscailuz was a belle of the early days, noted for her beauty and accomplishments as a harpist and singer.

She was baptized in the Old Plaza Church and her wedding in the San Fernando Mission Chapel, 53 years ago, was a gala event that lasted almost a week.

Mrs. Biscailuz was a member of one of the first California Spanish families, a direct lineal descendant of Claudio Lopez who came from Spain and entered California as a member of Fra Junipero Serra's mission-founding expedition.

He was major domo for the Mission Father, superintending the construction of the mission San Gabriel and the Mission San Fernando.

Relatives Mourn

Mrs. Biscailuz leaves 11 of 13 children, including Mrs. Colton, Mrs. Clara Biscailuz de Cooke, Long Beach; Mrs. Honorina Biscailuz de Cockburn, Los Angeles, Mrs. Annie Biscailuz de Curley, Newhall; Raymond Biscailuz, Newhall; Valentine Biscailuz, Wilmington; William Biscailuz, Huntington Beach; Roland Biscailuz, Los Angeles; and Mrs. Joan Rice, Long Beach.

Mrs. Pedro Lopez of San Fernando, widow of the long-time San Fernando constable, is a sister-in-law.

Mrs. Biscailuz left also a brother, Ray Lopez of Madera, and a sister, Mrs. Florida Elliott of North Hollywood, and several grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Rosary service will be recited at 8 p.m. tomorrow in the Noble Chapel, San Fernando, followed by requiem mass Saturday morning in the Newhall Catholic Church, with burial in Oakwood Cemetery, Chatsworth.