

1. The restaurant is named “ Coahuila” What is the significance of its name?

M: Its significance is the town we lived and grew up in Mexico.

2. What was the journey in your arrival?

M: I was 15 when my oldest brother brought us into the borders of the United States in a car with all my siblings. It was not a difficult arrival; it felt like a new beginning.

3. How did you feel leaving behind everything you knew and coming into a different country?

M: I felt Amazing,excited, happy because I was coming to a different country with my family and I was gonna study and live a different life.

4. How was the first year in the restaurant? The good times and the bad.

M: It was a good experience because I was cooking and eating my favorite foods, the good times were best spent in the restaurant because I was close to my family. Everything was good, business was always doing well and busy.

5. What was your typical routine everyday life working in the restaurant?

M: In the morning we would wake up at 7 in the morning, I helped my father clean the restaurant before people would arrive and prepare food. My job was to wake up early in the morning, clean, and prepare orders as a waitress. Around 5 pm is when I would get off work from the restaurant.

6. What are some special moments/events that took place in “Coahuila”?

M: Special moment was the beginning when we opened the restaurant we celebrated. We made an opening event and invited people from next door to come and eat at our restaurant. This was the best memory because I saw my parents very happy. Only my

nephews birthdays and nieces birthdays would be celebrated in the restaurant with the family.

7. Were any cultural traditions celebrated in the restaurant?

M: We celebrated cinco de mayo, we invited customers to come and celebrate and we threw a party to celebrate Mexican culture and our hometown. The events were always so nice people were singing, dancing, eating and drinking.

8. What is one of the best memories you have in the restaurant?

M: The best memories are spent working with my siblings. It was always fun, especially working close to my parents. It felt like back home in Mexico.

9. How would you describe or define the impact of the restaurant on your community?

M: The community was very happy and said, "Best tacos in town" . The community became a part of the restaurant as it celebrated the culture and the immigrants who also migrated to the United States. The restaurant made the community feel like a place to call "Home".

10. Having a restaurant close by the church did you form a relationship as a community with the people and did they come to eat after church?

M: Yes, Sunday was the best time because it was busy due to people coming after church.

We were very friendly with the church and its community of people.

11. What is one word you would describe this journey?

M: Lucky.

12. How would you describe or define the impact of the restaurant on your family?

M: Made a wish come true, I felt like a dreamer and as if my life was a long dream. The restaurant allowed my parents to fulfill their life and live a dream they've always dreamt of. This was the happiest moment of my family's life.

13. What is one word to define the Restaurant?

M: Family.