



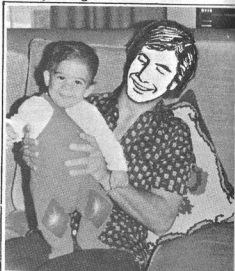
Abuela with Davidito

**THESE FANTASTIC OFFERS.** Dad became so indignant he threatened to blast them all away at our next family fiesta for not loving their own family member, Davidito!

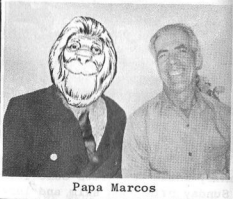
**30. SO THE NEXT SUNDAY CARLOS' WHOLE FAMILY CAME FOR LUNCH** but there was no blasting session as proposed because each of them showed a very sweet spirit. Dad kept toasting to "Amor!" and offering wine to Carlos' older sister Conchi. It was so cute seeing how relaxed and happy she became.

**31. CARLOS AND CONCHI SAT TOGETHER ON THE COUCH AND LISTENED INTENTLY TO DAD'S STORY OF ABRAHIM** and the gypsies, and confessed that they were both from gypsy heritage too! Lucy sang beautifully with her guitar, and

Dad, as always, cried after hearing the gypsy songs, "Mountain Children" and "Gypsies Led By Abraham", some of his favourite family songs.



Carlos with Davidito.--9 mos.

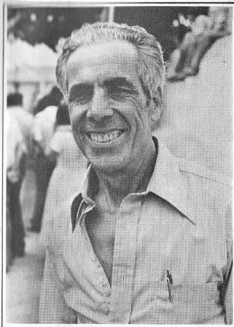


Papa Marcos

**32. DURING THE AFTERNOON DAD MADE SOME POINTED COMMENTS** directed to the whole family that they should be very thankful to God for such a beautiful grandson, and little boy cousin, Davidito. At the end of the evening Dad wanted to know what we could give the family, and Conchi went home with a brand new big tape recorder and tapes and the

Abuela with a beautiful big wooden deer which had had a special place in the living room. They both left crying with happiness! Praise the Lord!

**33. DAVIDITO'S GRANDFATHER, WHO WE CALL "PAPA MARCOS", IS THE SWEETEST OF THEM ALL.** He has the face of a saint, Dad says, and in one of the most beautiful shy old men you've ever met, with



beautiful thick grey hair and big brown wise eyes. He's very brown and thin, and always dressed in his old, stained banana-picking clothes. He wears big rubber boots, and his hands are huge and rough and calloused.

**34. PAPA MARCOS SHYLY AND QUIETLY EXPRESSED HIS LOVE AND CONCERN FOR DAVIDITO.** He called him a "Chicharrero", which means a native of the island. Although Papa Marcos never was outspoken enough to say so, he really loved Davidito as a grandson, and

seemed to be ashamed of how Carlos and the others wouldn't accept him as a part of their family.



**35. PAPA MARCOS HELPED DAD AND**

**THE BOYS** put up a wire fence around the pool so Davidito wouldn't fall in, and he'd do some gardening work for us when we'd ask him to please come visit us. Dad had to give him a little something to do for us in order to get Papa Marcos to accept a small gift; otherwise he was too shy and proud to accept Dad's offer of help.

**36. PAPA MARCOS LATER BROUGHT DAVIDITO TWO FURRY LITTLE RABBITS** to play in the garden! Maybe the Lord gave that particular family such a special baby as Davidito to honour Papa Marcos' faith and love. We always considered him the most deserving of all the family.

**37. HE AND ABUELA HAD LOST A MUCH LOVED SON IN A FATAL WORKING ACCIDENT** right there in our village of Durazo when the boy was only 8 years old, and their daughter Conchi and husband wanted a very much to have a son.

**38. DAD SAW A VISION OF THE DEAD SON, "Isidro",** now as a strong young man leader or commander in Heaven, in charge of