



Carmen Figueroa Alvarez

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CARMEN “Monsita” FIGUEROA ALVAREZ, loving wife, mother, grandmother, sister, and friend. She left this world on February 12, 2022, at the age of 73 at Baptist Hospital in Miami, Florida.

She was born to Angel and Eva Figueroa in Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico on May 1, 1948. After living in Puerto Rico, then Brooklyn, New York, the Figueroa Family established their permanent residence in South Florida. As the oldest of 8 brothers and sisters, Carmen was a parent before her time but, family was the epicenter of everything she did. She graduated from Miami Central Senior High while working for Southern Bell. It was during that time she met her first husband, Jose Azel, they had 2 children, Daniel & Michelle. She loved to dance, read, and laugh and was constantly surrounded by extended family and friends.

One fateful evening her extended cousins took her out to a private club, El Don Quixote, where she met Armando and began the next chapter of her life. Their marriage of nearly 47 years was admirable in so many ways, they were inseparable and still they were always surrounded by extras! We lovingly called our home the halfway house, a place where so many sought advice, help, food, or shelter. Carmen was a surrogate to cousins, friends, children of friends, and even strangers. She loved spending time in the kitchen, creating delicious meals for her family. There was always enough for everyone and always an extra place setting or two at our table.

She was curious and crafty; Painting, cross-stitching, ceramics, cake decorating, and mastered a variety of worldly cuisines. After 32 years of service with the phone company she retired and later pursued her passion for cooking with a degree from Le Cordon Blu. Even after retirement, they decided to help the most vulnerable and began fostering children. They fostered several children before receiving the call about a possible new-born who needed placement. Instantly after meeting the baby in the NICU, she knew this was her calling and took her home 30 days later. Amelie was officially adopted but was “ours” the minute she came home-the baby of our family. Selfless acts were common for Carmen as was her fierce love and passion for her family.



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Carmen is survived by her husband Armando Alvarez, Son, Daniel Azel, Daughters Michelle Belaire and Amelie Alvarez, Father Angel M. Figueroa, Brother Angel Figueroa, Sisters, Nydia Soto, Evelyn Zayas, Elba Cruz, Susie Bonilla, and Lucy Hernandez and Grandchildren, Andres, Alejandra, Sage, Anise and, several nieces and nephews.

A viewing is scheduled from 6:30-10:00 PM on Tuesday, March 1, 2022, at Memorial Plan Westchester Funeral Home. The funeral procession will leave Westchester at 1PM towards Dade South Memorial Park (14200 SW 117th Avenue, Miami 33186) Wednesday, March 2, 2022 for a 1:30 PM service.





Events

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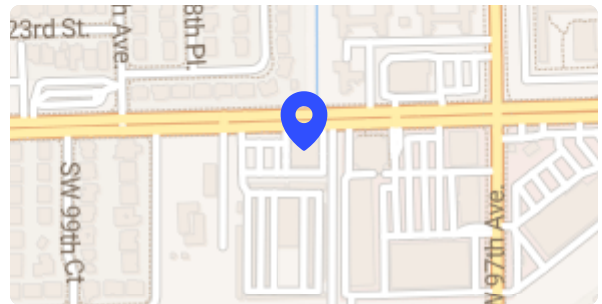
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Visitation

 **Tuesday**, March 1, 2022

 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM ET


 **Memorial Plan Westchester Funeral Home**
9800 SW 24th Street, Miami FL 33165

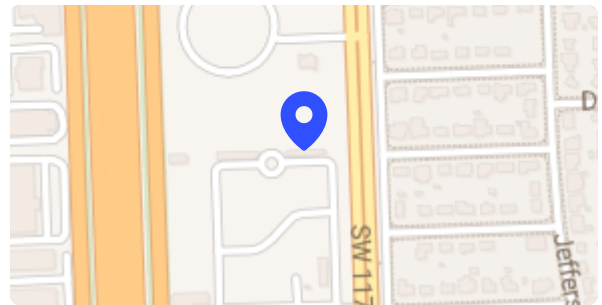


Burial


 **Wednesday**, March 2, 2022

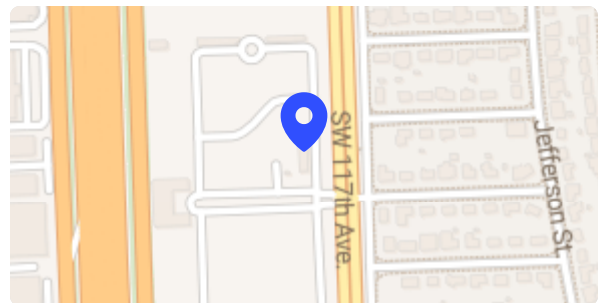
 1:30 PM - 2:00 PM ET

 **Dade South Memorial Park**
14200 Sw 117th Ave, Miami FL 33176



Cemetery Details

 **Caballero Rivero Dade South**
14200 SW 117 Ave, Miami FL 33186





Tribute Wall

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LR

Lucas Bellairs-Romero lit a candle in honor of Carmen.

February 28 at 2:52 PM



GF

Gladys Figueroa lit a candle in honor of Carmen.

February 28 at 2:50 PM



GO

Gladys Figueroa Osorio lit a candle in honor of Carmen.

February 28 at 2:49 PM



ER

Emily Bellairs-Romero posted:

Monsita fue más que una prima para mí. Fue mi hermana. Siempre vivirá en mi corazón. La extraño grandemente, pero se que nos volveremos a ver. Te quiero mucho querida hermana. Gladys

February 28 at 2:41 PM

IM

Isabel C. Menéndez Martinez posted:

Querido Armandito, nuestros pensamientos y rezos están contigo y toda la familia. Los queremos mucho, tu hermano José y Primos Braulio, Isa, Maggy, Manolito, Benny, y Yuyi.

February 28 at 12:35 PM

JF

Janet Figueroa lit a candle in honor of Carmen.

Carmen, will always be In my heart, a loving caring person, someone I admired and respected. I will miss very much!! May you rest in peace and once again be with Mama and Luis! Love Janet

February 28 at 11:31 AM





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Melissa Lorenzo Medina posted:

Mom was a giving soul and lived to welcome friends and family from near and wide. It was always a joy to be in her company. She loved her children fearlessly and was devoted to her family. I pray that the Lord continues to provide your family peace in knowing how much she was loved. ~Melissa Lorenzo Medina and Family

February 24 at 2:56 AM



Emily Bellairs-Romero February 28 at 9:23 AM

My tia Monsita was a force to be reckoned with! She taught me to stand up for what I believe in, and for that I will forever be grateful. May her strength of spirit continue to shine through all of us. Te quiero mucho Tia! Mily



Vicki Abreu February 24 at 3:38 AM

A beautiful soul inside and out and loved by all. May God provide the family with strength & comfort to endure this pain. Rest in eternal peace Beautiful lady 🙏 I Love you ❤️



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Carmen by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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