



## Margarita Hernandez

September 23, 2024

Margarita Hernandez, 80, went home to her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, on September 23, 2024, surrounded by her devoted family. Born in Dilley, Texas, she spent her childhood playing outdoors on the prairies with her beloved brothers and sisters.

Margarita was a woman of many talents and passions. She enjoyed gardening, baking, and leaving loving comments for her family and friends on Facebook. A lifelong fan of the Seattle Mariners, Dallas Cowboys, and Gonzaga basketball, Margarita always cheered her teams on with passion. She also had a deep connection with her faith, actively participating in Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church. Her life was centered on her involvement in Mass, choir, the Sacred Heart Guild, and the Cursillo Movement. She blessed everyone as they left her home, offering words of faith and protection. Her strong devotion to Jesus and the Virgin Mary guided her throughout her life. She began working as a farm laborer in Texas before moving to Moses Lake, Washington, with her family in 1958. Margarita had nine children, whom she cherished dearly. She was blessed by her first child at age 15 and her youngest at age 40. She was married in 1959 and welcomed 5 beloved children into the world: Cindy (who lived 1 day), Debbie, Bonnie, Danny, and Little Noonie (Leland Jr.). After her divorce, Margarita became a single mother, working tirelessly to provide for her children. In 1972, Margarita met the love of her life, Hector Hernandez. Together they had four beautiful children: Mary, Genoveva, Florentino, and Isidra. One of the greatest

challenges Margarita faced was when her son, Little Noonie, was diagnosed with leukemia in 1970. For six years, she supported him through countless treatments which required long stays in Seattle. His passing in 1976 left a void in her heart, but she remained resilient in her faith and love for her family. From a young age, Margarita's life was dedicated to her family and included helping to raise Genoveva's boys, Nick Bailey and Richie Ambris, and Juanita's boys, Davey and Dylan Smouse.

Margarita was an amazing cook, always greeting her guests with the phrase, "¿Ya comiste?" (Did you eat already?). Her specialties, such as tamales, enchiladas, caldo de res, biscuits, potato soup, and strawberry pound cake trifle were staples at family gatherings.

Margarita also loved music, dancing, and attending celebrations with her extended family. Her lively footwork at family fiestas was legendary. Nothing meant more to her than her family. She leaves behind a legacy of devotion, resilience, and joy. Perhaps now, in the peace of Heaven, you will finally meet Elvis, Margarita. We are blessed to know you are watching over us from above. Rest in peace, dear Mama. You will be deeply missed, but your love and light will remain in our hearts forever.

Margarita is survived by her children Debbie (Gerardo) Perez, Bonnie (Rey) Rodriguez, Danny (Jennifer) Jones, Mary (Eric) Hatfield, Genoveva (Robert) Ambris, Florentino (Chrissy) Hernandez and Isidra Hernandez (Jason Tusa), 16 grandchildren, 13 great grandchildren and 3 great great grandchildren. Margarita was preceded in death by her husband, Hector Hernandez, her children: Cindy Jones and Leland Jones, Jr (Little Noonie), her parents Antonia and Gerardo Garcia, grandson Juan M. Vasquez (Pooky), sister Ramona Rodriguez, and brothers Marcelino Garcia and Alvino Garcia.

# Cemetery Details

## Guarding Angels Cemetery

2595 Road L N.E.  
Moses Lake, WA 98837  
(509) 765-7848

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **30**. 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM (PT)

Kayser's Chapel of Memories  
831 S. Pioneer Way  
Moses Lake, WA

## Rosary

OCT **1**. 10:00 AM (PT)

Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church  
200 N. Dale Road  
Moses Lake, WA

## Mass

OCT **1**. 10:30 AM (PT)

Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church  
200 N. Dale Road  
Moses Lake, WA



# Tribute Wall

TA

“ *Trina Alfaro lit a candle in memory of Margarita Hernandez* ”



Trina Alfaro - October 02, 2024 at 11:39 PM

AG

“ *Abigail Gonzales lit a candle in memory of Margarita Hernandez* ”



Abigail Gonzales - September 30, 2024 at 11:54 AM

RV

“ *Rich Victor lit a candle in memory of Margarita Hernandez* ”



Rich Victor - September 30, 2024 at 10:22 AM

SR

“ *Sylvia Reyna lit a candle in memory of Margarita Hernandez* ”



Sylvia Reyna - September 28, 2024 at 12:15 AM

OB

“ *Oralia Brown lit a candle in memory of Margarita Hernandez*



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**Oralia Brown** - September 26, 2024 at 09:22 AM

JM

“ *Julie martinez lit a candle in memory of Margarita Hernandez*



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**Julie martinez** - September 25, 2024 at 06:59 PM

NL

“ *Maggie Hernandez always had her doors open to anyone she touched with a lovely heart. I remember when we were kids she would let her kids and the neighbors kids play baseball in her back yard. She would always pick up a conversation and bless me. Rest in paradise sweet Maggie Hernandez* 💕🙏💕



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**Naomi Luna** - September 25, 2024 at 05:34 PM



*Rest in peace Maggie.sincere condolences to all family!! Long time Texas friend!! Since 1959/1960* 🌸🌸💕🌸🌸

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**Esmeralda Alvarado** - September 25, 2024 at 06:12 PM



**Esmeralda Alvarado** - September 25, 2024 at 06:14 PM



*Rest in peace prima*

**1st cousin** - September 25, 2024 at 08:32 PM