



Maria Y Martinez

April 3, 1945 - November 9, 2020

Maria Y. Martinez, a long time resident of Moses Lake, was called home to be with our Lord and Savior on November 9, 2020 with her family by her side.

Maria was born on April 3, 1945 in Mercedes, Tx to Federico Torres and Genoveva Vento.

She grew up in Brownsville TX and the surrounding area.

She met the love of her life Cesar Martinez in San Benito TX and were married in Albuquerque, NM in 1962. They moved to Washington state in 1966 when Cesar got a job with the U&I Sugar plant. Maria stayed home to raise the children. Once the children were older she began working at Carnation/Simplot where she retired in 2000 after working there for 21 years.

Maria was a beautiful woman of God who was saved at a very young age. She would share her faith and witness to anyone that was willing to listen. She was a founding member of three churches in Moses Lake, Sendero Life Center, La Iglesia De La Prophecias and Say Yes Lord Ministries. Maria had a special place in her heart when it came to children and was a Sunday school teacher to several children for many years. She was also a Missionetts teacher too many young girls.

Maria had a passion for cooking. Her skills for making delicious food let her to

cater many weddings and quinceanera's . When she wasn't in the kitchen she could be found tending to her amazing flowerbeds. Maria was also a very talented seamstress she also enjoyed crocheting and making jewelry. Maria also took great care of her husband and family. She will be remembered as a kind, loving, humble woman who would help anyone in need.

She is survived by her husband of 58 years, Cesar Martinez, her children Cesar (Francis) Martinez Jr., Niria Martinez, Andrea Martinez and Gabriel Martinez. Grandchildren, Cynthia (Larry) Sterner, Celeste Martinez, Marissa Martinez, Aaron Martinez, Gabriel Martinez Jr. and Christian Martinez. Great grandchildren Crystal, Amari, Matthew, and Alejandro. Brothers Gilberto Torres, Miguel Torres, Rolando Torres, and Antonio Torres, sister and Eloisa (Antonio) Farias, and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents Federico Torres and Genoveva Vento and her sister Anjelica Muniz.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

NOV **20**. 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM (PT)

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

Tribute Wall

VR

“ *My husband Joel and I worked with Maria for many years at Carnation. She was such a hard worker and an absolute joy to work with. She cooked enchiladas for us quite frequently and made the most delicious hot sauce! We looked forward to those potlucks. We loved her and missed her so much after she retired. To her family we send our condolences and just know that she was loved dearly by a lot of people that worked with her.*

Vicki and Joel Rossell - November 18, 2020 at 07:46 PM

JF

“ *My sincerest condolences to all of the family at this very sad time. She was such a warm, friendly and accepting lady. I know she will be missed immensely.*

Julie Weisenburg & Family - November 18, 2020 at 05:29 PM

KM

“ *It was my joy to know Maria through our mutual friend and sister Patti. We spent many hours with this beautiful lady in her home, at Women's group and in Tri Cities after Patti relocated there.*

My favorite thing she would say was when people would say they have so many burdens on their lap. She would always in her own beautiful way gently but firmly remind us that when you hit your knees your burdens fall off your lap.

Maria's gentle spirit will never be forgotten.

K L McCormick - November 17, 2020 at 09:35 AM

MC

“ *Sister María Martínez a very loving, kind ,respectful and servant of the LORD JESUS .*

Sister Maria's beautiful smile ,and laughter will never be forgotten,her reaching out to those in need ,and sharing the LORD JESUS gospel was always her priority. She wanted all to Know Jesus so they could be saved ,and follow the LORD. Sister Maria wanted everyone to have their name written in the book of life ,and have eternal life . Love you forever Sister Maria ❤️

Mary Lou Cedillo - November 16, 2020 at 05:54 PM