



Elia G. Mendez

April 10, 1950 - July 8, 2019

RACINE - Elia G. (nee: Cruz) Mendez, 69, passed away on Monday, July 8, 2019 at Villa of Lincoln Park.

She was born in Racine on April 10, 1950, the daughter of the late George and Argentina (nee: Guyllen) Cruz. On June 22, 1985, Elia was united in marriage with Rodrigo 'Jerry' Mendez. She enjoyed reading, drinking tea, listening to her "oldie's" music, most of all, she loved spending time with her family, her dog, Harley, and especially her grandchildren.

Elia is survived by her children, Erica (Jeffrey) Rodriguez and Joe (Debbie) Vasquez; grandchildren, Ryan, Gaby, Nick, Isabella, and Ellyanah; sisters, Mary Cruz, Ermalinda (Mike) Nelson and Esther (Ralph) Hall; brothers, George Jr, David and Larry Cruz. She is further survived by nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Elia was preceded in death by her husband, Rodrigo 'Jerry' Mendez on March 21, 2016 and her sister, Sylvia LaCosse.

Funeral services will be held at Sturino Funeral Home on Friday, July 12, 2019 at 11 a.m. There will be a visitation at the funeral home before services from 10 a.m. until time of service. Elia will be laid to rest next to her husband at Calvary Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials to the family would be greatly appreciated.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

Racine, WI

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 12. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Sturino Funeral Home
3014 Northwestern Avenue
Racine, WI 53404
(262) 632-4479
info@sturinofuneralhome.com

Funeral Service

JUL 12. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Rest in peace Elia, no more pain and back with Jerry. You will be deeply missed by John and me and I'll remember all the laughs we had together. It was a joy to have you as a sister-in-law. Please give Jerry a big hug for us! Until we meet again!

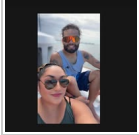
Barb Mendez - July 11, 2019 at 10:03 PM

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“ Elia,
You were one of a kind!! There's not a memory that doesn't have you in it! From little on, you were and always will be myBig Sister”, I remember the days you would call me out of school so I could play hooky n spend the day with you, we would have coffee n smoke cigarettes or we would walk to DeRango's when it was on High St, the memories of when you n Jerry 1st met n all of the dates you two went on, to playing cards, our version of Win,Lose, or Draw, lol, we had such GREAT times n the BEST memories!! I always thought it was so cool that you and I shared our “love” of the paranormal n also got to experience 2 of the most spookiest stuff EVER!! I'm going to miss our most personal talks, not to mention the phone calls to each other about what we heard or saw or what exciting paranormal show was coming on tv!! My heart is so broke right now, you were my confidant, my phone buddy, my paranormal Hunter n I'm already missing you like crazy!! Th only thing that's giving me comfort is knowing you are without pain n with Jerry n all of our family in Heaven, you seriously left too soon, but being the LADY that you are, you left peacefully n quietly..I Love you always n forever my sweet beautiful Elia



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“ May mother rest in paradise along with my dad ❤️❤️



erica mendez - July 09, 2019 at 08:37 PM



Rest in peace Elia.

Bertha Renteria - July 09, 2019 at 09:32 PM