



Ermalinda "Shorty" Nelsen

May 4, 1951 - January 31, 2023

Ermalinda "Shorty" (nee: Cruz) Nelsen, 71, passed away peacefully at home with her family at her side on January 31, 2023.

Shorty was born on May 4, 1951 to George and Argentina (nee: Guyllon) Cruz.

She was united in marriage to Michael Nelsen on May 4, 1991.

Shorty was a graduate of Washington Park High School. She worked at Western Publishing Company for many years. Shorty enjoyed decorating her house and dancing, and her favorite pastime was shopping. She loved spending time with her family, watching movies, and eating popcorn with a Pepsi.

Shorty will be missed by her husband Michael; daughter, Tracy (Santiago) Bernal; sons, Joshua Garcia, Jason Garcia, and Jeffrey (Hollymae) Garcia; stepson, Adam (Rochelle) Nelsen; step-daughter, Erica Nelsen; 18 grandchildren and two great-grandsons; sisters, Esther (Ralph) Hall, and Mary Cruz; brothers, George, Larry, and David Cruz; and many other nieces, nephews, family members, and friends.

She is preceded in death by her parents, George and Argentina; sisters, Sylvia LaCosse and Elia Mendez; granddaughter, Erin Marie Eiben; and niece, Kimberly LaCosse.

Services for Shorty will be held at Sturino Funeral Home on Saturday, February 11th, 2023, at 11:00 a.m. with cremation to follow. Visitation will be held from 9:30 a.m. until the time of service.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 11. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Sturino Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ermalinda "Shorty" Nelsen*



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“ *Aunt Jean and I send our deepest sympathy's
To you Jason, Josh, Jeffrey and Tracy. Your Mom was very proud of
you all.
To Dave, our sympathies go out to you. Shorty was a big part of your
life.
Finally to Mike and your children.
We pray that good memories will soon overtake hurtful ones during
her last weeks of life.
We were and still are in Arizona making it impossible for us to give
our condolences in person.
A very sincere,
Andy and Jean Garcia*

Andy Garcia - February 20, 2023 at 05:04 PM



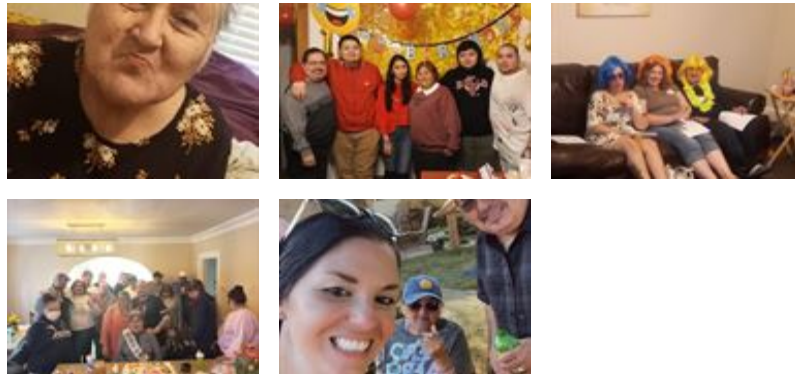
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“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Ermalinda "Shorty" Nelsen.



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“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Ermalinda "Shorty" Nelsen.*



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“ *Thank you for being such a good soulalthough I didn't know you personally, through your sons videos that he shared with the world, it definitely shows your family will miss you deeply. May you rest in heaven peacefully.*

Julie - February 06, 2023 at 08:01 PM