



## Maria Reyes

April 6, 2020

Maria Reyes was born May 7, 1941 to Patricio and Ana Mercedes Reyes in the Dominican Republic. Maria immigrated to the United States in October of 1964 and made a home for her family in New York where she lived out the remaining years of her blessed and beautiful life. Maria worked in retail and as a window designer in Manhattan for many years. With a strong love for helping others, Maria was often found cooking for neighbors, friends and family; as well as having company over to enjoy music, laughs, and conversation. What Maria loved most of all was beautiful flowers and photos of her loved ones. When you walked into her cozy home you would be instantly greeted by family pictures, telling the tales of how loved she was and how deeply she loved others. A true ray of light in the world, a light which was too soon extinguished. Maria returned to the embrace of the Lord on April 6, 2020. Preceded by her late husband Rafael S. Martinez and leaving behind her heartbroken and devoted children Ana M. Rivero and her husband Roney D. Rivero, Dr. Soraya Sawicki and her husband Chet J. Sawicki, Rafael Martinez Jr, and Eddie Martinez and his wife Julissa Perreaux Martinez. Maria was a beloved Grandmother and Great Grandmother to her grandson Roney C. Rivero, her grandson Luis R. Crespo Jr. and his wife Joselyn Crespo and their son Esteban Crespo, her granddaughter Stephanie M. Crespo and her children Kialisse-Shannel Santana, Justin E. Fontanez, and Franco C. Cabrera. her grandson Steven M. Crespo and his wife Casey A. Repetti and their son Steven A. Crespo, her grandson Rafael M. Martinez, her

granddaughter Alichia Abreu and her husband Aaron R. Henriquez, her grandson Edriss Martinez, her granddaughter Jayda Lopez and her great grandson Aaron R. Henriquez Jr. Also, survived by her sisters Enriqueta Cabrera and her husband Pedro Cabrera, Altagracia Reyes and her husband Miguel Castillo and all her nieces and nephews.

John 11:25,26

“Jesus said, I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die”

Please light a candle and say a prayer in her honor in lieu of flowers.

# Tribute Wall

JP

“ *In my life I had never met such a wonderful, beautiful, kind soul. You truly lived without judging others, you were so kind, affectionate and loving. You are truly missed, "la comadre" like you and her called each other, "la morena" misses you and to this day asks for you, and your baby grandson, "lingilin" will forever carry you in his heart. You were the one person I could talk to for hours and always had so much to talk about with. Your son has the same heart as you and I promise to always take care of him and protect him as you did. Rest in peace, this world had nothing left to give you. You truly lived like Jesus, serving to your last breath, giving your last penny, always looking to see who or how you could be of service to all. I miss you, but I know that the way you lived, I have to get it right to see you in the kingdom of heaven because for sure I know you will be there. I love you...*

*Till we meet again...*

*JP-M*

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**Julissa Perreaux** - December 29, 2020 at 04:33 PM

KR

“ *No existen palabras para expresar lo que sentimos porque pasaste de ser nuestra tía política a formar parte de nuestras vidas y nuestros corazones al bautizar a uno de nuestros hijos y eso trasciende a todo tipo de relación entre los seres humanos, si empezamos a enumerar sus cualidades sólo los hechos serían los llamados a gritarlos a los cuatro vientos. Nos queda pedirle al Altísimo que te dé la paz eterna y esperamos verte allá. A sus hijos, que también son nuestros, tengan resignación y consuelo que estamos junto ustedes en estos y siempre. Los amamos.*

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**Katt y Ricucho** - April 12, 2020 at 04:31 PM

ES

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Elizabeth Sanchez - April 11, 2020 at 03:13 PM

ES

Elizabeth Sanchez,cousin); Wedding  
> @ Stony Brook Long Island.[08/18/90].

Elizabeth Sanchez - April 11, 2020 at 03:21 PM

AR

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Ana Rivero - April 11, 2020 at 09:43 AM

RR

“ *Madre amada, nuestros corazones están rotos, nuestras vidas tienen un gran vacío, nos dejaste tan rápido que nos cuesta aceptar que ya no te veremos, que ya no oiremos tu voz. Nos queda en el recuerdo tu linda sonrisa, tu ternura, el profundo amor que nos dabas. Solo nos queda pedirle a Dios que te reciba en su Reino y nos de fuerzas para aceptar su voluntad. Y a ti madrecita pedirte que cuides de tus hijos, que cuides de tu familia y cuides de todos nosotros que tuvimos la dicha de ser parte tu vida. Descansa en Paz mamá María!!!! Nos haces mucha falta 😭🌹*



Roney Rivero - April 11, 2020 at 08:53 AM

ES

“ *Elizabeth Sanchez lit a candle in memory of Maria Reyes*



Elizabeth Sanchez - April 10, 2020 at 12:44 PM

CR

“ *We will miss you, please watch over us and help to heal your family from this tremendous loss. We will love you always.. Rest well in the arms of the Lord.*



Casey Repetti - April 10, 2020 at 12:37 PM



“ *Abuela I'm lost in words and lost in thoughts. You were the joy,the light, the happiness the , love that filled our family a love that we all embrace . Your love will always be cherished in our hearts . I love you so much and I'm sorry I'm sorry I wasnt able to see you in so long and all I have now are my childhood memories that run through my mind memories that never be forgotten. I love you always ralphy*



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**Rafael Rafa** - April 10, 2020 at 12:32 PM



“ *I will never forget waking up to the best breakfast.. I love you, Grandma.*

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**Steven Crespo** - April 10, 2020 at 12:23 PM

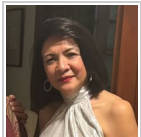


“ *Alisha Abreu lit a candle in memory of Maria Reyes*



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**Alisha Abreu** - April 10, 2020 at 12:21 PM



“ *Suk-Yien Sang Ben lit a candle in memory of Maria Reyes*



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**Suk-Yien Sang Ben** - April 10, 2020 at 12:20 PM

CS

“ We say goodbye to mommy today.  
I will always miss the way you said my name Chester, Chester.  
You will always be in my heart. I love you mommy!  
Rest in peace.

Your Son in law  
Chet Sawicki

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**Chet Sawicki** - April 10, 2020 at 12:14 PM

MM

“ Milly Melendez lit a candle in memory of  
Maria Reyes



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**Milly Melendez** - April 10, 2020 at 12:11 PM

YM

“ Yadira Martinez lit a candle in memory of  
Maria Reyes



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**Yadira Martinez** - April 10, 2020 at 12:02 PM

RR

“ You were and will always be the heart and soul of this family. Being with you brought me the most happiness and peace i have ever felt. Your laugh was pure magic and the love you had for everyone radiated from you so strongly that we all felt it as we shared the same room as you. You are the best part of us and your memory will never fade like the light you brought to us all. I love you so much.

*Rest in Paradise, Grandma*

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**Roney C Rivero** - April 10, 2020 at 11:46 AM

RR

“ Roney C Rivero lit a candle in memory of Maria Reyes



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**Roney C Rivero** - April 10, 2020 at 11:42 AM

AR

“ Your life was a blessing, your memory a treasure, you are loved beyond words and missed beyond measure. Will forever be in our hearts. Love you Mom ❤️



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**Ana Rivero** - April 10, 2020 at 10:58 AM

Alisha Abreu

“ To my Beautiful Grandmother, Words cannot Explain the hurt I feel this pain is undeniably devastating. You’ve taught me so many things, and have told to accomplish any goal I have in Life. & I will. You didn’t get to meet my son and it’s very heartbreaking but I know your watching over us. I love you Grandma and I am eternally grateful I’ve had someone with such a beautiful Soul in my life.



Alisha Abreu - April 10, 2020 at 10:19 AM



“ Your son Ralph is one of the kindest most caring people I've ever met. God bless u for raising such a wonderful good person. God bless you and your entire family.

Bob Bowen - April 10, 2020 at 07:35 AM

YA

“ Wishing the family peace to bring comfort, courage to face the days ahead and loving memories to forever hold in your heart . Te recordaremos siempre Maria por ser cariñosa y con tu dulce y alegre sonrisa. Gracias por ser parte de mi vida y poder compartir alegres momentos. Tu nieta Jayda y yo siempre te tendremos presente. Que Dios te tenga en su gloria 🙏🙏 ~Yadira y Jayda

Yadira - April 09, 2020 at 11:00 PM

DS

“ Mom

*I have no words that can come close to say what I am feeling right now . The pain is so deep*

*So piercing in my heart, that I feel I can't breath. I feel like I'm suffocating in a nightmare that does not let me wake up .. but I am awake and it is real .. you are not here, you are gone, my calls to you your calls to me, I have your voicemails I could hear your voice !!*

*I will not ever accept this ! It can't be true, that my queen my hero , my mom is not here !! My heart is broken, into millions of pieces !*



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**Dr Sorays Sawicki** - April 09, 2020 at 07:26 PM

DS

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**Dr Sorays Sawicki** - April 09, 2020 at 06:36 PM

SC

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**Stephanie Crespo** - April 09, 2020 at 06:20 PM

DS

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**Dr Sorays Sawicki** - April 09, 2020 at 05:41 PM

SC

“ Beloved Grandmother and Great Grandmother ✨



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**Steven Crespo** - April 09, 2020 at 05:38 PM

LC

“ Tia cuantos recuerdos bonitos tengo de ti me encantaba estar en tu casa y todo lo funny que siempre fuiste siempre me abriste la puerta de tu casa nunca me regañaste siempre tenías un beso un abrazo para mi hablé contigo el día de tu birthday y te dije que estaría en New York pronto a visitarte pero se me Adelantó Dios y no me deajo verte pero todos estaremos algún día juntos de nuevo como en los viejos tiempos I love you y descansa en Paz .

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**Lino Castro** - April 09, 2020 at 04:31 PM

MM

“ I am honored and blessed to have known your mother. She was truly a blessing in my life and I will miss her. She was a mother to me. My condolences.



maritza Morales - April 09, 2020 at 04:17 PM

RM

“ Mom I can't put into words what I'm feeling. I'm coming apart from the inside. If I could've traded places with you on Monday I wouldn't have had to think about it. I would do it over and over again. You told Nydia I was your cross I want you to know that I'm still your cross. Te quiero con toda mi alma. Descansa Mami tu sufristriste mas en una Semana que una vida entera. Yo se que tu simple estara conmigo. Te amo con todo mi corazon. Nos vemos cuando llegue mi dia. I love you Mom

Rafael Martinez - April 09, 2020 at 03:42 PM

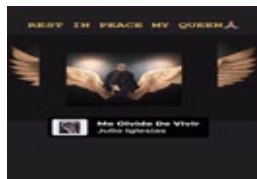
DL

I love you ..

Dr. Soraya Sawicki, LCSW - April 09, 2020 at 04:59 PM

DS

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Dr Sorays Sawicki - April 09, 2020 at 03:40 PM

DS

*Her favorite song !!*

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**Dr. Soraya Sawicki**, - April 09, 2020 at 03:38 PM

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**Dr Sorays Sawicki** - April 09, 2020 at 03:33 PM

MM

“ Rest In Peace God Mother. You will be missed.



Maribel Morales - April 09, 2020 at 03:28 PM

MM

I am honored and blessed to have known your mother. She was truly a blessing in my life and I will miss her. She was like a mother to me. My condolences 🌸🌸🌸

maritza Morales - April 09, 2020 at 03:37 PM

DS

Maritza, she loved you like a daughter, she always said you were also her daughter, we are sisters !!!

Dr. Soraya Sawicki, - April 09, 2020 at 04:46 PM

SC

“ Love u grandma ....Rest in peace 🙏🙏

stephanie crespo - April 09, 2020 at 03:16 PM



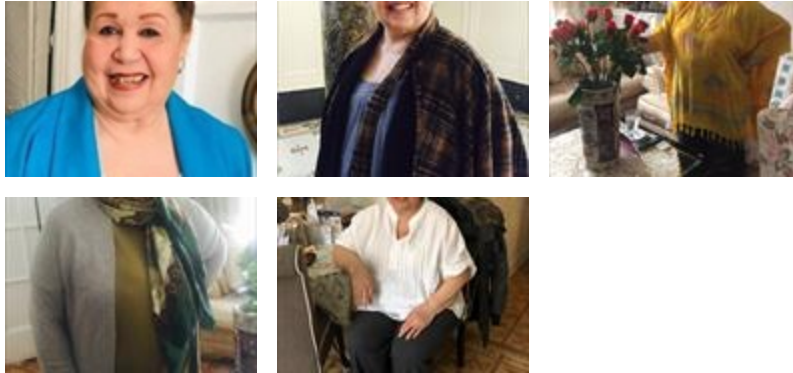
“ Love you Mom! You will forever live through us. Thank you for being such a loving mother. I learned so much from you. Your son Eddie Martinez. May you S.I.P.



Eddie Martinez - April 09, 2020 at 03:14 PM

RO

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Roney - April 09, 2020 at 03:02 PM

DS

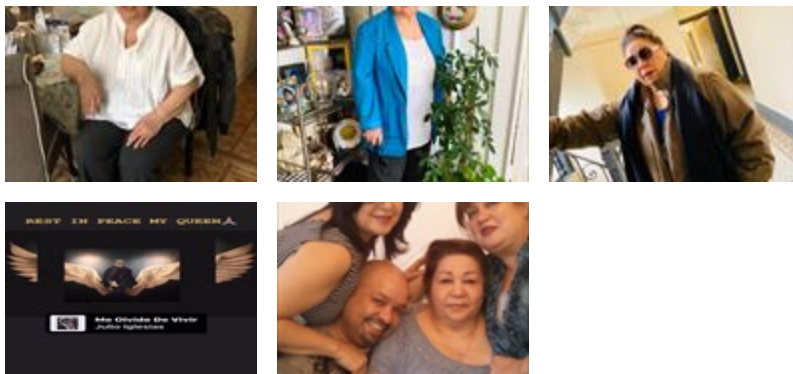
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Dr Sorays Sawicki - April 09, 2020 at 03:00 PM

DS

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Dr Sorays Sawicki - April 09, 2020 at 02:51 PM

DD

“ *Dr. Soraya Sawicki Daughter lit a candle in memory of Maria Reyes*



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**Dr. Soraya Sawicki Daughter** - April 09, 2020 at 02:40 PM

DD

*Mom ...my heart is broken in a Million pieces*

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**Dr. Soraya Sawicki Daughter** - April 09, 2020 at 02:41 PM

CR

“ *Casey Repetti lit a candle in memory of Maria Reyes*



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**Casey Repetti** - April 09, 2020 at 02:22 PM