

In Loving Memory of

Eneida Colon



Sunrise
January 30, 1948

Sunset
July 18, 2015

Service

Thursday, July 23, 2015 - 11:00 a.m.

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

405 W. 125th Street • New York, NY

Obituary

Eneida Colón was born in Cabo Rojo, Puerto Rico to her parents, Primitiva Bracero and Monserrate Rodriguez on January, 30 1948. She had eleven siblings named Clara, Germana (Lela), Aurelia (Nero), Gloria, Monserrate (Tato), Jose (Cheo), Israel, Lucy, Ibis (Vivi), Maria, and Jeanette.

Eneida, affectionately known as “Annie”, attended school in Cabo Rojo, Puerto Rico, and then moved to New York City as a teenager. She obtained a position with the nation’s largest manufacturer of tuxedos, Lord West. She later became a child care provider in her home associated with Salem Family Day Care Center.

Annie met Pedro Colón at a movie theater in the the Bronx, NY in 1970. It was a classic case of “love at first sight.” They later married and moved to Harlem, NYC where they went on together to love and raise their two children, Erica and Pedro.

However, Annie also lovingly helped to care for many children as her role as a child care provider. She was a fun loving person, a great cook, and genuinely loved all the children that passed through her home. This happily gave her the opportunity to also help raise and care for her grandson, Craig, whom she considered the “light and soul of her world.”

On July 18, 2015 at 7:20pm, her heavenly Father called her home to rest. Annie passed away peacefully at home while holding her husband’s hand and surrounded by her loving family.

Annie touched many lives and will be dearly missed. She leaves to cherish her memories: her husband, Pedro Colón; two children, Erica Colón and Pedro Colón; one grandchild, Craig Batchelor; and a host of brothers, sisters, nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

*Lovingly Submitted,
The Colón Family*

Funeral Mass

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Hymn

Greeting

Sprinkling with Holy Water Placing of the Pall

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: Wisdom 3:1-9

Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 23

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:8a

Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

Sermon

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

Offertory Hymn – “Amazing Grace”

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Altar and the Gifts

Eucharistic Prayer

Communion

Communion Hymn – “Eye on the Sparrow”, Ave Maria

Poem – When Great Trees Fall by Maya Angelou

FINAL COMMENDATION

Song of Farewell and Incense

Prayer of Commendation

Recessional Hymn

PROCESSION TO THE PLACE OF COMMITTAL

Interment

St. Raymond's Cemetery • Bronx, New York

When Great Trees Fall

by Maya Angelou

*When great trees fall,
rocks on distant hills shudder,
lions hunker down
in tall grasses,
and even elephants
lumber after safety.*

*When great trees fall
in forests,
small things recoil into silence,
their senses
eroded beyond fear.*

*When great souls die,
the air around us becomes
light, rare, sterile.
We breathe, briefly.
Our eyes, briefly,
see with
a hurtful clarity.
Our memory, suddenly sharpened,
examines,
gnaws on kind words
unsaid,
promised walks
never taken.*

*Great souls die and
our reality, bound to
them, takes leave of us.*

*Our souls,
dependent upon their
nurture,
now shrink, wizened.
Our minds, formed
and informed by their
radiance,
fall away.*

*We are not so much maddened
as reduced to the unutterable ignorance
of dark, cold
caves.*

*And when great souls die,
after a period peace blooms,
slowly and always
irregularly. Spaces fill
with a kind of
soothing electric vibration.
Our senses, restored, never
to be the same, whisper to us.
They existed. They existed.
We can be. Be and be
better. For they existed.*

Acknowledgement

*The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of
kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour.
May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.*

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