

Sunrise: December 21, 1944 -Sunset: September 21, 2017

Memorial Service:

Saturday, October 28, 2017 - 1:00 p.m.

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1025 Bergen Street • Newark, New Jersey

<u>Obituary</u>

Gloria Esther Vega Candelaria, aged 72 passed away on September 21, 2017. Gloria was born on December 21, 1944 in Barceloneta, Puerto Rico, daughter to the late Santiago Vega and Dolores Candelaria, she was the 2nd youngest of 5 siblings. Gloria arrived in the United States at 8 years old when her family moved to New York city. At the age of 14 she moved to New Jersey where she lived most of her life before returning to Puerto Rico in 2010.

Gloria married in 1959 and 3 sons were born from this marriage; Miguel Nazario Jr. (1961), Alberto Nazario (1962) and Angel Nazario (1964). After divorcing in 1969 she continued living in Passaic, New Jersey and working. Shortly thereafter, in 1972 she met Angel Ramos and gave birth to her youngest and only daughter, Jacqueline Ramos in 1975. In 1983 Gloria moved to Newark, New Jersey with her daughter and her late companion Gomez. She lived in North Newark for a couple of years working at a dress factory before finally moving to Peshine Avenue on the South side of Newark in 1986. There she worked at the local laundromat until 1989. In 2010 Gloria moved back to Puerto Rico and lived the rest of her days there with her companion Dario.

Gloria was a very nurturing and loving woman, she dedicated herself to working and taking care of her daughter. She enjoyed helping her sisters and caring for her mother until she passed away in 1990. No matter the challenges in her life she always picked herself up and kept going forward. She was trusting, caring, always willing to help and give. She was the type of person to give the shirt off her back. Gloria had an open-door policy at all times, she was known to take in friends and family in their time of need. She loved to cook and feed people, she would never throw away food always saying that "someone out there is hungry and deserves a hot plate of food". She enjoyed crocheting and listening to her old Mexican songs while she was cleaning the house. Gloria made many friends all those years living at the Clinton Arms apartments, she babysat many of the children in the complex, who are now adults with children of their own. She always felt at her best when she was doing something for others. She was selfless and always saw the good in everyone. Her heart of gold was evident to all who encountered her. Her most precious moments were those she shared with her 3 grandchildren as she watched them grow up. Gloria was a fixture in all her grandchildren's school activities and special events. She had a very strong bond with Derrick "Juni", Anthony and Cyan. Her most exciting moment was getting to meet her first great-grand-daughter, Alana for the first time in December 2016. Gloria was very proud of all her grand-children.

Gloria is survived by her sisters, Bernarda "Margarita" Marrero, Jenny Roca, Aida R. Camacho and Luz Rodriguez. She leaves to cherish her memory her grandchildren: Christian A. Nazario, Ariana Nazario, Matthew Nazario, Angel D. Nazario "Danny", Derrick V. Perdue "Juni", Anthony T. Perdue, Cyan A. Perdue, Keelan Vega Nazario and her two Great-Grand-daughters: Alana L. Perdue and Aubree M. Nazario; as well as a host of nieces, nephews and close friends.

Order of Service

Processional

Family and Friends

Musical Selection

Janiel DeLeon Yo Te Extranare (I Will Miss You)

Eulogy

Virginia Barker

Scripture

Margarita Guzman Colon-Ramos Psalm 23 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

Oral Presentation

Anthony T. Perdue

Letter to My Mother

Jacqueline Ramos





Come To Me

God saw she was getting tired And a cure was not to be So He gently closed those loving eves And whispered "Come to me" The days of toil and nights of pain The weary hours have passed The patient gentle worn out frame Has found sweet rest at last. Day and night we stood by her And saw her in pain, Anxiously awaiting her cure But our waiting was in vain. God who knoweth all things best Eased her suffering, gave her rest She is gone but not forgotten, Never will our memories fade Sweetest thoughts of her will ever linger Round the place where she rests. -Author unknown

Good Bye Family

Good Bye family I had to go But there's something I want you to know I enjoyed you while I had life I had to cross over with mv father Jesus Christ. Don't you cry, don't shed a tear Just look up and my love will appear So good bye daughter, good bye son O don't let me forget my little one I'll see vou soon one day Just remember I am OK Go on and live your life You will soon cross over with Jesus Christ Don't weep or mourn because vou will all Be called home, Good Bye, Good Bye Love you all. Just remember don't let my death let you fall Hold on, hold on tight I'll see vou soon, Goodnight.

<u>Acknowledgement</u>

Our family would like to take this time to Thank everyone for the many expressions of Love, Concern and Kindness shown to us in this very difficult time of bereavement.

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