In Loving Memory of

Carmen J. Gonzalez

## Sunrise: July 3, 1954 Sunset: August 17, 2022

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2022 - 10:00 AM Cotton Funeral Service 1025 Bergen Street • Newark, New Jersey

<u> Obituary</u>

Carmen Julia Gonzalez departed this life early Wednesday morning, August 17, 2022.

Carmen was born July 3, 1954 in Manhattan, New York. The beloved daughter of Maria Maldonado and Gregorio Gonzalez.

Carmen had seven sisters Elsa Rojas, Norma Turner, Marisol, Flora, Carmen, Griska and Lillian Rodriguez, three brothers Junior, Victor and Angel Rodriguez and a host of nieces and nephews, friends and family.

Carmen attended St. Dominic in Blauvelt, New York class of '68 where she became a fixture at the festivals, Carmen often gifted attendees with pictures and mementos of earlier days at the convent. Carmen was a vibrant woman who touched others with innumerable acts of generosity.

Carmen would later relocate to Sayreville, NJ where she was employed as a housekeeper at Deborah Heart and Lung Hospital in South Jersey, the staff there recognized the professional manner in which Carmen approached her job and acknowledged Carmen for it.

Carmen will be remembered fondly by her family, her many cottage mates, her co- workers and the Sisters of St. Dominic in Blauvelt.

<u>Order of Service</u>

Processional

Scripture Reading Old Testament New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Remarks (Two minutes each please)

Acknowledgements

Obituary

Eulogy

Recessional

<u>Interment</u> Rosehill Cemetery Linden, New Jersey

Repass will at 132 Osborne Terrace, Newark, New Jersey

## I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free I'm following the path God laid for me I took his hand when I heard Him call I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day.

To laugh, to love, to work or play. Tasks left undone must stay that way, I found that peace at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void, Then fill it up with remembered joy. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Oh, yes these things I too will miss. Be not burdened with times of sorrow. I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow. My life's been full, I savored much. Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch. Perhaps my time seemed all too brief, Don't lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your heart and share with me, God wanted me now, He set me free!

-author unknown

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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