



Nelida F. Rivera

July 26, 1949 - September 19, 2022

Nelida F. Rivera, of Hainesport, passed away on Monday, September 19, 2022, surrounded by her family. She was 73. Born in San German, Puerto Rico; the daughter of the late Rafael Figueroa and Natividad Sanabria.

Nelly, as she was affectionately called by many, was raised in Puerto Rico where she developed a love of the ocean and a desire to travel the world. She worked hard as a seamstress and when she married, moved to NJ to build a life with her love. She worked as a seamstress in Egg Harbor, and later moved on to work for the State of NJ at New Lisbon State Developmental Center. She worked for the state for 32 years and was also the Union President representing her colleagues. Nellie happily retired in 2012.

Traveling, cooking, baking, reading and spending time with family and friends was what she enjoyed the most. After retirement, she dedicated herself to doing just that traveling to over 15 countries, cooking Puerto Rican feasts, baking countless cakes, and spending time with her loved ones. She was strong, fierce, happy, and had a heart bigger than anyone could ever imagine. This is how she would like to be remembered, in celebration of life!

She is survived by her loving husband of 51 years, Nelson; devoted daughters, Linda Rivera and Deborah (Ricardo) Vasquez; beloved grandson, Yatzil Vasquez; numerous nieces, nephews, and extended family members.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend her viewing on Sunday, September 25, from 2-4 PM at Perinchief Chapels, 438 High St., Mt. Holly. Nelly has requested that the color black not be worn, but that white and bright colors be worn to celebrate life. Funeral services will be held at 4 PM at the funeral home. Interment will take place in Puerto Rico. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made in her memory to: St. Jude Hospital for Children.

Previous Events

Viewing

SEP **25.** 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Perinchief Chapels
438 High St.
Mount Holly, NJ 08060
(609) 267-0399

Funeral Service

SEP **25.** 4:00 PM - 4:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Nelida F. Rivera*

October 29, 2022 at 11:57 AM



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