



Rita Vasquez Olivarez

September 4, 1942 - January 30, 2013

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Rita Vasquez Olivarez loving wife and mother passed at age 70 at her home in Lynden on January 30, 2013. Rita was born in Toppenish Washington to Benjamin and Della Vasquez on September 4, 1942.

Her family moved shortly after to Lynden. Ritas spent her young life full of laughter and love with four siblings; Trina Gomez of Mount Vernon, Stella Cazares of Los Angeles, Elsie Booth of Moses Lake, and Anne Pike of Everson. After graduating from Lynden High School, Rita married her loving husband Hector Olivarez and shared their lives together for 51 years raising their beautiful family.

Rita was known for her dedication to her children, husband and church. She spent her entire life devoted to our heavenly father and her family. She found joy serving those around her. Rita loved spending time with her children, grandchildren, sisters and friends. Her love for others has touched far beyond her immediate family. Each of her children brought friends, loved ones and pets through her front door and it easily became the home of so many others outside her family. Acquaintances found comfort, in her loving home and her door was always open.

Rita's final days were spent at home surrounded by family. You felt love when you passed through her door and the transparency of her children's hearts touched your soul as they cared for their mother during her transition.

Rita is survived by her loving husband, Hector Olivarez; children Jeanie (Herb) Toews of Canada, Hector Jr. Olivarez of Lynden, Esther (Russ) Thompson of Sammamish, Bob Olivarez of Redmond, Melissa Olivarez of Redmond and Sonia Olivarez of Woodinville; grandchildren Jordan, Alex, Hailey, and Jake; sisters Elsie Booth of Moses Lake and Anne (Ken) Pike of Everson; and numerous nieces and nephews. Rita is preceded in death by her parents, Benjamin & Della Vasquez; sisters Trina Gomez, and Stella Cazares; and nephews Lawrence Menchaca and Johnny Ozuna. As Rita's journey here comes to an end we will rejoice her reunion with her loving parents, sisters and nephews as she joins our father in peace and happiness.

Moses Farewell Tributes Lynden

Farewell Tribute Information

We will celebrate Rita's journey home with a Rosary service at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Lynden at 7:00PM, Sunday, February 3, 2013. This will be followed on Monday, February 4, with a Mass at 11:00am at St. Joseph's Catholic Church where we will proceed to Greenacres Memorial Park in Ferndale for a gravesite committal at 12:30pm. Celebration will follow back at the church at 2:00. Donations Information

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made online to Virginia Mason Cancer center at: <https://www.virginiamasonfoundation.org/donate#> adding the following family contact, In memory of Rita Olivarez, C/O Esther Olivarez

Thompson, 2034 277th Ave SE, Sammamish WA. 98075.

Tribute Wall

PH

“ *Annie and Rita’s family,
You are all in my prayers in the loss of your loved one. I’m so sorry.
With Sympathy, Pat*

Pat Crabtree Hoekstra - January 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RP

“ *Please accept my sympathy to the loving Husband and all the wonderful Children, Family and Friends in the very painful loss of your dear Rita. She will be so missed by the many who knew and loved her. Hopefully you will be comforted by the Bible Verses that follow Rev21:4-5 “AND HE WILL WIPE OUT EVERY TEAR FROM THEIR EYES AND DEATH WILL BE NO MORE, THE FORMER THINGS HAVE PASSED AWAY”*

Rita Perry - January 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PN

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time. Cherish all the wonderful memories you have. God Bless.*

Patti Neer - January 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RW

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family asking the Lord to provide you strength and support during this time*

Ron Wagner - January 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM