



Jeanette L Mendez (nee Lara)

March 4, 1952 - September 18, 2021

Jeanette Lynn (nee Lara) Mendez, age 69, of Portage, climbed the stairway to Heaven on Saturday, September 18, 2021. She was born March 4, 1952 in Gary, IN., the daughter of Wilfred and Opal (Russell) Lara. Jeanette was a graduate of Portage High School, Class of 1971. She loved to cook and loved working in her yard. Jeanette enjoyed many activities when she lived in Las Vegas. She liked to camp in the mountains and repel. Jeanette was a server at Treasure Island for many years. She loved her grandbabies and was the best mother and grandmother. She will be greatly missed.

Jeanette was preceded in death by her parents; children-Chad Eric Edwards, Carrie Lynn Edwards; sister-Yvonne Monacy. Jeanette is survived by her son-Charles Irving Edwards; brothers-Jerry Lara, Mike (Marion) Lara; sisters-Denise (Russ) Richmond, Diane Lara Hoffman; grandchildren-Charles Edward II, Lynn Edwards, Alex Edwards, Taylor Edwards, Alexandria "Alex" Edwards, Isabella "Bell" Edwards, Liam Edwards; great grandchildren-Eli Edwards, Ellianna Edwards; many nieces and nephews.

Graveside service for Jeanette will be held at McCool Cemetery, 2700 McCool Road, Portage, IN, on Tuesday, October 5, 2021, at 3:30 p.m. We ask family and friends to arrive around 3:15 p.m. for service. Burns Funeral Home (Hobart) entrusted with arrangements. www.burnsfuneral.com.

Cemetery Details

McCool Cemetery

2700 McCool Rd.
Portage, IN 46368

Previous Events

Graveside Service

OCT 5. 3:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

KP

“ I am saddened to hear about the passing of Jeanett. I'll always remember the good times I shared with her and her family. My sincere condolences go out to Chuck and the the rest of the Lara family. May you forever rest in peace Jeanette. We'll meet again someday at the Rainbow Bridge. Ken Pall.

Kenneth Pall - September 23, 2021 at 11:24 PM

BH

“ Brenda Heims lit a candle in memory of Jeanette L Mendez (nee Lara)



Brenda Heims - September 22, 2021 at 07:54 PM

ML

“ Our sister was a beautiful soul. She had a tough life but knew how to survive. She raise three kids on her own and 2 were sick. She gave them the best life she could. So many memories of my sis. You will be missed by many. Your at peace now Jeanette with your two babies and family. God bless. Love you.

Mike Lara - September 21, 2021 at 05:56 PM

ED

We are sorry for the huge loss of the Lara Family and you all are in our prayers.

Ed Downs - September 21, 2021 at 07:03 PM

JF

R.I.P.

Jeff Fox - September 21, 2021 at 08:55 PM

DR

Losing 2 sisters 10 months apart is so hard we were a close family. Now part of us is gone we Love and miss you Jeanette And Yvonne life will never be the same

Denise Richmond - September 21, 2021 at 10:42 PM

BR

My sincerest condolences to you and your family during this difficult time Mike. Will pray for strength for all of you the days ahead

Barb Rocha - September 22, 2021 at 09:07 AM

JM

So sorry for your loss. Jeanette is a beautiful soul prayers for the family. 🙏

Jim Mulzon - September 22, 2021 at 10:06 AM

DE

Love and thoughtful prayers for peace to all of the family during this difficult time.

Dena - September 22, 2021 at 12:02 PM

C(

So very sorry for your loss..Jeanette was a good Freind and kind Person she will be missed.

Cathy Culp (Hough) - September 22, 2021 at 04:57 PM

BH

So very sorry Chuck for the loss of your mother. God bless you and Prayers for all the family. I hadn't seen her since you all move from behind me. RIP Jennette your with Carrie and Chad now.

Brenda Heims - September 22, 2021 at 07:46 PM

CA

Best friends from the day we met more than one half of a century ago. We laughed a lot and sometimes cried. We talked for hours. We lost touch for awhile, she was in Alabama I was in Indiana, she gave birth to her second son, she named him Chad, I gave birth to my son and I named him Chad. It seem like we experienced the same thing in our lives many times though out our lives. We were more like sisters than friends, Jeanette you will be truly missed ❤️

Carolyn - September 22, 2021 at 08:29 PM

RH

Thoughts and prayers for the family. Sincere condolences & sympathy.

Ramona Jones Hickle - September 23, 2021 at 08:03 AM