



Lucy L. Martinez

January 6, 1928 - May 18, 2024

Lucy Martinez, age 96, of Portage, IN, passed away on Saturday May 18, 2024. She was born on Jan 6, 1928 in Juan Asencio(a barrio in the municipality of Aguas Buenas), Puerto Rico.

Lucy loved travelling and had only a few states left to see. She traveled to Canada, Jerusalem the Holy Land, Italy, Vatican City, Mexico, St. Thomas, and traveled countless times to her beloved Puerto Rico. She was a great cook and loved cooking, gardening, having flowers and plants around her, loved music and dancing, she loved pretty shoes and stylish dressing. Lucy was a woman of great faith and a great prayer warrior. She loved praying the rosary and did countless rosary novenas for many people. Lucy was a Eucharistic Minister and Lector in several churches in the Catholic Diocese of Gary, a member of the Hispanic Ministry of the Diocese of Gary, Legion of Mary for over fifty plus years, was involved in the Cursillo for many years. She had a Perpetual membership in the Confraternity of the Most Holy Rosary from the National Shrine of Our Lady of Champion. Lucy was a member of the Hermanas Unidas and the National Conference of Puerto Rican Women. She was a homemaker but did work for about a year at the Zachary Confections in Chicago, IL. Lucy was involved in helping out at the polls during voting and worked in many campaigns. She had a beautiful soul, was a very kind, generous, loving person, and supported many charities. Lucy loved her family and enjoyed spending time with them, they meant everything to her. She was a devoted wife to her husband Carlos and they were married for 70 years, this

June would have been 71 years.

She was preceded in death by her parents Zenon Lopez and Paula Guzman and all her siblings.

Lucy is survived by her loving husband Carlos Sr, her children Lucy (David) Rebeles of Lake Station, Indiana, Carlos Jr (Yolanda) Martinez of Merrillville, Indiana, Lourdes Martinez of Portage, Indiana, George (Karen) Martinez of Portage, Indiana, Joe (Alice) Martinez of Merrillville, Indiana, a niece Jennie Rosado from New York that was like a daughter to her, 16 grandchildren, 45 great grandchildren, great-great granddaughter that is due to be born in November, numerous nieces and nephews. Lucy leaves a remarkable legacy. She will forever live on in the hearts and memories of her loved one and all who knew her. She loved everyone and everyone that met her loved her. She will be truly missed by her family and friends. Heaven has gained a beautiful angel.

Visitation for Lucy will be held at Burns Funeral Home & Crematory 701 East 7th Street Hobart, Indiana 46342 on Thursday May 23, 2024 from 4 pm - 8 pm. Religious service at 5 pm with Rev. Jaime Perea followed by the Rosary with the Legion of Mary.

Visitation from 9 am to 10:45 am Friday, May 24, 2024 until the Mass of Christian Burial at 11:00 am at St. Francis Xavier Parish 2447 Putnam Street Lake Station, Indiana 46405 presided by Rev Jaime Perea.

Burial services will follow after mass at Calvary Cemetery 2701 Willowdale Road Portage, Indiana 46368

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

2701 Willowdale Road
Portage, IN 46368

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 23. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Burns Funeral Home - Hobart
701 E. 7th Street
Hobart, IN 46342
(219) 942-1117
info@burnsfuneral.com
<https://www.burnsfuneral.com/>

Religious Service

MAY 23. 5:00 PM (CT)

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Visitation

MAY **24**. 9:00 AM - 10:45 AM (CT)

St. Francis Xavier Parish
2447 Putnam Street
Lake Station, IN 46405

Mass of Christian Burial

MAY **24**. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Francis Xavier Church
2447 Putnam St.
Lake Station, IN 46405

Tribute Wall

EH

“ With heartfelt condolences, to the Martinez family during this most difficult time. Words cannot express how sorry we are for the loss of Lucy L. Martinez she was such a beautiful and caring woman she will be deeply missed but forever in our hearts and memories.
Edwin /Evonne Hernandez & family

Edwin Hernandez - May 31, 2024 at 08:54 PM

ES

“ I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your mother. I know losing your Mom can be a very difficult time and pray that your family will have comfort and peace during this difficult time. Your Mom was a very kind, sweet soul and one of my Mom's best friends. Elva Sullivan daughter of Olivia Virginia Stiles.

Elva Sullivan - May 28, 2024 at 08:57 PM

NP

“ From Nilsa Parker: To the family of beloved Lucy,
My heart goes out to you in the loss of your mother. I remember her when I was a child and always thinking what a cute little lady with the dark hair and perfect eyebrows. She was a special friend to my parents, Rosa and William Perez, and when my mother passed, she was so kind and thoughtful. Now they can see each other again and rest in God's arms.



Nilsa Parker - May 25, 2024 at 09:01 PM

WV

“ I am truly grateful to rhe Martinez family and especially Mrs Martinez for her kindness and being a significant pillar of the Puerto Rican community. RiP. You're definitely a Queen.

Willie Vázquez - May 24, 2024 at 07:53 PM

MN

“ My deepest condolences to the Martinez family. May she R.I.P. Prayers going out to you all. 🙏🙏🙏

MaryAnn Noland - May 24, 2024 at 12:46 PM

LL

“ Mis sentido pésame y mucha fortaleza para toda la familia Martinez. My special memory of Lucy was she loved everyone and always welcomed you with an open heart. Her daughter Lucy Rebeles took after her mom. Great childhood memories.

Liliana Lugo - May 24, 2024 at 03:45 AM

LR

“ Our deepest sympathy's in the loss of your Mom Lucy. It was a blessing for her to enjoy life till 96 y.o. Now she is an angel above watching over those left behind especially her husband Carlos. Our parents Eugenio/Carmen Gutierrez were lifelong friends from which we have so many memories to remember. We are sure they have met again.....Lucy was a wonderful, sweet person who greeted you with open arms anytime we would meet. She will be missed by everyone who knew her.
R.I.P Lucy.

*Felix & Luce Roman and family.
Norma Gutierrez*

Luce Roman - May 23, 2024 at 06:34 PM

KF

“ Kathy Nicholson-Tosh and Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Lucy L. Martinez.



Kathy Nicholson-Tosh and Family - May 23, 2024 at 03:36 PM

AA

“ Alejandra A. purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of Lucy L. Martinez.



Alejandra A. - May 23, 2024 at 01:40 PM

IS

“ Iris Ortiz n Cindy Soto purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Lucy L. Martinez.



Iris Ortiz n Cindy Soto - May 23, 2024 at 12:14 PM

MK

“ Martha Kozub planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lucy L. Martinez.

Martha Kozub - May 23, 2024 at 11:39 AM

MK

“ Martha Kozub purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Lucy L. Martinez.



Martha Kozub - May 23, 2024 at 11:39 AM

VA

“ Valerie and Bob Archambeau planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lucy L. Martinez.

Valerie and Bob Archambeau - May 23, 2024 at 11:37 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Lucy L. Martinez.*



May 23, 2024 at 11:37 AM



“ *Debbie Waldren (University of Chicago) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lucy L. Martinez.*

Debbie Waldren (University of Chicago) - May 23, 2024 at 11:00 AM



“ *Debbie Waldren (University of Chicago) purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Lucy L. Martinez.*



Debbie Waldren (University of Chicago) - May 23, 2024 at 11:00 AM



“ *The Glanton Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lucy L. Martinez.*

The Glanton Family - May 23, 2024 at 10:59 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Lucy L. Martinez.*



May 23, 2024 at 10:59 AM



“ *Froilan & Patricia Cervantes purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Lucy L. Martinez.*



Froilan & Patricia Cervantes - May 22, 2024 at 07:24 PM



“ *My deepest sympathy to the Martinez family. Your mom was a great person. The Valtierra family has many beautiful memories of her! She is now with our parents in heaven resting. May perpetual light shine upon her and her soul rest in peace. Love the Valtierra family.*

Maria Valtierra - May 22, 2024 at 04:21 PM



“ *Lucy and my Mother Evelyn they were friends as a child growing up, she was so special in my ❤️ growing up as a little boy and still remember her and will never forget her always and God Bless her soul. Amen*

David Rivera - May 22, 2024 at 02:41 PM

DR

“ David Rivera planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lucy L. Martinez.

David Rivera - May 22, 2024 at 02:15 PM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Lucy L. Martinez.



May 22, 2024 at 02:15 PM

EJ

“ Enid, Cheo & Javier purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Lucy L. Martinez.



Enid, Cheo & Javier - May 22, 2024 at 12:36 PM

NS

“ Northern Plant Services purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Lucy L. Martinez.



Northern Plant Services - May 22, 2024 at 12:11 PM

AR

“ Albert & Daria Rodriguez purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Lucy L. Martinez.



Albert & Daria Rodriguez - May 22, 2024 at 11:41 AM

FV

“ My sincerest condolences to Dona Lucy's family. She came to our home after my mom's passing To conduct rosaries for my mom's novena. I will be grateful for the genuine kindness and love that she shared with my family. My thoughts and prayers are with the Martinez family. May the perpetual light shine upon her.
Con mucho cariño
Frances Vega

Frances Vega - May 22, 2024 at 10:03 AM

LT

“ My most sincere condolences to the family of the most dearly beloved Lucy, I am forever grateful for the time she and her husband Carlos took to pray the rosary at my mother's wake. They were very good friends to my parents and then me. Her beautiful spirit will live in our hearts forevermore, she will be dearly missed by all. Rest in heavenly peace Lucy 🙏



Lillian Torres - May 22, 2024 at 09:15 AM

BK

“ Lucy was the first to accept me in the family, and never let me sit alone at family gatherings. She welcomed my children with open arms and was always there. After the divorce, she continued to welcome me and let me visit, never skipping a beat in her love for us. Over the years, she became my grandmother too, and the loss has been hard. Her kindness to others has been an inspiration for me, and I carry that forward. I will miss her dearly and I know she was well loved by all. May she rest in eternal peace and happiness, and live on in our stories and memories forever.



Bonnie Kurowski - May 22, 2024 at 08:33 AM

L(

“ Words can't express the impact your mom left on those who had the pleasure of knowing n loving her. She was such a beautiful soul and an inspiration to us all. Her love for our God was amazing. Our parents all came here together n remained more like family. We love u all. God bless the entire martinez legacy. 💔💔💔

Luz Robatto (Rivera) - May 22, 2024 at 08:28 AM

BA

“ Bonnie Kurowski and Arianna Alicea purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Lucy L. Martinez.



Bonnie Kurowski and Arianna Alicea - May 22, 2024 at 08:26 AM

TF

“ *Texas Friend's purchased the Simply Elegant Sp
athiphyllum for the family of Lucy L. Martinez.*



Texas Friend's - May 21, 2024 at 09:53 PM



“ *Bendicion abuela. ❤️🙏❤️ I will never forget you and appreciate
your enduring love throughout my life. I will cherish memories of the
Gary house that was so welcoming and warm and where our family
had some of the best meals, celebrations, and sleepovers!
Abuela, you showed us what it meant to put God and family above
all. May I be blessed with the strength to raise my family and keep
my faith in our Lord Jesus as strong as you did your entire life. Te
amo mucho abuelita, ahora y siempre.
Celeste*

Celeste Santiago - May 21, 2024 at 09:07 PM