



Rafaela Ortiz

October 24, 1959 - October 5, 2015

Rafaela Ortiz (nee Venegas), age 55 of Portage, passed away October 5, 2015. She graduated from West Side High School, Class of 78. Rafaela was a manager for various Wiseways and Jewel Foods. She was a loving wife, mother, and grandmother. She will be greatly missed.

Rafaela was preceded in death by her parents- Jose D. Venegas, Sr. and Albina Z. Venegas.

She is survived by her husband- William Sr.; children- Jennifer (Jeremy) Biancardi and William Ortiz, Jr.; grandson- Miles Biancardi; siblings- Jose D. Venegas, Jr., Adriana (Djamel) Charmat, Art (Nilsa) Venegas, Marcelina (Alberto) Almodovar, Albina Venegas, Rene (Linar) Venegas, Guadalupe (Oscar) Ceja, Blanca Menchaca, and Jesus Venegas; special sister-in-laws- Arcilia Venegas and Viviana Gutierrez; many loving nieces, nephews, aunt, uncle, and cousins.

Friends may visit with Rafaela's family from 2-8 p.m. on Friday, October 9, 2015, at Burns Funeral Home, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point, IN. A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, October 10, at Burns Funeral Home. Interment at Calumet Park Cemetery. www.burnsfuneral.com

Cemetery Details

Calumet Park Cemetery

2305 W. 73rd Ave.
Merrillville, IN 46410

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **9**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Burns Funeral Home & Crematory - Crown Point
10101 Broadway
Crown Point, IN 46307
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Funeral Service

OCT **10**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

LB

“ *I'm sorry for your loss..*



lisa bodo-shipman - October 09, 2015 at 10:58 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rafaela Ortiz.*



October 09, 2015 at 10:39 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rafaela Ortiz.*



October 09, 2015 at 10:17 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Rafaela Ortiz.*



October 09, 2015 at 08:20 AM

DL

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Sending prayers and love to all of you.

Debbie Lapine - October 09, 2015 at 07:41 AM

JN

“ My sympathy and prayers to all, so very sorry for your loss

Judy Nelson - October 09, 2015 at 07:20 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rafaela Ortiz.



October 09, 2015 at 01:38 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Rafaela Ortiz.



October 08, 2015 at 10:54 PM



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Rafaela Ortiz.



October 08, 2015 at 10:29 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Rafaela Ortiz.*



October 08, 2015 at 07:53 PM



“ *Until we meet again, old friend. Having you as a friend at West Side was one of the best things about high school. Sending prayers for Willie and the rest of your family. God Bless.*

*Janet Flores
Scherville, Indiana
Class of 78.*

Janet Flores - October 08, 2015 at 03:27 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Rafaela Ortiz.*



October 08, 2015 at 02:14 PM



“ *Sending my Sympathy and prayers to the family. I am so sorry for your loss*

Linda Hile - October 08, 2015 at 09:01 AM

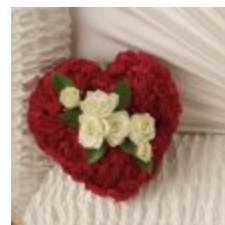
MB

“ *R.I.h rafie you will be greatly missed.. much love to the Ortiz family during this sad time.....*

mandie brown - October 07, 2015 at 05:35 PM



“ *A Devoted Heart Casket Insert was purchased for the family of Rafaela Ortiz.*



October 07, 2015 at 11:48 AM

LD

“ *Love, hugs, and prayers from Aunt Diney purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Rafaela Ortiz.*



Love, hugs, and prayers from Aunt Diney - October 07, 2015
at 04:13 AM