



## Rosa Maria Wilkes

July 10, 1967 - October 18, 2025

Rosa Maria (Chana) Wilkes was born July 10, 1967, in Gary, IN to Elida Tellez and Raymond Arthur Tellez. She attended Bishop Noll High School and graduated in 1985. Rosa then continued her education at Robert Morris College, where she obtained an associate's degree in Secretarial Science majoring in Legal Secretarial Science. In 1989 she had her son, David Michael Bonilla, with her ex-husband, David Bonilla, Jr. In 2014, she happily remarried the love of her life, Gordon Wilkes.

Rosa enjoyed traveling, reading, hanging out with family and friends, cooking, fashion and music. She is survived by her husband, Gordon Wilkes; son, David Michael (Ciara) Bonilla; granddaughter, Leilani Bonilla; father, Raymond Arthur Tellez; brother, Raymond Anthony Tellez. She was preceded in death by her mother, Elida Tellez.

A visitation will be held on Friday, October 24, 2025, at Burns Funeral Home & Crematory, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point, IN, from 9 a.m. until the funeral service at 1 p.m. Interment at Evergreen Memorial Park, 3815 W. 39th Avenue, Hobart, IN. Pastor Poet Billups officiating.

Rosa will be remembered for her love for family and friends, her smile, dedication and loyalty. [www.burnsfuneral.com](http://www.burnsfuneral.com)



# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **24**. 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM (cst)

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Crown Point, IN 46307  
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## Funeral Service

OCT **24**. 1:00 PM (cst)

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# Tribute Wall

MT

“ *Condolences to the family*

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**Maria Teneyuca** - October 24, 2025 at 06:14 PM

PM

“ *Sending thoughts and prayers to you all during this time of sorrow.  
May her memories comfort you.*

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**Paulette Maxie** - October 24, 2025 at 10:28 AM

TF

“ *The Hatfield family purchased the Comfort Blanket for the family of Rosa Maria Wilkes.*



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**The Hatfield family** - October 24, 2025 at 09:31 AM

TF

“ *The Hatfield family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rosa Maria Wilkes.*

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**The Hatfield family** - October 24, 2025 at 09:31 AM

TF

“ *The Barlow Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Rosa Maria Wilkes.*



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**The Barlow Family** - October 23, 2025 at 10:12 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Rosa Maria Wilkes.



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October 23, 2025 at 04:04 PM



“ *Basket of Memories* was purchased for the family of Rosa Maria Wilkes.



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October 23, 2025 at 12:44 PM



“ Joshua Craig and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rosa Maria Wilkes.

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**Joshua Craig and family** - October 23, 2025 at 12:44 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Love, David & Nadine Rhein*

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**Nadine Rhein** - October 23, 2025 at 12:15 PM

NF

“ Nancy Lazar Lamers and family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Rosa Maria Wilkes.



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**Nancy Lazar Lamers and family** - October 23, 2025 at 11:52 AM

SH

“ Sheridan planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rosa Maria Wilkes.

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**Sheridan** - October 23, 2025 at 11:28 AM

SH

“ Sheridan purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Rosa Maria Wilkes.



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**Sheridan** - October 23, 2025 at 11:28 AM

DA

“ Daniel and Raquel Aguilar purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Rosa Maria Wilkes.



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**Daniel and Raquel Aguilar** - October 23, 2025 at 11:25 AM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Rosa Maria Wilkes.*



October 22, 2025 at 11:04 PM



“ *Helen Clay, Donna Davis & Family. purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Rosa Maria Wilkes.*



**Helen Clay, Donna Davis & Family.** - October 22, 2025 at 09:46 PM



“ *The Duerr Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Rosa Maria Wilkes.*



**The Duerr Family** - October 22, 2025 at 06:11 PM



“ *Areca and Jewan planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rosa Maria Wilkes.*

**Areca and Jewan** - October 22, 2025 at 06:05 PM

AJ

“ Areca and Jewan purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Rosa Maria Wilkes.



Areca and Jewan - October 22, 2025 at 06:05 PM

LF

“ Love, Your HyDad's family purchased the Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray for the family of Rosa Maria Wilkes.



Love, Your HyDad's family - October 22, 2025 at 01:31 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Rosa Maria Wilkes.



October 22, 2025 at 01:12 PM

SW

“ Praying GOD'S Strength for the Entire Family on the loss of Rosa 'Sweet Friend' Who I first met at RMC (Robert Morris College) in Carthage, IL. Going to miss being able to chat with Her. RIP (Resting In Hope).



Sharon D. Walker-Jamison - October 22, 2025 at 11:01 AM

OA

“ Our condolences, Danny & Karen Aguilar purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Rosa Maria Wilkes.



Our condolences, Danny & Karen Aguilar - October 22, 2025 at 01:02 AM



“ Express Sympathy and Condolences "I Have You in My Heart" with Butterfly Wind Chime was purchased for the family of Rosa Maria Wilkes.



October 21, 2025 at 06:09 PM

EK

“ Elisa and Chris Kutza purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Rosa Maria Wilkes.



Elisa and Chris Kutza - October 21, 2025 at 06:01 PM

JU

“ Being a bartender at Hydad's, I would see Rosa walk in with a huge smile on her face and a hug waiting for me. I had some of the most memorable nights hanging around her and Gordon. She was a wonderful and loving person.

Justin - October 21, 2025 at 04:19 PM

AJ

“ Anthony, Sojourner, Natálie & Anthony Jr planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rosa Maria Wilkes.

Anthony, Sojourner, Natálie & Anthony Jr - October 21, 2025 at 03:07 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rosa Maria Wilkes.



October 21, 2025 at 03:07 PM

AR

“ Alexis Rockway planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rosa Maria Wilkes.

Alexis Rockway - October 21, 2025 at 02:27 PM

AR

“ Alexis Rockway purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Rosa Maria Wilkes.



Alexis Rockway - October 21, 2025 at 02:27 PM

MT

“ Condolences to the family

Maria Teneyuca - October 21, 2025 at 02:00 PM

RF

“ *Rich, Ramona, Susie & Uhles family purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Rosa Maria Wilkes.*



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**Rich, Ramona, Susie & Uhles family** - October 21, 2025 at 01:23 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rosa Maria Wilkes.*



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October 21, 2025 at 01:15 PM

LA

“ *Love, Carmen, Ray, Matt & Arya. purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Rosa Maria Wilkes.*



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**Love, Carmen, Ray, Matt & Arya.** - October 21, 2025 at 12:50 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rosa Maria Wilkes.*



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October 21, 2025 at 12:29 PM

WA

“ Rosa, You will be miss by all the lives you touched. May God and the host of Heavenly Angels welcome you with open arms and gran you peace and rest.



Gordan and family. Please know you are lifted up in continuous prayer, For there is a season for everything. You are supported by your extended family and we will be here for what ever you need.

-Will Akins and family

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**William Akins** - October 21, 2025 at 12:20 PM

LA

“ Love, "Tia" Mary Alatorre purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Rosa Maria Wilkes.



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**Love, "Tia" Mary Alatorre** - October 21, 2025 at 12:12 PM

LK

“ Love and Prayers, Leticia Klisiak purchased the Forever Our Angel Bouquet for the family of Rosa Maria Wilkes.



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**Love and Prayers, Leticia Klisiak** - October 21, 2025 at 11:50 AM

KF

“ Kimberly Pope & Chandra Foreman purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Rosa Maria Wilkes.



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**Kimberly Pope & Chandra Foreman** - October 21, 2025 at 11:45 AM

RD

“ Rhonda (Poole) Dixon purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Rosa Maria Wilkes.



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**Rhonda (Poole) Dixon** - October 21, 2025 at 11:33 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Rosa Maria Wilkes.



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October 21, 2025 at 11:01 AM