



## Imelda Martinez

December 3, 1955 - June 5, 2019

Imelda Martinez, 63, wife, mother, grandmother, sister and friend, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, June 5, 2019 at her home in Dallas.

Visitation: 6 to 9 p.m. Monday, June 10, 2019 at Guerrero-Dean Funeral Home, 500 E Main Street, Grand Prairie. Rosary: 7 p.m. Monday. Mass of Christian Burial: 3:30 p.m. Tuesday at Calvary Hill Mausoleum.

Imelda was born on December 3, 1955, one twelve children born to the late Carlos Cruz Sr and the late Maria Banda Cruz in Dallas. She had been a resident of Dallas all of her life, spending many years as a cook in childcare facilities.

Always happy and loving, Imelda looked to cook. Having family around was always a highlight of her life, especially her grandchildren. She was a member of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church in Dallas.

Survivors: husband of thirty-two years, Juan Martinez; daughters, Juanita Martinez and her spouse Heriberto Martinez, Rebecca Martinez; grandchildren, Maria "Millie", Benjamin "Bubba"; siblings, Ophelia Dominguez and her spouse Cruz Dominguez, Yolanda Jacobs, Carlos Cruz Jr and his spouse Clara, Minerva Mondragon and her spouse Max, Rudy Cruz, Elida Machado and her spouse Jose, Olga Cruz and her spouse Juan Ortega, Delia

Vargas and her spouse Leandro and Rene Cruz.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by siblings, Roberto Cruz and Juanita Cruz and a brother-in-law, Phil Jacobs.

# Cemetery Details

## Calvary Hill

3235 Lombardy Lane  
Dallas, TX 75228

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 10. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

Guerrero-Dean Funeral Home  
500 E. Main Street  
Grand Prairie, TX 75050  
(972) 263-5570

## Rosary

JUN 10. 7:00 PM - 7:30 PM (CT)

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500 E. Main Street  
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## Mass of Christian Burial

JUN 11. 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM (CT)

Calvary Hill Mausoleum  
3235 Lombardy Lane  
Dallas, TX 75228



# Tribute Wall

DB

“ Dearest Imelda, may you rest in peace. My sincere condolences to Johnny, Juanita Becka and grandchildren. Your beautiful smile and sense of humor will forever bring a sweet memory and a warm smile. You are already missed and will forever hold a special place in our hearts. Love you like a sister. 💔❤️💕

Donna S Ball - June 11, 2019 at 02:49 PM

YI

“ your family at Sharon Young Inc. purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Imelda Martinez.



your family at Sharon Young Inc. - June 11, 2019 at 10:48 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Imelda Martinez.



June 10, 2019 at 06:02 PM



“ 53 files added to the album Life Tributes



Guerrero - Dean Funeral Home - June 10, 2019 at 12:34 PM

VC

“ As I type I am still in disbelief that Tia Mel is gone. I feel for her daughters, husband, and her relatives. I will never forget how I would spend time with her and Becca and Juanita. I got my dance moves from her and her daughters. I was told when I was little that Tia Mel cut bangs on me when I was little. I won't forget her she made us Easter baskets for us, she had Halloween parties, she was known for making good cakes. She took care of me as a little girl and I will always be thankful for all the times she took care of me. I love you Tia Mel !!! May you Rest in Paradise!!

Vanessa Cadena - June 08, 2019 at 09:09 AM



“ *My deepest condolences to my uncle Johnny, my cousins Juanita and Rebecca, Millie and Bubba.*

*Tía Mel, you took a piece of my heart with you.  
I am going to miss your smile, your laughter and positive energy.*

*You were the first person to cut my bangs and Vanessa's. You had many talents, you cooked, baked for us and you helped make our holidays memorable. You were my madrina for my first communion and were there for me and my kids when we needed you. Thank you for everything you did for us!*

*May you rest in God's arms now and rejoice in his glory. Say hello to grandma and grandpa, aunt Queenie and uncle Robert. Till we meet again.*

*Love,  
Vero*

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**Veronica Vargas-Cadena** - June 08, 2019 at 12:17 AM

DV

“ *Our condolences to Johnny, Juanita, Rebecca little Millie and Bubba. Sending you prayers and all our love. Mel will forever live in our hearts. She was a beautiful loving woman. With all our love ,  
Leandro & Delia Vargas*

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**Delia Vargas** - June 07, 2019 at 07:52 PM

LS

“ *I will always remember your beautiful smile!  
Rest In Peace.  
Leslie*

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**Leslie Silvey** - June 07, 2019 at 07:51 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Imelda Martinez.*



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June 07, 2019 at 07:47 PM



“ *I love you, Tia Mel....You will always live on in my memories & my heart.*

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**Cruz Doominguez** - June 07, 2019 at 06:20 PM



“ *My precious sis, I will miss your beautiful smile. You will forever be in my heart. I'll always remember the wonderful times. I remember when we were in bible school. We had a Valentines party , and the boys were giving rings to the girls. Probably rings from a Cracker Jax box .Mel got a ring from not one but two boys! I didn't get not even one! On our way walking home I was crying my heart out. Mel stopped and said it's ok, here she got my hand and put a ring on my finger. One is for me and the other is for you. I went skipping home happy as a clam. That was just how she was putting others before her. Thank you Mel for being there for me. And thank you lord for my beautiful Mel. Rest In Peace sis, Love you, Delia*

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**Delia Vargas** - June 07, 2019 at 06:16 PM

DB

*Dear Imelda, it has been such an honor to know you and your family for so many years. I am so grateful for your friendship and always making me feel like part of the Cruz family. You were truly a blessing to all who had the opportunity to know you. A true heart of gold. You will always be remembered as you were. Smiling and giving. A great sense of humor. May you rest in paradise always. I love you! Your sister from another mother. ❤️ Donna*

**Donna S Ball** - June 07, 2019 at 07:26 PM

OC

*My beautiful sister Mel, my heart is broken in pieces I will never forget you especially when we were younger I have so many memories of you, You will always be in my heart I love you so much, but I know you are now resting and no pain, Rest In Peace my beautiful sister, love you Olga: 💔😭*

**Olga Cruz** - June 07, 2019 at 08:33 PM

AC

*My beautiful tia Mel I will forever cherish all the funny happy memories of you, it's so hard to let you go but we know this is not a goodbye but a see you later. I pray that your arrival home was as Wonderful and beautiful as you tia, I know great grandma and great grandpa are happy to see you and have you with them. We love you and miss you tia may you rest in paradise as you watch over us with so much love Anna ❤️💕*

**Anna Cruz** - June 07, 2019 at 11:40 PM

OC

*May Our heavenly father give strength and comfort to Johnny Juanita, Becca, Millie and Benji, she is now in paradise and not hurting, May she rest in peace, You will be missed, Love you very much, your sis Olga and brother-in-law Juan Ortega ❤️*

**Olga Cruz** - June 08, 2019 at 03:44 PM

JM

“ *May my loving sister be resting in heaven surrounded by all of the angeles she will always be in our hearts and all of her memories her smile, dancing and great since of humor she had will always be with me forever and ever RIP my beautiful sister love you always your sis Elida and brother in law Jose Machado (Your Padrinos) Our condolences to my brother in law Juan and daughters Juanita ,Becca and grand children*

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**Jose and Elida Machado** - June 07, 2019 at 04:59 PM