



Mercedes Fernandez

September 24, 1931 - February 1, 2017

Mercedes Fernandez, 85, a native of Cuba and resident of Irving, joined her Heavenly Father on Wednesday, February 1, 2017 at her home surrounded by family.

Visitation: 10 to 11 a.m. Monday, February 6, 2017 at Casa De Oracion Family Center, 2323 James Street, Arlington, TX, 76013 where she was a member. Funeral Service at 11. Burial: Oak Grove Memorial Gardens in Irving.

Mercedes Fernandez was born in Cuba on September 24, 1931, the 5th of 8 children and the daughter of the late Diego Rodriguez Gonzales and the late Modesta Arias Jimenez. After a stroke at the age of 11, she refused to give in to depression and hardships.

At the age of 21, she would marry the late Luis Fernandez. In 1959, they would move to Joliet, Illinois, where Luis and several sons would work for Caterpillar. They would save money and eventually start their own business of building homes. In 1962, they would move to Miami, FL, where they would live until the death of Luis. In 1992, Mercedes would move to the DFW metroplex where she would spend the rest of her life.

She would become a walking testimony, always bright and cheerful. Early in life, she became a faithful prayer warrior and student of the word of God, often

spending 4 hours a day, reading and praying. She would was always in prayer for her family, church and pastor.

She loved cooking for her grandchildren, and they enjoyed the attention. You would often find her walking in the neighborhood, enjoying the outdoors.

Survivors: sons, Robert Fernandez and his spouse Priscilla, David Fernandez and his spouse Isabel; grandchildren, Aston Rodriguez, Josiah Fernandez, Stephen Fernandez, Jeremiah Fernandez; special lady in her life, often referred to as her daughter, Lois Flowers; special man in her life, often referred to as her son, Enrique Suarez and many friends and brothers and sisters in her church family.

Cemetery Details

Oak Grove Memorial Gardens

1413 E. Irving Blvd.
Irving, TX 75060
<http://www.oakgrovememorial.org/>

Tribute Wall

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“ I have known the Fernandez family since they moved to the DFW area. Mercedes Fernandez because a very close friend to me over the years, and I adopted her as my mother. She also considered me to be a daughter, as she only had 3 boys naturally. I will always cherish the beautiful memories we created together. Sister Fernandez was a very tiny lady in physical stature, but she had an enormous, loving spirit! I will always be grateful for her love and friendship to me. My condolences to the Fernandez family. Thank you for allowing me to be a part of your family! I love you all dearly and pray that God grants us peace and comfort during the home going of Abuelita.

Lois Flowers - February 03, 2017 at 02:24 AM