



Rosie Montoya

January 10, 2019

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Rosie Montoya made the journey to join her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, and her husband of 64 years, Henry, on Thursday evening, January 10, 2019. The loving couple known by so many are once again strolling together, hand in hand, down Heaven's glorious streets of gold. Rosie fought bravely over so many years through so many illnesses. When people speak of her, they never fail to mention the love they have for her and how she touched their lives in such meaningful ways. She is remembered as a remarkable woman who, although small in stature, demonstrated amazing strength and fortitude. It was her faith that gave her strength, and it was her faith that served to bring so many people to Jesus. Always willing to share whatever she had to give, Rosie gave with love – whether it was monetary or to provide comfort, strength, or shelter to those in need. Whatever the need, she gave with joy. Her principles set an example admired by many and difficult to live up to. Rosie is survived by her only child, Theresa Marshall and her husband Jeff; her only grandson, Scott McLain; siblings, Ernie Cordova, Margaret Montoya (Joe), Anna Upton (Tony), Toby Cordova and Donna Bergevin (Don); brothers-in-law, Joe Montoya (Margaret), Norbert Montoya (Marcy) and Mike Montoya. She was also blessed with a great number of nephews, nieces, and great-nephews and nieces.

Services will take place

at Our Lady of Belen Catholic Church on Wednesday, January 16, 2019, beginning with a Public Viewing at 10:30 AM, and a Funeral Mass at 11:30 AM. Interment will take place following at Our Lady of Belen Memorial Gardens.

Events

JAN 16 **Public Viewing** 10:30AM

Our Lady of Belen Catholic Church
101 N. 10th Street, Belen, NM, US, 87002

JAN 16 **Funeral Mass** 11:30AM

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JAN 16 **Interment** 12:30PM

Our Lady of Belen Memorial Gardens
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Comments



“ Rosie was truly an angel to many! What an amazing person she was and will be in heaven!

Liz Follon - January 30 at 11:23 PM



“ Condolences to Rosie's family. I am so sorry for your loss. As beautiful as her name, she was a true Rose, beautiful, kind and so loving. I have so many great memories of this lovely woman, that I will treasure. Thank you for letting us share in her life.



Loretta Gabaldon - January 19 at 05:22 PM



“ Patricia Kirtley Reagan lit a candle in memory of Rosie Montoya



Patricia Kirtley Reagan - January 16 at 10:20 PM



“ Connie Baca lit a candle in memory of Rosie Montoya



Connie Baca - January 16 at 10:04 AM



“ My sincere condolences to Theresa and the rest of Rosie's family! She will be greatly missed! I will always treasure the times we spent having coffee, talking about antiques and planning our next excursion. I will never forget her beautiful smile and her positive attitude! I'm sure she is now dancing in heaven with her Henry! RIP Rosie!

Connie Baca - January 16 at 10:13 AM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rosie Montoya.



January 16 at 12:34 AM



“ Jean And Bernie Chavez sent a virtual gift in memory of Rosie Montoya



Jean and Bernie Chavez - January 15 at 11:40 PM



“ Rosie was my mom's hair dresser for years Cecilia Lopez who also passed. My sincere condolences for your loss. She was a lovely lady.

Bernadette Moya - January 15 at 02:47 PM



“ Rosie Montoya is my good friend, and I miss her. I loved hearing the stories of her life. They were stories about Theresa, California, "the girls", her escapades with Henry, and her walk with Jesus all her life. She lives on in Theresa, and she lives on in me and those who were inspired by her uniqueness, work ethic, love, loyalty, joy, strength, beauty, compassion, generosity, talent, wisdom, and graciousness. She left an indelible mark of love on my heart and I am thankful for her friendship. I wonder if she may already have Henry helping her create a beautiful space in the garden for their King.

From: Betty Cavender

From Pennsylvania

January 15 at 11:52 AM



“ Thank you so much Betty. She loved you dearly and always cherished your friendship.

Theresa Marahall - January 15 at 11:39 PM



“ James Tabet lit a candle in memory of Rosie Montoya



James Tabet - January 15 at 12:49 AM



“ Theresa and Family,
On behalf of Greenleaf Wholesale in Albuquerque, we send our deepest sympathies to you all. Rosie was small in stature, but huge in spirit. When Rosie and Henry owned Felicity Flowers, she would walk in and brighten up the place. I remember when she was going to have surgery, that morning she walked in, and we were all surprised to see her. She simply stated the surgery was postponed. We asked what happened, and Henry said "she wanted a doughnut". Rosie said, I didn't know I couldn't eat before I had surgery and I was hungry! So, I had a doughnut! God Bless her!

Sincerely,
Sandra Valdez
Manager
Greenleaf Wholesale ABQ

Sandra Valdez - January 14 at 06:40 PM



“ I remember that day! Mom was just that way and she was going to continue being who she was no matter what. Thank you for the memory!

Theresa Marahall - January 15 at 11:42 PM



“ My deepest condolences to all of Rosie's family. She and I graduated together and she was at my side when I got married, WE kept up with one another through the years and even if we hadn't seen each other for awhile we always picked up where we had left off I will never forget the lovely flower and gift shop she had in Albuquerque and wonderful Christmas parties with snow all over the floor ! She was one of a kind And the most thoughtful, generous. and lovely women I have ever known.

Sonia Sedillo James

Sonia James - January 14 at 04:31 PM



“ Thank you Sonia. We wete just speaking today about those Christmas open houses she had at the flower shop with the snow all over the plave. Wecwoukd end up bringing it home in our clothes after a day in the shop! Those days were spectacular!

Theresa Marahall - January 15 at 11:45 PM



“ Heart felt condolences. May the Dear Lord bless Rosie's memory.

Danny & Loretta Sachs - January 14 at 03:41 PM



“ Beverly Castillo lit a candle in memory of Rosie Montoya



Beverly Castillo - January 13 at 07:38 PM



“ Dear Theresa,

I'm so sorry to hear of the loss of your beloved mother. I remember her so well since she and my mother, Ruth Cordova Padilla (and Sosimo), were cousins who visited at home or by phone frequently. I fondly remember her beautiful flower shop many years ago as well as her leadership with the Belen youth choir in the 1970's. I last saw your mom at one of the cousin's reunions held in Jarales several years ago.

I will think of you often, Theresa, and keep you in my prayers as I know first hand how deep the pain is to loose your parents. But I firmly believe they are all having a joyful reunion in heaven, and knowing that will give you peace.

Love,
Phyllis Padilla Owens



Phyllis Padilla Owens - January 13 at 05:38 PM



“ Thank you Phyllis! Mom adored your mother, Ruth, and would spend hours talking to me about all the two of them would share. Tje friendship they shared was truly special, and although mom was too ill at the time of your mother and father's passing, she took their loss extremely hard. Love and big hugs to you, Phyllis, for the pain you've endured.

Theresa Marahall - January 15 at 11:51 PM



“ Thank you for this message, Theresa. I'm traveling right now and regret I cannot be at your mom's services. Please know I'll be thinking of all of you with love in my heart. Do keep in touch. Stay strong...many days ahead won't be easy. God bless you.

Phyllis Padilla Owens - January 16 at 12:04 AM



“ Theresa & Family,

Yes, our "Little Giant" has ended her voyage on earth and now continues in the eternal one. There her mirroring soul reflects and sees the whole. In keeping with her faith, she dwells hand-in-hand with her beloved Henry. Our Rosie, in keeping with her faith, is at peace and in the hands of God.

I submit condolences on behalf of Sue, our family and myself. May time bring solace to your hearts.

Oscar S. Ramirez



Oscar S. Ramirez - January 13 at 04:24 PM



“ Dicky And Suzanne Romero lit a candle in memory of Rosie Montoya



Dicky and Suzanne Romero - January 12 at 07:29 PM



“ Rosie was Awesome !!!
She encouraged to become a Cosmetologist, and that opened up the world to me!

Norbert Montoya - January 12 at 12:28 PM



“ It's hard to write a tribute to Rosie without including Henry. My mother and father--although older than them--were good friends. My dad died when I was young but my mom continued to have such admiration for them and their daughter, Theresa. She would say, whenever they walked into Our Lady of Belen Catholic Church for mass each Sunday, "Those two are just crazy about that little girl!" They were an example for all of us, of a loving family, couple, father, mother and daughter and all who knew them were lucky.

Henry and Rosie were always especially kind to the youth--which is so special in and of itself. They were famous for that. I loved seeing them and playing in the beauty shop whenever my mom went to have her hair done--which was every Friday--like clock work.

I went through a rough patch in my teens but Rosie and Henry were always happy to see me and never made me feel judged. I was the same good girl they had always known--until it was true again.

I will never forget their love and compassion and I feel so fortunate to have known them and you Theresa, as a friend for life. Rest in peace dearest Rosie, with your beloved Henry. You made our town and it's people better.

JoAnna M Vanlersel - January 11 at 08:43 PM