



Margarita Romero

November 3, 1945 - November 27, 2020

María Dolores Margarita Romero, 75, peacefully passed away after a brief illness on November 27, 2020. Margarita proudly retired from The Village of Los Lunas, where she greeted and served thousands over the course of her career. She was an active member of Immaculate Conception Church in Tomé, where she attended since childhood. She demonstrated her love for so many through her acts of generosity. She hand-sewed quilts for her grandchildren and many of her nieces and nephews and every Thanksgiving and Christmas she prepared hundreds of tamales for family and friends. Although everyone savored her cooking, she often prepared her specialty of sopapillas and cocoa, which was originally a childhood “antojito” prepared by her Nana, Elena Serna. She enjoyed many trips within the United States and abroad; she looked forward to attending the Taos Fiestas every July; she enjoyed shopping with her granddaughters; always had a cookie jar full of Oreos for her grandson; and was a loving and loyal fan of Elvis Presley; so much so, she named her daughter Lisa Marie. She had a flair for fashion and was often told that she could wear a gunnysack and look like a runway model. She carried herself with grace and her beauty was stunning. Margarita was preceded in death by her father, Juan Vicente Romero; her mother Dolores “Lola” Maes; her brother, Clemente Romero; her sister Luciana Garcia; her sisters-in-law, Dolores Romero and Joan Romero; and her brother-in-law, Larry Artiaga. Margarita is survived by her daughter, Lisa Marie Gabaldón; her grandchildren, Estrella Marisol Flores, Javier Antonio Flores, and Symone

Marie Burbank; her sister, Marta Romero Artiaga; and three brothers, Domingo Ireño Romero (Blinky); Jacobo Romero and wife, Betty; and Eduardo (Edward) Romero and wife, Tina. She is also survived by many very special nieces and nephews.

Due to COVID-19, capacity is limited, face masks and social distancing are required, and physical contact is highly discouraged. Services will be held at Immaculate Conception Church in Tomé on Thursday, December 3, to include a viewing beginning at 10:00 a.m.; rosary at 11:00 a.m.; funeral mass at 11:30 a.m.; and interment following mass.

Margarita, Puckett, Margara, Margaret, Marge, thank you for all that you gave of yourself and for your unending love and kindness. *Nunca olvidaremos tus ojitos verdes.*

Pallbearers: Clem Romero, Jr.; Ricky Romero, Martín Romero, Joshua Garcia, Manuel Artiaga, and Javier Flores.

Her daughter and grandchildren would like to thank everyone, near and far, for their prayers, cards, letters, flowers, food, support, and all the expressions of love that were shared. The family would also like to thank Ambercare for their exceptional home care and to her compassionate oncology team, Dr. Erika Maestas and Lynn Saavedra, RN, from the University of New Mexico Cancer Center.

Previous Events

Public Viewing

DEC 3. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (MT)

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
7 Church Loop
Tome, NM 87060

Rosary

DEC 3. 11:00 AM (MT)

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Funeral Service

DEC 3. 11:30 AM (MT)

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Tome, NM 87060

Interment

DEC 3. 12:30 PM (MT)

Tome Catholic Cemetery
Tome, NM 87060

Tribute Wall

CT

“ *Chantel Trujillo lit a candle in memory of Margarita Romero*



Chantel Trujillo - December 10, 2025 at 02:30 PM

DR

“ *Dicky And Suzanne Romero lit a candle in memory of Margarita Romero*



Dicky and Suzanne Romero - December 04, 2020 at 08:04 PM

JS

“ *Lisa, my condolences to you and your family, we lived next door to your grandpa Vicente, so my family new your mom, she was a great person and a beautiful lady. May she rest in peace and may God give you the strength and comfort that you need in the days ahead. Love and prayers, Jeanette Salas and family.*

Jeanette Salas - December 03, 2020 at 09:17 PM

JS

“ *Jeanette Salas lit a candle in memory of Margarita Romero*



Jeanette Salas - December 03, 2020 at 09:09 PM

JJ

“ Everything said in her obituary, about Margaret or "Margarita" as we knew her, is true. She had a generous spirit in every aspect of her life and whether you were family or not, she made you feel that way. She was a beautiful woman with a classy style and wonderful sense of humor. She was fiercely loyal and couldn't keep from bragging on her family and especially her children and grandchildren. She will be truly missed by many but we pray that she will be happy in her new peaceful home in the arms of our Lord, whom she loved deeply also. We remember her from the time we came to Los Lunas in 1973 and she was a dispatcher for Nick Sanchez, who was the county sheriff at the time. We had a good friendship throughout all these years until we became nomads and then settled in Arizona. She will be greatly missed.

Juan & Josie Julian - December 03, 2020 at 08:23 PM

DC

“ Marta,
Very sorry to hear you lost your dear sister. May God grant you grace and peace during this time. My thoughts and prayers are with you and her family. Deborah and Nick Carrasco

Deborah Carrasco - December 03, 2020 at 07:10 PM

AC

“ Lisa, I'm so sorry for your loss. Your mom was, is and always will be so beautiful. I know the bond that an only child has with her mom. It is special and one that you will carry with you for an eternity. Love you, blessings and prayers sent to you and your family ❤️

avalon cordova - December 03, 2020 at 05:45 PM

AC

“ Lisa, I am sorry for the passing of your Mom. I have a lot of memories working with her at the old city hall with Carmelita, Ernestine, Kathy and Loretta she was always praying and feeding everyone and also fed the firefighters after we came back from a call the fire department was in the same building. Lisa she would tell me how proud she was of all your accomplishments especially her grandbabies which she loved very much and were her world. I will miss her beautiful smile and green eyes. Rest in peace my friend until we meet again.



Atilano Chavez - December 03, 2020 at 01:01 PM



“ Lisa, im so very sorry about ur precious mama. Both u and ur mama shared so many precious memories with my mom and myself. We still laugh about them. We will cherish and hold them close to our hearts. Our love thoughts and prayers are with you all.
Love, Ernestine and Pam

Pamela Vallejos-Jaramillo - December 03, 2020 at 10:52 AM

NS

“ I'm so sorry for your loss.. she was the sweetest and most kind person. She will be missed. 💜🙏💜



Novie Sanchez - December 03, 2020 at 12:23 AM

MC

“ Blessings to the families ! Will miss u beautiful smile your kindness!
Say hi to my aunt Auggie u both loved Elvis!



Michael chavez - December 02, 2020 at 08:46 PM

DF

“ David Flores purchased the Fields of Europe for
Spring for the family of Margarita Romero.



David Flores - December 02, 2020 at 04:17 PM

RC

“ Roseann Garley Chavez lit a candle in
memory of Margarita Romero



Roseann Garley Chavez - December 02, 2020 at 12:30 AM

KG

“ Ken Garcia lit a candle in memory of
Margarita Romero



Ken Garcia - December 01, 2020 at 08:55 PM