



Gloria P Vasquez

December 31, 1942 - March 21, 2020

Gloria Vasquez, age 77, of Kearney, passed away Saturday, March 21, 2020 at Mount Carmel Home and Rehabilitation in Kearney, NE. A memorial mass will be on Friday, July 24, 2020 at 10:30 a.m. at St. James Catholic Church in Kearney. Father Joe Hannappel will celebrate and burial will be later. A wake service will be on Thursday, July 23, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at St. James Catholic Church. Memorials are suggested to the family, for later designation. Please visit www.hlmkfuneral.com to leave a tribute or message of condolence. Horner Lieske McBride and Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services are in charge of arrangements.

Gloria was born on December 31, 1942 in Carrizo Springs, TX to Juan and Augustina (Hernandez) Patlan. Gloria met the love of her life, Raul Vasquez in high school. It was love at first sight. They married young, on December 13, 1959 in Elmhurst, IL and throughout their 60 years together they raised four children, ten grand-children and ten great-grandchildren. Gloria was a member of St. James Catholic Church in Kearney.

When Gloria came to Kearney, she was a young woman. Even though Raul was sent off to war she made Kearney her new home. For a short time, she worked as a daycare provider, then at Baldwins, then Eatons, during her working years. She loved the people who came into her life. She would tell stories of the young people working at Eatons or Baldwins. One of our favorite stories is how the ladies would cook meals for young working students to help them balance work and school. The ladies had fun even with the hardships they encountered. She made many friends and cherished all of them. She was a Girl Scout leader and active in her children's elementary school. While working she raised her children and became a part of the large Vasquez family.

Her true calling was to be at the side of her husband, Raul Vasquez. Together they worked through a life of hard work, family, traveling, raising children and their devotion to each other. This is a story of true love. They each had their commitments to organizations or hobbies, but the one commitment that would never end was their commitment and love for each other.

Gloria spent her latter part of her life helping people either through St. James Church or through friends. Gloria loved her church, she would always talk about Father Joe, Father Art, Father Mike any of the priests at the church she would befriend. With their help she led the organization of the bi-lingual mass and singing. She loved to sing. You could always see her singing in the choir. During the holidays she volunteered her children to ring the bell for the Salvation Army. She and Raul and their children also helped to deliver food to people in need or organizations. Gloria gave of her time and her gifts in any way she could.

She was proud of her son, Nick who served the Army, as an Army Ranger and was proud when her grandsons: Jonathon, Joseph and Uriah followed by joining the Navy, and Army. Faithfully, she honored the Military by decorating for the 4th of July and participating in the events for Memorial Day.

Gloria's love for God, people, her glowing smile and laughter will be deeply missed. We love you mom. I wish you could stay but I know it is time for you to go and be with the Lord. Please save a spot for me as someday I will be with you and we can do all the things that we didn't get to do.

Surviving relatives include her daughters, Nora and Daniel Lenz of Eagle, NE and Anelle and Dale Rowedder of Kearney; son, Roy Vasquez of Kearney; grandchildren and great grandchildren; Toni and Bart Willnerd of Dardenne Prairie, MO and their children Brodi, Chase, Isabel, and Colin; Lane Hinn of Eagle, NE and his children Aalyiah and Elijah; Whitney Hinn of Omaha, NE; Uriah Lenz of Honolulu, HI; Indra Rowedder; Alaric Rowedder; Aubrey Vasquez; Joe Vasquez; Erica and Pedro Martinez and their children Carlos, Christian, Thalia and Adriana all of Kearney; Jonathon Vasquez and Jillian Komskis of Charlotte, NC; several nieces, nephews, cousins and other extended family and friends.

Gloria was preceded in death by her husband, Raul Vasquez, son Nick Vasquez. Parents; Juan and Augustina Patlan, In-laws: Frank and Isabel Vasquez, brothers; Salvador, Tony, Art, Alex, Wally Patlan, sister Mary Lou Patlan. Brother-in-laws; Gilbert, Gus, Robert, David and Dean Vasquez. Nephews; Gerald and Gus jr. Vasquez

Cemetery Details

Kearney Cemetery

4400 Avenue I
Kearney, NE 68847

Previous Events

Wake Service

JUL **23**. 6:00 PM (CT)

St. James Catholic Church
3801 Avenue A
Kearney, NE 68847

Memorial Mass

JUL **24**. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. James Catholic Church
3801 Avenue A
Kearney, NE 68847

Tribute Wall



“ *Gloria P Vasquez*

January 29, 2023 at 11:14 AM

SA

“ *Gloria was just a good person and a pleasure to work with! I have great memories from years of working together.*

Sergio Alonso

Sergio Alonso - April 02, 2020 at 06:29 PM

OL

“ *Olga lit a candle in memory of Gloria P Vasquez*



Olga - March 25, 2020 at 06:20 PM

CG

“ *Gloria Family
Now she is at peace and with the one she loved.
She will be missed. I worked with her for many years.
I will think of her as my 2nd mom.
Now she's with Raul and Nick and many .more loved ones
Tom and Carol Gancos*

Carol Gancos - March 24, 2020 at 10:49 PM

DC

“ *Gloria was a very dedicated and hard worker. I was lucky to work with her. With deepest sympathies to her family . Diana Clausen*

Diana Clausen - March 24, 2020 at 09:14 PM

HJ

“ *Gloria was the best babysitter in the world. So sorry to her family and friends for their loss. I have very happy memories of my time with her. Hayley Patocka.-
Jelinek*

Hayley Jelinek - March 24, 2020 at 03:43 PM