



Luz Maria Vega

July 12, 2020

Today we celebrate Mom's 95 year journey filled with challenges, opportunities and conquests. Luz Maria Vega was born "en el campo de Ponce, Puerto Rico" in 1925. After completing high school, she traveled alone to New York City with her suitcase in hand confident that her ability to speak, read and write English would help her navigate through this great city she would soon call home. She married Julio Vega and gave birth to two daughters, Evelyn and Irma. She was a determined young woman who strove to give her daughters the best possible education they could have. She knew the transformational nature of having an education and decided to enroll in college while Evelyn and Irma were also attending college. She graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree and a few years later a Master of Science in Education degree from Lehman College. Mom became a bilingual teacher and eventually a bilingual coordinator advocating for her students to ensure they received all they needed to be successful.

She loved to party and even received an honorary certificate as "Colombiana" because of her love for Colombian cumbias and the music of Carlos Vives. A world traveler, she loved to explore other countries and their cultures. She enjoyed her glass (or two) of red wine and loved being in the company of her grandchildren, Jose Luis and Lovelle and her great grandchildren, Alexandra and Victoria. She took pride in her appearance and made sure to put on makeup every day and went for her weekly hairdo and manicure. After retiring at 70 years of age, she went to the gym for five hours every day and said that it was her "new job".

Mom was the matriarch of our family who we will forever miss. She has taught us some valuable lessons: You must first love yourself before loving others; you must be generous and help others in need; education is the ticket to advancement; you must be truthful and loyal and above all you must enjoy life to the fullest.

Mom, while we must say goodbye for now, rest assured that you live in the memory of every one you have touched. You will live forever in our hearts and we know you will be watching over us.

Until we meet again; with all our love,

Evelyn and Irma

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions be made to [South Bronx Charter School for International Cultures and the Arts]<http://www.sbcnica.org/>. Please make checks payable to the SBCSICA Scholarship Fund.

Cemetery

Woodlawn Cemetery

4199 Webster Ave.
Bronx, NY, 10470

Events

JUL **Visitation** 03:00PM - 08:00PM

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Edwards - Dowdle Funeral Home
64 Ashford Avenue, Dobbs Ferry, NY, US, 10522

JUL **Service** 10:00AM

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Comments



“ Zaida Hernandez purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Luz Maria Vega.



Zaida Hernandez - July 15 at 11:24 AM



“ Paul, Josh, Ingrid & the entire team from BoostEd purchased the Peace Eternal Wreath for the family of Luz Maria Vega.



Paul, Josh, Ingrid & the entire team from BoostEd - July 14 at 02:52 PM