



Berlinda Martinez

August 13, 1939 - February 20, 2013

MARTINEZ, BERLINDA SALAZAR. Loving wife, mother, sister, niece, grandmother and great grandmother passed away Wednesday, February 20, 2013. The shining light of our family has left us to walk in God's love and is home. She was born in Taos, New Mexico on August 13, 1939 and is preceded in death by her parents Domitila and Tilio Quinto, her father Santiago Salazar and her beloved grandson, Christopher Torres. She was an accomplished scientific researcher and publisher in the field of blast biology for the Department of Defense through affiliations with Lovelace ITRI, Los Alamos, EG&G and JAYCOR; and she served as a Board Member for the Lovelace Health Plan. She has left behind her loving husband of 53 years, Robert J. Martinez; three children Renetta Torres and her husband Stephen Torres, Robert J. Martinez, Jr. and his wife Anne Marie Martinez, Melissa R. Martinez and her best friend Margaret Keppler; two sisters and one brother, Loretta Vigil, Violetta Velazquez and James Salazar; and her aunt, Corina Santestivan. In addition, she leaves behind eight grandchildren and six great children, Daniel Torres and his wife Dr. Nicole Moreland-Torres, Matthew Torres and his wife Dennica Torres, Jenifer Martinez, Jaclyn Martinez, Danielle Martinez, Miranda Martinez, Michael Martinez, great-grandchildren, Darion Faulkner, Ciana Faulkner Enmarae Torres, Elizabeth Torres, Amara Torres and Michael Means. A Rosary will be recited on Thursday, February 28, 2013 at 10:00am with a Mass celebrating her life immediately following at 10:30am. Both will be held at Our Lady of the Annunciation Parish located at

2621 Vermont NE, 87110. She will be laid to rest at Mount Calvary Cemetery. The family invites you to join us for a reception following the service. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you make memorial contributions to "The Berlinda S. Martinez Memorial Fund" that will assist in the creation of a transplant and research center that will provide transplant services to the people of New Mexico. Donations can be made at Wells Fargo Bank by referencing "The Berlinda S. Martinez Memorial Fund." We love you, B, Mom and Granny. Please visit our online guest book for Berlinda at: www.FrenchFunerals.com

Tribute Wall

GC

“ *To Robert Martinez and family,*

We were so sorry to hear about your loss. I know it has been over a year, but better late than not. You and Belinda were always so gracious and so kind to me and Chris. Belinda was such a beautiful and talented lady. We kind of lost track of you during the years, but thought of you all many times. Our deepest and sincere sympathy goes out to you and your beautiful family. May the Lord continue to Bless you and your family in your loss.

Gloria Carrillo and Christine Gurule

Gloria Carrillo - March 04, 2014 at 12:07 PM

IS

“ *I am so sorry to hear about your loss. I mostly remember her from the baseball days and she always impressed me with her style and love for her family. She was a beautiful woman with a wonderful personality and a great smile.*

isabel Seiler - March 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM

EB

“ *Dearest Family,I was so sad to hear of Belinda's passing. I didn't know of her illness. Sorry, we never got to visit much, but I very often thought of her. I was not able to attend her services, due to the fact my work always keep me near to home. May the Lord bless you and bring hope of someday seeing her again in heaven. With Much Love,Elsie*

Elsie Salazar Baca - March 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ My thoughts and prayers are with all of you of the Berlinda Martinez Clan. Even though I do not fully understand your family's loss, I wanted to express that I feel the family went above and beyond anything I have seen my 6 and a half years in the hospital for a family member. I will remember her as a funny lady that made me laugh when I was trying to be professional and get her to work with me. From my short time with her, I gained valuable experience and met many wonderful people. I was blessed to have known her.

Anthony Slim - February 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM

GA

“ May your memories comfort you and your during this difficult time...
Many Blessings

Gene, Lydia & Gabriel Atencio - February 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LT

“ Renetta and Family I was sorry to hear about your loss. A mother is the core of our families. Not a day will pass that she is not in your thoughts. I can't express the feeling of losing a mother. My prayers are with you to give you the strength. The best condolence is that some day you will be reunited with her. God Bless. Loretta Tolbert

Loretta Tolbert - February 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ Renetta and Robert, Just wanted to express my sincere condolences on the loss of your mother. Mothers are one of a kind and it is very difficult to say goodbye. May the Lord give you the strength to move on and to keep your mother's legacy alive. My prayers are with you and your families.

Jeff P. Lovato - February 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ Dear Robert, Melissa, Jaclyn and Jenifer, Please accept my deep condolence for your loss. The appropriate words escape me as I am sadden by the news last week and today the same sadness deepens as we say our last good bye to your beloved one, Berlinda. Berlinda always had something kind to say, the warmth of her smile and the kindness in her eyes always made me feel welcome. This past week I have been reminiscing on the time I spent with her and the happy moments we shared, she loved her sweets as she was sweet, she gave big hugs as she was full of love, love that nurtured her family and expanded to all others she knew. I will miss her dearly. May the goodness and mercy of God and the loving memory of Berlinda comfort the Martinez family in the days to come and always. Marcela~

Marcela Carney - February 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ What an amazing woman, she has a beautiful family and lived a wonderful life. She is forever in our hearts and always with us.

Daniela Perez - February 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ Words can't express the sadness I feel for your loss I am blessed to have met such a beautiful lady & incredibly wonderful family I will keep y'all in my prayer

Jenny - February 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DO

“ Just a few words to say how sorry I am for your loss. I just adored Granny and her beautiful family. She always made me smile with her smile and laugh when i least expected it. I am thankful for God giving Me the chance to have meet such an awesome women . God Bless

Donna - February 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ Robert and Family our Deepest Sympathy on you loss of Berlinda. May God give you strength during this difficult time.

Tony Romero and Family - February 26, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BZ

“ Dear Renetta and Robert, I'm so sorry for the loss of your beloved mother. There so many of us who love you, and will have you and yours in our thoughts and prayers in this sorrowful time. With great affection.....Barbara

Barbara Zamora - February 26, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ RIP granny,i know your at peace now.Not a day went by when I didn't think of u.I'm blessed to have met you and your family.Gona miss ya,ttyl love TC/ur fav haha

TC - February 26, 2013 at 12:00 AM

VG

“ Our condolences to Robert and family, we were very saddened to hear of Berlinda's passing. I worked with Berlinda at EG&G for many years, both being from up north, we connected immediately. Berlinda was such a pleasure to work with and she was loved by all at EG&G. She was one of three original employees at the remote Manzano facility and she was the last one to close out the facility over 40 years later. The EG&G org chart listed a PHD as head of the BOP site, but we all knew who ran the place. Berlinda did. I lovingly referred to my good buddy as "Chiquita pero Picoso", she would tug on her glasses and replied don't mess with us Taos folks. Love you Berlinda - Vince and Anna Guillen

Vincent Guillen - February 25, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Dear Renetta, I am terribly sorry to hear of your loss. Although words can do so little, I want you to know that you have my deepest sympathy. Please let me know if there is anything I can do to help. Sincerely, Jewel Hall

Jewel L. Hall - February 25, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ Dear Renetta, This is just to let you know how sorry all of us are to hear of your Mom's passing, and how much she will be missed. Please accept our sympathy and extend it to other members of the family. And, if we can be of any help to you in any way, please call on us. With Warmest Regards, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Center

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Center - February 25, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ Dear Renetta, Thinking of You, On the Loss of Your Mother. May the wonderful memories of your mother’s love be with you and comfort you at this time. With Deepest Sympathy, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Multicultural Council

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Multicultural Council - February 25, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ We grieve with you, Renetta and family, for the passing of your mom. We pray and offer intentions for you to find the good that lives in her presence in our hearts. Her memory is the best legacy she leaves behind. I visited Christopher Friday, 2-22-13. We remember. Blessings to all.

Tom & Yvonne Martin - February 25, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CT

“ On behalf of the French Family of Companies we want to express to you our deepest condolences.

Chris Tapia - February 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM