



Vivian Cervantes

May 18, 1927 - June 17, 2011

Visitation for Vivian W. Cervantes, 84, of Bradley, will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais, where funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday.

Burial will be in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Worth. Memorials may be made to breast cancer research. She died Friday (June 17, 2011) at Merkle-Knipprath Nursing Home in Clifton.

Mrs. Cervantes was a key punch operator for the Department of Aging and Disability in the city of Chicago for 17 years. She was born May 18, 1927, in Chicago, the daughter of William and Edith Czichilski Krause. She was a loving wife and mother, and enjoyed her children and grandchildren.

Surviving are her husband, Frank Cervantes Jr., of Bradley, whom she married Feb. 12, 1955, in Chicago; one son and daughter-in-law, Frank III and Laura Cervantes, of Portage, Ind.; four daughters and three sons-in-law, Mary Ellen and George Clontz, of London, Ky., Irene and Brian Holl, of Ashkum; Anita Mazique, of Bloomington, and Helena Rose and Jerry Lafferty, of Rochester; 15 grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren; two sisters, Eleanor Podbevsek, of Austin, Texas, and Evelyn Bezingue, of Fort Wayne, Ind.; and one brother and sister-in-law, Louis and Joan Welke, of Grand Rapids, Mich.

She was preceded in death by one grandson, Jacob Cervantes; her parents; and one sister, Lydia Zitzka.

Cemetery Details

Holy Sepulchre Cemetery

Alsip, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 22. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Bourbonnais - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.
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Funeral Service

JUN 23. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Vivian Cervantes



Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes - June 17, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ Mother, I looked up to you the way how you raised me and now I have become mother of four children because of you, a wonderful mom I honored you for many things you have done, not just for me, for my brother and sisters, for my cousins, my aunts and uncles you shared and how much you cared for the others especially grandchildren and great-grandchildren and your mother in law, Edna, my grandma..imagine that...you have touched everyone's hearts. Love you Mom. I will carry on for you....to touch the others...especially my boy, Jacob you are now with him...I feel at peace...



Anita Mazique-Cervantes - June 28, 2011 at 09:34 PM

RH

“ Peace, prayers and blessings,

*Richard & Linda Howell
Glenview, Illinois*



Richard Howell - June 23, 2011 at 08:01 AM

AM

Thank you for sharing your sorrow with us. Anita Cervantes

Anita Mazique-Cervantes - June 28, 2011 at 09:13 PM



“ *Rest in peace, Mrs. Cervantes. I never forget her kindness. When my dad, Tom Murphy and I came over to the Cervantes family's house to pick up my sister, Kathy, Mrs. Cervantes was making hot tamales. As an Irish little girl, she allowed me to watch her and she took the time to explain me how she made them. The memory never left because of her smiles and kindness. Thanks Mrs. Cervantes! May God comforts you all.
Hugs, Susan Murphy*

Susan Murphy - June 22, 2011 at 06:40 PM

AM

Yes, that is how my mom's way of doing this, love to teach and to show how special the Mexican food culture even she is not Mexican, even toward to you as an Irish little girl as a great example, love one another and show no enemy... Thanks for sharing... God Bless my mom and your comment, too. Anita

Anita Mazique-Cervantes - June 28, 2011 at 09:17 PM

RO

“ *Blaz and the Cervantes Family:*
Our heartfelt sympathy on the loss of Vivian. She is now in a better place than us. May all your precious memories help you through this most difficult time. We will pray for her soul as she goes to be with our Lord. Love your cousins, Roxanne (Ramirez), Danny, DJ & Jose Ortiz, Topeka, KS

Roxanne Ortiz - June 22, 2011 at 03:22 PM



“ *Dear Mom,*
You are my hero. You taught me how to be strong. You taught me about loving and caring. You taught me about being a survivor. You loved your family. You have had many struggles but you were always patient. I miss you Mom! You have taken a piece of my heart. On your journey know that you are not alone. I am with you in my heart and my mind. I love you Mom.



Love Always your daughter Irene and family.

Irene Holl - June 21, 2011 at 05:33 PM

AR

“ *Dear Blaz and Cervantes Family: So sorry to hear of Vivian's passing. She's not in any pain now. My prayers are with you all during this difficult time. She was such a friendly and happy person. Glad I got to see her a couple years ago when my sister Vivan and I visited. Big hugs to you all, Love your cousins, Rey & Alice Rodriguez, Topeka, KS*

Alice Rodriguez - June 20, 2011 at 06:21 PM

HL

“ Dear Mom,
In memory of you, I wanted to spend some time to show you how much we care; Good times and all of the precious moments that you shared with me and my family. You were a great Mom/Grandma and worked hard all those years to support me as a kid growing up.
We always remember you in the precious moments of life. We do miss and love you so much!!!! God bless your soul and rest in beautiful peace. Sending you our big hugs and kisses....
Love always,
Lafferty Family lml_ _lml



Helena Lafferty - June 20, 2011 at 03:19 PM

VR

“ To My Cousin Vivian and her family:
I'll always will remember your Mom's big smile. Also we share the same name.
It was good to see both of your parents when I was in Chicago a few years back.
My prayers are with you all during this time.
Love Cousin,
Vivian Ramirez
from Denver

Vivian L. Ramirez - June 20, 2011 at 02:56 PM

VM

“ Aunt Vivian I will always remember you greeting me with a warm smile, hug and a kiss and even though no words have ever been spoken between us I have always felt your love. Thank You
Cousin Vinnie

Vincent McGrath - June 19, 2011 at 09:42 PM

AM

It is a beautiful comment that you understand the voice of her heart than her unspoken words...is still amazing to understand... Anita, your cousin

Anita Mazique-Cervantes - June 28, 2011 at 09:21 PM

JT

“ *To my Aunt Vivian and Cervantes Family,*

I will always remember you and cherish the memories of when I was growing up on a 115th Street. You can now rest in peace and suffer no more pain.

With all my love cousin Josie and Nichol,

Josie Tapia - June 18, 2011 at 11:00 PM

