



Elicelia Reyes

December 21, 1932 - January 18, 2024

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Elicelia Jimenez Reyes, a devoted Christian missionary who fearlessly spread the gospel both abroad and the United States, peacefully departed this life on January 18, 2024. She leaves behind a legacy of unwavering faith, love, and service to others.

Born on December 21, 1932, in Gurabo, Puerto Rico, Elicelia's journey began amidst the vibrant culture and warmth of her homeland. As a young woman, she moved to the Lower East Side of New York City, where she dedicated herself to work, building her family, and pursuing her life's calling – to share the gospel of Jesus Christ with all she could reach.

Elicelia's commitment to her faith was unwavering. She tirelessly planted churches and ministered to those in need, embodying the message of hope and salvation wherever she went. Her missionary endeavors took her far and wide, yet her heart remained steadfast in her mission to spread the love of Christ.

A devout worshipper, Elicelia found solace and joy in singing praises to the Lord, allowing her melodious voice to uplift spirits and touch hearts wherever she went.

Beyond her missionary endeavors, Elicelia was a cherished wife to Rafael Reyes and a loving mother to her five children: Maria Dolores, Rafael Jr., Liset, Josue, and her firstborn child, Johanna Collazo, who preceded her in death. Her dedication to family extended to her 14 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren, with 2 more on the way, whom she adored beyond measure.

Elicelia was the last of 12 siblings, joining her beloved sisters and brothers in eternal peace.

Her daily prayer schedule, marked by moments of communion at 6 am, 12 pm, and 6 pm, reflected her steadfast devotion to her faith and her unwavering reliance on God's guidance.

In her final moments, Elicelia passed peacefully, surrounded by the love of her family and the comfort of her faith. Her parting words, "God bless you all," encapsulated the essence of her character – a beacon of light, spreading blessings and goodwill to all she encountered.

Though she may have departed from this earthly realm, Elicelia's spirit and legacy will continue to resonate in the hearts of those who knew and loved her.

A celebration of Elicelia's life will be held at La Iglesia de Dios on Friday, February 2, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. with visitation one hour prior.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the charity or organization of your choice, in honor of Elicelia's commitment to spreading the love of Christ.

May her soul rest in eternal peace, and may her memory be a blessing to us all.

Cemetery Details

Forest Lawn Memory Gardens

5740 South Pine AVE
Ocala, FL 34480

Previous Events

Celebration

FEB 2. 11:00 AM.

La Iglesia de Dios