



Maria Augusta Obregon

March 20, 2019

Maria A. Obregón, 94, of Enfield and South Windsor, CT, passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, March 20, 2019, surrounded by her loving family. Maria was born May 4, 1924 in Ayacucho, Peru to the late Efigenia (Palomino) Alvarez and Antonio Alvarez. She was schooled in Mira Flores and continued her education to become a skilled and talented seamstress. Maria immigrated to the United States in 1953 to serve as a nanny in Coconut Grove, Florida. Her dedication to her family was the driving force that gave her the strength to travel to a foreign country in search of a better life. She relocated to Hartford, CT in 1954, and was among the first Peruvians to settle in Hartford. Maria worked as a domestic for the Gengras, Ribicoff and Belding families of West Hartford. In 1955, she was joined by her husband, Felipe Obregón and lived in Hartford before establishing their residence in Enfield where they raised their five children. She continued working as a domestic until she began working for the State Receiving Home in East Windsor. After working fifteen years for the State of Connecticut, Maria retired in 1989 and enjoyed a long and fruitful retirement. Upon retirement, Maria became the dedicated caregiver to her mother with whom she shared a special bond as an only child. She cared for her mother until her death in 1997. Maria, along with her husband and close friends, actively worked to establish Club Peru, Inc. in Hartford. She was one of several women whose tireless efforts served as the backbone that gave success to the founding of the Club. She was also a founding member of HESMIPERU (Hermandad del Señor de los Milagros del

Perú) of Hartford, an active member of Our Lady of Sorrows Church, and a longtime member of the Dulce Nombre de Jesus in Hartford. Maria was a devout Catholic who practiced the customs of her faith which she learned as a child. Maria continued the annual tradition of celebrating the Mass of the Epiphany of the Baby Jesus each January as did her mother before her and is carried on by her family. Maria's passion for sewing continued late into her life along with cooking and gardening. She kept the Peruvian culture alive in her home by language, customs, cooking Peruvian food, music and dance. She will be remembered as a gracious hostess, nurturing mother and grandmother; her sense of style. We extend our deepest gratitude to the staff of 9-9 and 8-1 at St. Francis Hospital, Active Day Center of East Hartford and South Windsor Senior Center. The family wishes to extend the highest praise for the care given to our mother by her caregivers Suzana, Dionicia, and Ilda and in particular, Maria Haydee, for her unwavering dedication, attention and love. Their compassion and caring was unending. Special mention to Deb DiBenedetto and Joann McDermott, who were steadfastly there if she needed anything and she considered them her surrogate daughters. Maria always put her family before herself and her children were her first priority. She was delighted and felt blessed to witness her ten grandchildren and great grandchildren grow and be active in their lives. Maria is survived by her children, Maria Obregón of Somers, Phillip Obregón and his wife Gayle of Bradenton, FL, Christina McGinnis and her husband Mark of Vernon/South Windsor, and Gregory Obregón and his wife Laura of Pacifica, CA; her daughter-in-law, Sharon Obregón of Enfield; ten grandchildren, Eric Burnell and his wife Nilsa, Maria Nolasco and her husband John, Julie Rottman and her husband David, Kaleena Tarleton and her husband David, Kalen Obregón and his wife Jen, Jaclyn Scott Obregón, Martin Morales, Jazmyn Raymond and her husband Christopher, Cameron McGinnis, and Christopher Obregón; nine great-grandchildren, Gabriela, Isabella, Adrianna, Sienna, Julianna, Alana, Marcella, Jude and Maya. Maria was predeceased by her middle son, Francisco L. Obregón, who passed in 2015. The family will receive friends on

Thursday, March 28, 4-8 p.m., at Molloy Funeral Home, 906 Farmington Avenue, West Hartford. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Friday, March 29 at 10 a.m. at St. Francis of Assisi Church, 673 Ellington Road, South Windsor. Burial will follow at Mt. St. Benedict Cemetery, Bloomfield. In lieu of flowers, it is requested that any donations be made to Active Day East Hartford, 144 Main Street, East Hartford, CT 06118, Attn: Jennifer DiSette or the South Windsor Senior Center, Town of South Windsor, 150 Nevers Road, South Windsor, CT 06074.

Cemetery Details

Mt. St. Benedict Cemetery

1 Cottage Grove Rd
Bloomfield, CT

Previous Events

Calling Hours

MAR 28. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Molloy Funeral Home
906 Farmington Ave
West Hartford, CT 06119
(860) 232-1322

Mass of Christian Burial

MAR 29. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Francis of Assisi
673 Ellington Rd.
South Windsor, CT

Tribute Wall



“ *Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Maria Augusta Obregon.*



March 27, 2019 at 05:53 PM



“ *Love, Fred & Rosemary Jackson & Michael McGinnis purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Maria Augusta Obregon.*



Love, Fred & Rosemary Jackson & Michael McGinnis - March 27, 2019 at 02:08 PM



“ *Gayle Obregon lit a candle in memory of Maria Augusta Obregon*



Gayle Obregon - March 27, 2019 at 08:40 AM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Gayle Obregon - March 27, 2019 at 08:35 AM

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“ *Cristina y familia*

Reciban mi más sentido pésame por el fallecimiento de Maria. La conocí hace muchos años como miembro de la Asociación Dulce Nombre de Jesus. Tengo muchos recuerdos gratos de ella. Mis pensamientos y oraciones están con ustedes.

Teresita Alvarez

Teresita Alvarez - March 27, 2019 at 03:07 AM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Gayle Obregon - March 26, 2019 at 04:14 PM

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“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



Christina McGinnis - March 26, 2019 at 04:14 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Maria Augusta Obregon.



March 26, 2019 at 12:10 PM

RG

“ My condolences to the Obregon family during this time of Maria's passing.

Sincerely,
Richard Geddes

Richard Geddes - March 25, 2019 at 01:05 PM



“ Our Deepest Condolences go out to the family and friends. Martin and Andriana your in our hearts and prayers.



Judie Johnson - March 25, 2019 at 01:00 PM

VC

“ Valerie Gaines Colby lit a candle in memory of Maria Augusta Obregon



Valerie Gaines Colby - March 25, 2019 at 10:17 AM

VC

*Christina & family
So sorry to hear of your mom's passing
She was a sweet lady
Thoughts and prayers are with you and your family*

Valerie Gaines Colby - March 25, 2019 at 10:19 AM

DB

“ I'm saddened to hear of “mommy's” passing. I only have the fondest memories of her.

Christina and I would come in late at nite ,when I stayed over, and she would always have chicken and rice warm in the oven. Besides all the delicious food, I loved her warm inviting smile. God Bless her and the family. With lots of love, Diane , Jim and family

Diane Buck - March 24, 2019 at 05:33 PM

DB

“ *“Mommie” was a VERY special lady! She lived her life to fullest and is now in Heaven looking down on us as she is watching Channel 92!*

*My thoughts and prayers are with you all!!!!
Love.... “Dorothy”*

Dorothy Barnas - March 24, 2019 at 09:19 AM