



## Maria Rivera

May 18, 2005

Maria Rivera, 81, widow of the late Manuel Rivera, died on May 18, 2005 in Hartford with her family at her side. Born on September 4, 1923 in Puerto Rico, she came to Connecticut in 1978. In Puerto Rico she ran her own restaurant the "Rivera Restaurant". Maria loved food, cooking for family and friends on Sundays was one of her many loves. In Connecticut, she enjoyed her retirement surrounded by her children, grandchildren, and many friends. Maria is survived by her six children, Maria Rivera of West Hartford, Jorge Rivera of West Palm Beach, FL, Albert of West Palm Beach, FL, Fernando of New Britain, Angel of Manchester, Luz of Hartford, 5 step children as well as 8 grandchildren, and many great grandchildren and her 9 brothers and sisters in Puerto Rico. Services will be Saturday May 21 at 10:00 am with a mass of Christian Burial at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 872 Farmington Ave. West Hartford. Burial will follow in Mount St. Benedict Cemetery in Bloomfield. Friends and Family may call on today from 5:00 to 9:00 at the Molloy Funeral Home. Donations in Maria's memory may be made to St. Thomas the Apostle Church.