



Patricia Liliana Mestanza Zúñiga

December 10, 2025

Patricia Liliana Mestanza Zúñiga, 57, of West Hartford, CT, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, December 10, 2025, at UConn Health, surrounded by family and friends.

Patricia was born on October 18, 1968, in Lima, Peru, to Luis Mestanza and María M. Zúñiga. She earned her law degree from the University of San Martín de Porres in 1996. Shortly after marrying Leonardo, they moved to Chile and after West Hartford, where she continued her personal development through self-help and self-knowledge courses.

Patricia was deeply committed to philanthropy, especially in support of abandoned animals, devoting much of her time to caring for cats. She embraced a vegetarian lifestyle and lived with compassion toward all living beings.

On November 28, 2025, Patricia suffered a sudden heart attack following cerebral ischemia and stroke. She was later diagnosed with and confirmed to have suffered brain death.

She is survived by her husband of 24 years, Leonardo, and their beloved son, Ricardo Rivera, both of West Hartford, CT; her brother, Ranu Mestanza of João Pessoa, Brazil; her sister-in-law, Viviana Rivera; her nephew, Patrick;

her niece, Teresa Milagros; her cousins, Ofi and Teresa; and many other relatives and dear friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, Luis Mestanza and María M. Zúñiga, and her brother, Marco.

Patricia will be lovingly remembered for her kind and generous heart, her gentle spirit, and her warm, easy smile. She touched many lives and will be deeply missed.

Previous Events

Calling Hour

DEC 19. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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

Memorial Service

DEC 19. 4:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

HM

“ Querida Patricia, siempre estarás en mis recuerdos y corazón; tantos momentos compartidos y tantas conversaciones que permanecen siempre en mi memoria. Los inolvidables momentos vividos en tu casa en año nuevo de 2012. Un abrazo y un beso al cielo querida amiga ❤️



Helia Martínez Maffet - December 19, 2025 at 04:20 PM

LR

Gracias Helia!

Leonardo Rivera - December 19, 2025 at 05:06 PM

PN

“ Quería Tía Patty dejas un vacío muy grande en la familia, dejas recuerdos muy hermosos que ninguno de nosotros olvidará, estoy tranquilo porque sé que estás con mi papá, descansa tía te queremos mucho.
Patrick y Astrid



Patrick Joel Ramirez Nunez - December 19, 2025 at 02:55 AM

LR

“ *Querida Patricia, siempre tendré en mi recuerdo tu cariño, descansa en Paz. Un fuerte abrazo a toda la familia, Leonardo y Ricardo.*
Muchos cariños, Loreto

Loreto Rojas - December 18, 2025 at 04:41 PM

LE

Gracias Loreto!

Leonardo - December 18, 2025 at 05:49 PM

MD

“ *Amiga, gracias por enseñarme tantas cosas, fuiste una bella persona conmigo , siempre sacabas tiempo para escucharme, me limpiaste mis lagrimas muchas veces, reímos juntas muchas veces y hablamos de casi todo, fuiste una gran madre y sé que Ricardo te extrañará mucho, fuiste la mejor esposa y compañera para Leo , nunca olvidaré nuestro weekend away in Cape Cod y nunca olvidaré el día que conociste a mis nietos, esa bella sonrisa en tu cara nunca la olvidaré, tú diste mucho amor y eras muy generosa con todos, mi mejor amiga, te llevaré en mi corazón siempre, ahora está descansando hasta que nos reunamos nuevamente , Gracias por tu bella amistad ♡♡*



Marlene DeGracia - December 18, 2025 at 04:21 PM

LE

Gracias Marlene.

Leonardo - December 18, 2025 at 05:50 PM

MD

“ *Marlene D. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Patricia Liliana Mestanza Zúñiga.*

Marlene D. - December 18, 2025 at 04:06 PM

DC

“ *Dyno Nobel; Simsbury CT planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Patricia Liliana Mestanza Zúñiga.*

Dyno Nobel; Simsbury CT - December 18, 2025 at 03:23 PM

DC

“ *Dyno Nobel; Simsbury CT purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Patricia Liliana Mestanza Zúñiga.*



Dyno Nobel; Simsbury CT - December 18, 2025 at 03:23 PM

GM

“ *Mi más sentido pésame a su familia y amigos.
Descanse en paz.*

Guillermina Millan - December 18, 2025 at 02:28 PM

LE

Gracias Guille!

Leonardo - December 18, 2025 at 05:48 PM

VR

“ Patricia I'll missed our weekly phone calls were we update each other about family, life and everything in between. Always admired your sense of justice and your generosity with your time and resources. Rest in peace my dear friend and sister in law

Viviana Rivera - December 18, 2025 at 12:33 PM

LE

I know Viv.

Leonardo - December 18, 2025 at 05:51 PM



“ oPatricita siempre estarás en mis pensamientos y en mi corazón, fuiste un gran apoyo en mi vida, siempre preocupándote por mí, por tus hermanos, por Temy. Cosas que solo por amor y cariño hacías, dejas a Leo y Ricardito como un tesoro en tu vida. Estaremos con ellos cuando nos necesiten, asi como Tú lo hacías con nosotros



Ofi Nuñez - December 18, 2025 at 12:24 PM

LE

Gracias Ofi!

Leonardo - December 18, 2025 at 05:58 PM

DN

“ Dyno Nobel planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Patricia Liliana Mestanza Zúñiga.

Dyno Nobel - December 18, 2025 at 09:20 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Patricia Liliana Mestanza Zúñiga.*



December 18, 2025 at 09:20 AM



“ *Te extraño todos los días. Gracias por tantas pláticas y consejos, eres y siempre serás como mi mejor amiga. Aún todo esto me parece mentira. Te amo.*



Teresa - December 18, 2025 at 07:47 AM



Gracias mi niña

Leonardo - December 18, 2025 at 05:52 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Polo Ruvalcaba - December 17, 2025 at 09:43 PM



I remember this day as if it were yesterday, we had just met but she made me feel welcome, sharing funny anecdotes and showing the food she liked. A hug Leonardo and Ricardo, I have faith that she is in a very good place. A big hug.

Polo Ruvalcaba - December 17, 2025 at 09:54 PM



Thank Polo!

Leonardo - December 18, 2025 at 05:59 PM