



Raquel Flores-Jenkins

February 3, 1926 - March 6, 2004

FLORES-JENKINS, Raquel The family of Raquel Flores-Jenkins deeply mourns her death on Saturday, March 6, 2004 at St. Francis Hospital in Hartford. Born Raquel Aurora Ana Maria Galbis y Rigol in Havana, Cuba, in 1926, she attended Marion University in Indianapolis and La Escuela De Bellas Artes in Havana prior to her marriage to the architect, Hannibal Flores-Jenkins, in 1948. After settling in Connecticut with her husband and children in 1962, Mrs. Flores-Jenkins continued her education; completing a Bachelors degree at the University of Hartford, a Masters degree at Trinity College and, in 1982, a Ph.D. in Romance languages from the University of Connecticut. Mrs. Flores taught extensively during her career as an educator. She taught for several years at St. Thomas Seminary in Bloomfield and was a member of the adjunct faculties of the University of Hartford and Trinity College. She also worked as a translator throughout Connecticut's court system. Above all, Mrs. Flores-Jenkins was a caring, loving and inspirational mother and grandmother. She in turn was loved by her children, grandchildren, daughters and son-in-law. Mrs. Flores-Jenkins and her husband shared a passion for the poetry of Spanish authors such as Federico Garcia Lorca and Miguel de Unamuno. After her family, Mrs. Flores-Jenkins loved painting. She was a talented artist and longtime member of the West Hartford Art League where she exhibited her works in numerous exhibits as well as at other galleries. She is survived by her husband of 55 years, Hannibal; her five children, Richard Flores and wife Barbara, of West Hartford, Fernando Flores and wife Kathy of Granby,

Enrique Flores and wife, Laurel of New York City, Ana Flores-Warren and husband Gabriel, of Wood River Junction, RI, and Michael Flores and wife Sarah, of Harwich, MA; and her 10 grandchildren. She is also survived by her sisters, Marta Salazar, of Coral Gables, FL, and Ana Galbis, of Miami, FL .There will be a memorial service at St. Helena's Church in West Hartford on Saturday, March 13, at 11 a.m. A reception will follow at 1 p.m. at the West Hartford Art League Clubhouse on Buena Vista Road in West Hartford.