



## Barbara M. Reyes

July 11, 1954 - January 1, 2025

Barbara Margarita Reyes, 11 July 1954 - 01 January 2025. Lovingly called “Baby” was born in Veguita, a municipality of Bayamo, Cuba. An early childhood story about Baby, shared by our mother, reveals her discipline and intellectual abilities, from quite early. It is told to us, that while children around her own age, around five, were gathered playing and had mischievously torn plants in a garden, Baby was found in the house library, exploring a new book. In her youth she trained in classical piano and enjoyed receiving high marks from her instructors and praise from her audience. Entering this country with her immediate family in 1967, she quickly learned the English language at Battin High School, and received honors. Her career started early, with training as a teller in Summit Trust Bank, Linden, NJ, and quickly made head teller. In recognition of her leadership, the bank offered her additional training, which allowed her to achieve her many goals. Through the expansion of her career she achieved lucrative activities in mastering the analytical side of the investment business. In recognition of her ability to combine the analytical with social graces she was granted complete start up and management of the Mini Mall - City Federal Bank in Elizabeth, NJ. The extent of her experience and successes allowed Barbara to expand from AVP and VP roles (Ironbound, Newark, NJ, Flemington National, and Hudson United). Throughout her career she was admirable in developing her associates, building lasting client relationships, finding ways to help foundations and most important helping people. In her retirement she experienced declining health issues, and

mental issues (diagnosed bipolar).

Baby will always be remembered and is forever in our hearts. She is now in the special place Jesus made for her. She is in peace, full of health and joy.

Baby, a wife, daughter, sister, aunt, and friend is very loved and now resting in Peace. She is with all family and friends that have gone ahead. Barbara spoke her mind, and was quick to let you know when she was not happy, but after a few minutes of thought everything went back to normal. She was very funny and in a minute you would be laughing about it. She loved sharing her flowers, always wanted to gift something to show her love. She enjoyed cooking, and all her dishes turned out tasty. It made her happy to hear it was delicious. She had a great capacity to love and no one was a stranger. You would think she knew everyone, she talked to everyone. Her zest for life and living life attitude was matched by her stylish wardrobe and collections of shoes, jewelry, hand bags, hats and many accessories.

She is survived by her Husband Russell Del Tufo, Mother (Mami) Digna "LuLu" Reyes, Middle Sister, Norma Virginia Reyes, lovingly called "Momi" and The Youngest Brother, Jesus Segundo Reyes, better known as "Chops" by Friends and Family and his wife Patricia. She is also survived by Her Niece, Ana Maria And her Nephew, Jessie Joaquin. Our Beautiful Cousin Charlene and many, many 2nd and 3rd Cousins.

She cherished her Church, Closer Walk in Leland where everyone she met loved her and laughed with her. Unforgettable Baby, Rest in Peace.

# Tribute Wall

LA

“Baby lived a full life with many successes, laughter, joy and she will be dearly missed. May she rest peacefully in the bosom of Jesus. No more pains, sufferings and sorrows. Prayers for the Reyes family during this difficult time of their loss. God surrounds them with His presence, love and comfort. 🙏🙏🙏❤️

Leila Aboulhosn - January 18, 2025 at 04:37 PM

NO

“My dear sister you are loved and will always be remembered. You, our baby brother Jesù, and I shared a wonderful family, and home life. We grew up with our loving parents, grandparents, and many relatives. We saw wonderful friends become family, through the years.

As I grew up, I realized how you cared for me, as my older sister you watched over me while I played. You always made sure I was safe. You made sure I ate my food first, then my treat (pound cake and milk). Together, we helped our parents keep a clean house, and helped to care for our younger brother.

You became a beautiful woman internally and externally, and achieved many successes, you made us proud.

During the difficult times, because of your health declining, we saw you fight to make it through it all. We remembered your love for us, we could only love you more, and we wanted to be there for you. We will keep you in our hearts.

You are now embraced by all our loved ones in the Kingdom, and one day we will unite again. You know what I will say next, "I'm in no rush, all in God's time". Te amo, con todo mi corazon!

Norma - January 17, 2025 at 10:06 PM

CP

“ *May you rest in eternal peace with your relatives that crossed over before you. Until we meet again, watch over us! Love you forever!*



---

**Charlene Vasquez Pienciak** - January 15, 2025 at 11:56 AM

JM

“ *Really going to miss you Baby . she always called me her angel . Your not in pain anymore . May God give comfort to your beautiful family. Romans 15:13*

---

**Jessica Mestiza** - January 10, 2025 at 07:52 PM

RC

“ *My heart is with you all Reyes family, specially with mami Lulu. Whit my deepest sympathy please receive my sincere condolences at this time of sorrow. Que en paz descanse y que Dios la reciba en su gloria. Rino*

---

**Rino Cali** - January 09, 2025 at 01:08 PM

CS

“ *To the entire Reyes family and friends: May any grief be tempered in the joy of your faith.*

---

**Charles Snyder** - January 09, 2025 at 08:46 AM

KT

“ *Praying for the family*

---

**Kim Tudor** - January 08, 2025 at 10:50 PM

CB

“ Prayers of strength to you all, especially Lulu...She will forever live in your hearts and memories...Rest in Peace Baby 🙏

-----  
**Claudia Bishop** - January 08, 2025 at 04:54 PM

SG

“ Praying for Barbara and the Reyes family.

*With condolences from the Greaux Family.*

-----  
**Silvanna Greaux** - January 08, 2025 at 03:32 PM

CH

“ My Beautiful, Big Sister. Rest In Eternal Peace In The Kingdom of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, of Nazareth. I'll love you forever and a day. Never goodbye, but see you later!!



-----  
**Chops** - January 08, 2025 at 01:02 PM

ML

“ Que descanse en la paz de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo Y que tenga la luz perpetua por siempre. Te amo Mucho mi Hija Bella.

-----  
**Mami, LuLu** - January 08, 2025 at 12:47 PM