

In Loving Memory



Barbara Marie Gomez

May 10, 1941 ~ February 19, 2026

Funeral Services

February 25, 2026 ~ 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Stephenson-Nelson Funeral Home

111 E. Circle St. Avon Park, FL 33825

Committal Services

February 26, 2026 ~ 11:00 a.m.

Wildwood Cemetery - Bartow, FL



Arrangements entrusted to:
Stephenson-Nelson Funeral Home
Avon Park, Florida
Online condolences may be left at
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BARBARA MARIE GOMEZ

Barbara Marie Gomez, age 84, passed away peacefully on Thursday, February 19, 2026, in Sebring, Florida. She was born on May 10, 1941, in Bartow, Florida.

Barbara lived a long and meaningful life defined by love, resilience and dedication. She was known for her strong work ethic, kind heart, and unwavering commitment to her family. A proud and dependable employee, Barbara worked at Walmart for over twenty-four years. She was a hard worker who took great pride in her job and formed many lasting friendships with coworkers and customers alike. Her dedication and reliability were a true reflection of her character.

Barbara was incredibly giving, the kind of person who would give you the shirt off her back without any hesitation. She always put others before herself and found joy in helping who's in need. Her generosity, warmth and selfless spirit left a lasting impression on everyone she met.

Above all else, Barbara cherished her family. She leaves behind her four beloved children; Jerry (Connie) Howard, Debra (Carlos) Romualdo, Cindy Howard, Christi Howard, twelve cherished grandchildren. Lupe, Maria, Julie, Eduardo, Jorge, Jimmy, Christopher, Matthew, Amber, Katrina, Danyella, Sherry and eight great grandchildren, Lupe Jr. Lucas, Leo, Jomar, Kayden, Lucia, Sarai and Baby Reynoso, all of whom brought her great pride and joy.

Barbara was preceded in passing by her beloved daughter; Belinda Howard, Parents; Calvin L and Blanche Lucille (Golon) Godwin, sisters; Teresa Corbit, Margaret Fergeson, and brothers; Dewey Godwin and Kenneth Godwin.

Barbara's life was a testament to perseverance, compassion and quiet strength. She will be deeply missed by all who loved and knew her, but her legacy of love, generosity and hard work will continue to live on in the hearts of her family forever.



“Barbara was a wonderful woman. She was not afraid to speak her mind. She would help anyone she could no matter what. She was like family to me, and the grandmother to my granddaughter, Sherry. She will be deeply missed and always loved.”

A Few Words From Her Walmart Family

In Loving Memory of Barbara Gomez.

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of our beloved associate, Barbara, who worked with us here at 3887 from the very beginning. Since the store's opening, she has been an irreplaceable part of our team, bringing warmth, dedication and kindness to every shift. Barbara was not just a colleague. She was a friend and source of joy and comfort to all who worked alongside her. Her presence lit up the store, and her memory will live on in the hearts of everyone who had the privilege of knowing her. She will be deeply missed by her coworkers, customers and all who were touched by her fiery spirit.