



The family would like to thank everyone for attending the service today and warmly invite you to join them for refreshments & food downstairs in Holy Cross Church after we take Hermelinda to Resurrection Catholic Cemetery :
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Celebrating a Life of Love & Faith

HERMELINDA TOVAR VDA. DE CALLEJAS

(May 1942 - April 2024)



SERVICE DETAILS

January 25th, 2024 at 11:00 am

8311 W 93rd St, Overland Park, KS 66212



In Loving Memory of Hermelinda Tovar

Hermelinda Tovar was born on March 24, 1933, in Lagos de Moreno, Jalisco, Mexico, to Refugio Tovar and Francisca Espinosa. From a young age, Hermelinda began working at the age of 7 to support her family. In her youth, one of her favorite pastimes was dancing, visiting family, and spending time with her loved ones. She was always deeply loved by everyone around her. Later, she married the love of her life, Juan Luis Callejas, with whom she shared a deep and unbreakable bond. Their marriage was blessed with six children, two of whom survive her today.

Through her daughter Gloria Callejas, Hermelinda was blessed with four grandchildren: Isela, Alma, Karen, and Omar. She was also a great-grandmother, with Isela giving her four great-grandchildren and Alma two more.

Her son, Juan Francisco Callejas Tovar, passed away in 2015. Through him, Hermelinda had a granddaughter named Fátima and two great-granddaughters, Hazel and Mariana.

After the passing of her husband, Hermelinda chose not to remarry, honoring his memory and dedicating her life to her family and her faith. Hermelinda's greatest dream was to visit the Holy Land and be baptized in the Jordan River, a dream she was able to fulfill a few years ago.

Throughout her life, Hermelinda traveled back and forth, yearly or bi-yearly, from Mexico City to the United States to visit her family. These trips brought her great joy as she cherished spending time with her children and grandchildren. In the final six years of her life, she decided to stay in the United States, living in the family home, where she found happiness and comfort surrounded by her loved ones. During this time, she was lovingly cared for by her grandchildren Catherine Manrique and Alexander Manrique, along with her daughter Amalia Callejas and her son-in-law Alejandro Manrique, until her last day.

Hermelinda had a heart full of love and compassion. She was known for her talent in the kitchen, where she found joy in preparing meals for her loved ones and sharing her warmth through her cooking. She also treasured the moments she spent with her family, especially going out to eat together and creating unforgettable memories. A woman of deep faith, Hermelinda devoted her life to God, selflessly serving others, always with a positive attitude and a smile for everyone, inspiring those around her to walk the path of kindness and humility.

Her legacy is one of unwavering love, generosity, devotion to God, and dedication to the Virgin Mary and the Mystical Rose. Hermelinda's greatest wish was for her family and friends to follow in her footsteps, embracing a life of faith, compassion, and unity. She departed this life on January 6, 2025, leaving behind an eternal legacy of love and inspiration. She will always be remembered in the hearts of those who had the privilege of knowing her and feeling her unique love, which was her defining characteristic.



Order of Service

10 am Viewing Of Open Casket
11 am Mass
PROCESSIONAL
MUSIC
Creo que Cristo vice By: Pablo Leon Salmo

EULOGY
By: Alejandro Y Catherine
Manrique

OLD TESTAMENT
First Lecture of Job
19:1, 23-27a
By: Sami Amaro

NEW TESTAMENT
2nd Lecture Apostle Saint Paul
The Corinthians (4,15-5,1)
By: Roberto Brizeño

Poem
Sermon/Words Of
Comfort
By: Father Anthony Mersmann

Song
El Alfarero By Sister Gela

CLOSING PRAYERS & BLESSING