

<u>Obituary</u>

Woodrow Donald Gomez was born in Puerto Barrios, Guatemala on March 26, 1960 to Gladstone Gomez and Ida Hall. He had five sisters and three brothers: Patricia, Olivia, Maritza, Maria Josefina, Lorena, Gladstone, Ion and Leno.

Due to Donald's disability he did not have many opportunities for a formal education, however he was a beautiful, kind and loving soul. He was raised in Guatemala where he lived with his two sisters; Olivia, Maritza, and his parents. He immigrated to the United States when he was 29 years old where he continued walking the path of life with his mother and ultimately his sister Olivia after his mother's passing. He enjoyed attending church gatherings with his mother where he praised danced and clapped along to upbeat church hymns. He loved watching his favorite novela "Rubi", helping with chores around the house and dancing. His favorite holiday was Thanksgiving and we all knew how fast he could clean a plate! Most importantly Donald was exceptionally well mannered and shared a great love for his family. He gave away many warm hugs and fist bumps in his lifetime which I am all sure we wish we could have just one more of. Not only was he known for wisecracking friendly jokes on his nieces and nephews but also for igniting a room with his laughter. Donald was much loved by his family, friends and will be immensely missed by us all.

He was called home on February 27th 2021. We his family take great comfort in knowing that he is at peace and rejoicing in spirit with his beloved "mama", Ida Hall. No one who met him forgot his endearing smile and affectionate gestures. Donald did not have any children but is survived by his many first and great nieces and nephews including Ashley, Nichole, Magan, Kimberly, Naomi, Genesis, Amilsa, Jason, Anthony, Mariano, Steven and Foofie.

"There are some who bring a light so great to the world that even after they have gone their light remains"
-Unknown

Order of Service

Opening Prayer

Scripture Reading: Old Testament New Testament

Selection

Obituary

Reflections

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Eulogy

Committal

Benediction

Final Viewing

Recessional

<u>Interment</u> Kensico Cemetery

If Tears Could Build A Stairway

If tears could build a stairway And memories were a lane I would walk right up to heaven And bring you back again

No farewell words were spoken No time to say goodbye You were gone before I knew it And only God knows why

My heart still aches with sadness And secret tears still flow What it meant to lose you No one will ever know

But now I know you want me
To mourn for you no more
To remember all the happy times
Life still has much in store

Since you'll never be forgotten
I pledge to you today
A hallowed place within my heart
Is where you'll always stay

Author: Unknown

Acknowledgment

The family wishes to thank all of you for your prayers, messages of comfort and the many other acts of kindness shown during our hour of bereavement. May God continue to bless you in a very special way.



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