



Sylvia McElhaney

April 2, 1958 - April 10, 2022

Sylvia McElhaney was a devoted wife, loving mother, understanding aunt, supportive sister, loyal friend and all around amazing person! She was the glue of the family, a helping hand at the ready and an open ear to listen. She is and will be missed dearly. There is just not enough to say to fully describe her.

She was born in Firebaugh and raised in Fresno. After Graduating from Fresno State University with a Bachelor's in Social Work she went on to fulfill both a personal and professional life full of service. Sylvia and William shared a marriage that was seen and felt by all who knew them! The family gatherings hosted by Sylvia and William will always be remembered and held in high regard. They have sown so many seeds of happiness and encouragement in the lives of the many who knew them. Though their passing brings tears, their memory brings smiles and laughter. We miss you, appreciate you and will carry your memory in our hearts.

She is preceded in death by both her Parents; Jesse and Rosie Cruz, her siblings; Ruben, Anita, Jesse Jr., and Ernie.

She is survived by her Children; Simon Collazo III, Zoe Monae McElhaney, Josiah McElhaney; her siblings; Rudy Cruz, Rosemary Perez and Angelo Cruz, many loving aunts, cousins, nephews, nieces, in laws and life long friends.

Cemetery Details

St. Peter's Cemetery

264 N. Blythe Avenue
Fresno, CA 93706

Previous Events

Wake Service

APR 28. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (PT)

Chapel of the Light
1620 W. Belmont Avenue
Fresno, CA 93728
michael@chapelofthelight.com
<http://www.chapelofthelight.com>

Funeral Service

APR 29. 11:30 AM (PT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Sylvia McElhaney*

September 15, 2022 at 09:34 PM



“ *My deepest condolences. She will be deeply missed.*

DelilahMarroquin - April 28, 2022 at 02:22 PM



“ *Barron Stark Engineers, LP purchased the Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Sylvia McElhaney.*



Barron Stark Engineers, LP - April 27, 2022 at 03:10 PM



“ *Healing Tears - Lavender and White was purchased for the family of Sylvia McElhaney.*



April 26, 2022 at 03:31 PM



“ *Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- All White was purchased for the family of Sylvia McElhaney.*



April 26, 2022 at 02:45 PM



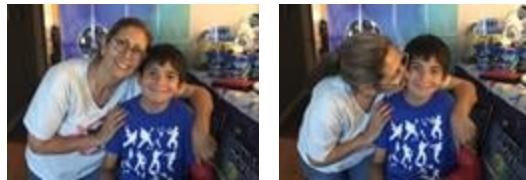
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April 22, 2022 at 01:32 PM



“ *My family thought of Sylvia as an aunt. I met her through my mom who always spoke highly of her. Sylvia took care of my middle son Dylin from the time he was 3 months old to about 2 years old because I didn't want to put him in daycare. My son and Sylvia had an incredible bond. She was an amazing human being. We will miss her always. She will forever be in our hearts.*



Tiffany Aguirre - April 20, 2022 at 04:20 PM

MM

Sending my prayers to the Cruz Family!!! I knew and grew up in the same neighborhood with them. So sad this has happened. I will pray for God's comfort and peace to be with the Family at this time God Bless Love Monica (Castillo) Moens❤️

Monica Castillo Moen - April 25, 2022 at 03:33 PM

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*“ My beautiful Tia... never failed to make me laugh!!! She was my go to... the one I always wanted to make proud! Life will NEVER be the same without her... I can still hear her laugh and see her smile!!! I'm going to hurt forever missing you... I love you Tia ❤️
-Your Niece Angelina Cruz*

Angelina Cruz - April 19, 2022 at 11:36 PM

RP

“ EVERYTIME I THINK OF MY SISTER SYLVIA, I SEE A LITTLE GIRL WITH A SWEET SMILE. ABOUT THE LAST 3 MONTHS OR SO, SYLVIA WOULD COME CHECK ON ME AS I HAD BEEN QUITE ILL. AND AS SHE DID, WE GOT CLOSER THAN WE HAD EVER BEEN. SHARING & CARING. THAT WAS SYLVIA. ON THAT MORNING , APRIL 10 TH, NEITHER ONE OF US KNOWING, NOT A SINGLE CLUE THAT SHE ONLY HAD SO MANY HOURS LEFT OF LIFE. BEFORE SHE LEFT, I HAD SHARED SOMTHING WITH HER, IT BROUGHT BACK THAT SAME HAPPY SMILE, THE SAME ONE SHE SHARED WITH ME AS A SMALL LITTLE GIRL. I MISS YOU MIJA, I WILL BE THERE TOO SOMEDAY MY PRET, MY YAQUI PRET. REST IN GOD'S GLORY, REST NOW MIJA, SLEEP.IN THE BLOOD OF JESUS I PRAY ...& MAY JEHOVA FATHER GOD GIVE YOU A SPECIAL PLACE , IN HEAVEN , CAUSE HEAVEN IS A PARADISE.REST IN PEACE,. MAY YOU REST IN PEACE....AMEN. I LOVE YOU SYLVIA, ...FROM ROSEMARY CRUZ, PEREZ.

ROSEMARY PEREZ - April 18, 2022 at 01:43 PM

AA

“ *Sylvia was a great person in the short time I new her . Sylvia and I worked together. I trained her . We had stories and we both cared about our patients . She will greatly missed . I pray God guides this family during the time of need .*

Ashley Aguilera - April 17, 2022 at 08:45 AM

JS

“ *Like everyone else I was shocked and saddened to hear of the passing of my cousin Sylvia and her husband. I always enjoyed her company. She would always greet you with a smile, compliment, and a hug. She will surely be missed. May the good Lord comfort her loved ones during these difficult times.*

Jerry Sanchez

Jerry Sanchez - April 16, 2022 at 03:11 PM