



Maria Rosario Colmenero

March 27, 1941 - January 9, 2024

Maria Rosario Colmenero, 82, a beloved resident of Houston, Texas, passed away on Tuesday, January 9, 2024.

Born on March 27, 1941, to Margarita Santos and Francisco Alejandro Colmenero in Corpus Christi, Texas, Rosie thrived as the Drill Team Captain at WB Ray High School during her senior year in 1958. In that same year, Rosie met Audencio Leal at a local grocery store, sparking a connection. Together, they raised four children – Lee, Nathan, Roman, and Laurie.

In 1966, Rosie, along with her husband, Audencio Leal, and their three sons embarked on a new chapter in Houston, Texas. There, she fulfilled her dream of having a baby daughter and pursued her career in cosmetology. With a determined entrepreneurial spirit, Rosie opened her first salon, initiating a successful 30-year journey in hairstyling.

Following her retirement in 2005, Rosie's devotion to her Christian faith continued to play a significant role in her life, guiding her actions and providing solace. She found joy in cutting her family's hair, and arts and crafts with a particular fondness for coloring books.

Rosie was preceded in death by five siblings and her eldest grandson. She is survived by her ex-husband, four children, ten grandchildren, eight great-

grandchildren, and two siblings.

Services to celebrate Rosie's life will be held at Santana Funeral Directors, 401 SSgt Macario Garcia Dr., Houston, TX 77011, on January 13, 2024, at 2:00 pm. For those wishing to support Rosie and her family, please consider contributing to the GoFundMe campaign.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JAN 13. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

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