



Esperanza Cosme

September 29, 1927 - December 26, 2023

Esperanza Cosme who was passionately known to many as "Ms. Hope" has peacefully earned her wings on Tuesday, December 26, 2023, at Douglasville Georgia in the comfort of her own home with her daughter, Tamara Thomas.

Esperanza Cosme was born on September 29, 1927 at San Juan, Puerto Rico where she lived prior to her relocating to New Haven, CT in the 1940's. Ms. Cosme was the only daughter born to her late mother, Ms. Tomas Maisonett and her father, Mr. Felix Cosme.

Upon Ms. Cosme relocating to Connecticut, she took pride in her Hispanic culture, as she was known to be a strong advocate and a member of the Connecticut Legislative Black and Puerto Rican Caucus that was formed in 1976 to help raise awareness of the economic empowerment of the minority communities in the State of Connecticut and to assist minorities with attaining political offices.

Ms. Cosme served for a period, as a Spanish court interpreter in New Haven, CT, and she was employed for 30 years at Winchester Firearms where she retired in 1987.

Ms. Cosme was an active member of the Oriental Faith Chapter Number 5 International Order of the Eastern Star and retired at the highest heights.

Ms. Cosme aka "Ms. Hope" was known to be a pillar of her community located at the former Church Street South where she lived for 30 years and was the only known tenant with the gated fence. She loved her community, as she spent many years helping to care for her neighbors, their children, visiting those who were either in the hospital, nursing homes, and she was often known to be generous with supporting charities that were specific to physically ailed and disabled children such as the St. Jude Foundation and the Disabled Veteran National Foundation in lieu of her grandson, Allen Jenkins who retired as an Army Sargeant.

Ms. Cosme leaves to cherish in her memories one daughter, Tamara Thomas and her grandson who she raised as her own son, Allen Jenkins (Yolanda) of New Jersey; Maritza Jenkins-Tingle (Zachary) of Baltimore, Maryland; Esperanza Hope Jenkins of Douglassville, Georgia; Tamara Randall and Edward Randall, Jr. (Jasmine) of New Haven, Connecticut.

Her great grandchildren are as follows; Timeka Caldwell, Shylia Jenkins, Amber Jenkins, Martiza Jenkins, Lolita Jenkins-Brown (Marcus), Allen Jenkins (Mark), Carlton Felder, Eddie Randall III (Candace), Joshua Randall, Tehya Randall, Elijah Randall, Daniel Randall and Isaac Randall. Her great great grandchildren are as follows; Joshua Camardo, Lydia and Eliza Hawkins, Jayshon Grandy, Laila Bruce, Dakota Harris, Tessa Randall, Caiden Randall, Jaxen Randall, Ashton Randall, Mi'lani Randall, Zoey Randall, and Cru Thomas

She was predeceased by her mother, Ms. Tomas Maisonett, father, Mr. Felix Cosme, and her son-in-law, Richard Thomas.

Cemetery Details

Evergreen Cemetery

769 Ella T Grasso Blvd
New Haven, CT 06519
(203) 624-5505

Previous Events

Calling Hour

JAN 13. 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM (ET)

McClam Funeral Home Chapel
95 Dixwell Ave
New Haven, CT 06511

Funeral Service

JAN 13. 9:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

MB

“ Mia Becton lit a candle in memory of Esperanza Cosme



Mia Becton - January 15, 2024 at 12:11 PM

CA

“ Allen our condolences and prayers are with you and the family 🙏🙏
🙏 . From her neighbor and friend church street south Skeat

Cynthia Alford - January 12, 2024 at 06:24 PM

VW

“ Vaughn Stephanie Willis lit a candle in memory of Esperanza Cosme



Vaughn and Stephanie Willis - January 12, 2024 at 02:55 PM

FF

“ From a friend planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Esperanza Cosme.

From a friend - January 12, 2024 at 12:19 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Esperanza Cosme.*



January 12, 2024 at 12:19 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Esperanza Cosme.*



January 12, 2024 at 07:31 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Esperanza Cosme.*



January 11, 2024 at 05:45 PM



“ *Kaprice Miller lit a candle in memory of Esperanza Cosme*



Kaprice Miller - January 11, 2024 at 04:33 PM

KL

“ Dear Allen, Maritza, Esperanza, Tamara, and Eddie :
Sending sincere condolences on the loss of Ms. Esperanza. I hold
fond memories in my heart of visiting her with you all when we were
young. She was a woman who loved God and loved you all. May
God comfort you at this difficult time. Love,
Charmaine

Kenyetta Luck - January 11, 2024 at 12:03 PM

KC

“ Kimberly Chambers lit a candle in memory of
Esperanza Cosme



Kimberly Chambers - January 11, 2024 at 08:11 AM