



Marlinda "Marti" Villeda

October 25, 1965 - August 5, 2023

Marlinda Ann Villeda, 57 of Cottondale, Florida passed away, Saturday, August 5, 2023.

Marlinda affectionately known as "Marti", was born in Passaic, New Jersey on October 25, 1965. She worked with Piggly Wiggly in Graceville and then with the Family Dollar before her retirement. Marti enjoyed spending time with her family, fishing, gardening and crafts.

She was preceded in death by her father James Marlin VanDuren, Sr. and one brother James M. VanDuren, Jr.

She is survived by her mother Ellen VanDuren, six children Stephanie Pellicer (Brian), Amber Paulsen, Timmy Paulsen, John Paulsen, Carmen Villeda, Antonio Villeda (Adessa); three grandchildren Lindsey Pellicer, Carlos Villeda, Winston Villeda; partner Moises Villeda, four siblings Leonard Cortwright, Robert VanDuren, John VanDuren, Tammy Jones, several nieces and nephews.

A Celebration of Her Life will be held 5 p.m., (CDT), Friday, August 11, 2023, at the Chapel of James & Lipford Funeral Home. The family will have a time of visiting from 4:30 p.m. until 5 p.m.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 11. 4:30 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Being sisters, we had our differences, but through it all, I still loved you a great deal. I was very saddened by the news of your passing, but I know you're in such a better place than this world you left behind. I know Dad and James were there to greet you when you walked through those gates to Heaven. We'll miss you here but know that we'll one day reunite and the chain will once again be whole. Until then, I say "see you later," never goodbye. Love ya sis.



Tammy Jones - August 10, 2023 at 04:05 PM

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“ Every Saturday our day was already planned out. We would load her grand babies up and spend the day with her. Having the opportunity to help her clean, do her medicine and take her shopping when needed made me feel so happy. She appreciated everything that was done for her. Seeing the smile on her face when we walked in the door with Winston and Carlos was so heart warming. She loved spending time with her family but most importantly her grand babies. She was the greatest mother, grandmother, and mother in law. Whether we are near or far a part you will always be in my heart. Fly high beautiful💜

Adessa Villeda - August 10, 2023 at 09:02 AM

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“ I met Marti shortly after my daughter Adessa married Antonio. She didn't talk much at first because we didn't really know each other. I told everyone I'm gonna try to get to know her because she wasn't a people person. And I did. Knowing I could get rejected and that would have been fine. One day she asked for a light and I gave her one. Everyone I seen her I would speak first to help her get more comfortable. Well it worked! Within me moving across from her I extended the invitation to come over anytime she wanted. I found out she was a listener with a observation personality. Anything you said she never said a word. She would just say nothing. Her face expression said it all. She is the most kindest peaceful loving friend anyone could ever have. I am so pleased to say I'm glad I wasn't afraid of rejection and gained a true friend finally being 60 years old. She definitely has changed my outlook on social experiences and I will forever be grateful for her trusting me with the opportunity. I'm deeply saddened that we never got to play yathzee & played cards. My friend ...When I get to see you again which I will . We will play them together because I know heaven gained a angel. This isn't goodbye Marti . My door was always open for you to walk in & you walked thru heaven's doors. Until I see you just remember I love you with all my heart and soul my friend. Patricia Lint❤️



Patricia Lint - August 09, 2023 at 10:43 PM