

Remedios “Remy” de Lara

June 9, 1926 – March 27, 2015

Remedios ‘Remy’ Villamor Alejandrino de Lara passed away peacefully at the Hospice in Victoria on Friday, March 27, at 8:05 p.m. with her family around her immediately after prayers were concluded. She was 88. Born on June 9, 1926, in Manila, Philippines, she was predeceased by her father, Alfredo Alejandrino; her mother, Longina ‘Nena’ Villamor Alejandrino; her husband, Domingo de Lara (2002), and four younger brothers: Eulalio, Alfredo Jr., Rodolfo and Anselmo. She will be dearly missed by her younger sister, Evangeline Williams; her seven children and their spouses: Melissa [Nick Lansigan] in New York, Laila [Ben Pires] in Victoria, Danny [Cynch] in New York, Lorina [Milivoj Miklenic] in Victoria, Joel [Melisa] in Virginia, Amabel [JB Lim] in Victoria, and Stella [Ferdie Castillo] in Victoria; 16 grandchildren: Nick and Raymund Lansigan in New York; Erick Lansigan [Reina] in New Hampshire; Karl Pires [Saho] in Japan; Jason and Serena Pires [Amit Ahuja] in Vancouver; Dee, Daniel and Darrell de Lara in New York; Larissa Miklenic; Gabbie de Lara (in New York); Ticia de Lara (in Virginia), Katrina and Anna Lim; Carlo and Nando Castillo; and six great grand children: Liana Lansigan, Misha Pires, Amica Lansigan, Angelina Lim, Kaiya Ahuja and Reyan Ahuja. She was also the foster mother of Manuel, Bella and Lope Sulit, and Emalina ‘Amy’ Ascher after they were orphaned in 1946 and foster grandmother of Simone Ascher. She will also be missed by numerous extended family and friends.

Remy was a devoted and beloved wife and mother and a doting grandma and great grandma. She was a naturally talented cook and an avid gardener. Travel, shopping, delicious home cooked meals, music and laughter were hallmarks of frequent family reunions. Her sweet and charming smile belied her tenacity, courage and strict management. She immigrated to Canada in

1979. Living in Victoria indulged her love of flowers and gardens. She actively participated in enriching multiculturalism through the Philippine Bayanihan Community Centre.

Prayer Services will be held on Saturday, April 4, at 5 pm in McCall's Floral Chapel, Johnson & Vancouver Streets in Victoria. The Eucharistic Celebration and funeral service will be on Monday, April 6, at 12 noon at Sacred Heart Church at 1440 Nelthorpe Street in Saanich. Remy was grateful for her wonderful life and requested that the attire be colorful and bright at the Celebration of her Life. The family thanks her compassionate doctors, caregivers and the Hospice. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made, according to her wishes, to the Philippine Bayanihan Community Centre, 1709 Blanshard Street, Victoria, B.C. V8W 2J8 or to the Victoria Hospice. Condolences may be offered to the family below.

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