



Ana Ricalo

March 14, 1929 - December 2, 2024

Ana Ricalo died on December 2, 2024 in Houston, Texas.

She was born in Cueto, Cuba on March 14, 1929. Ana came to the United States in 1967 with her husband Luis and her three daughters, Ana, Liliana and Libia.

Ana came to the United States speaking no English, and with little formal education, and within five years of her arrival her beloved husband passed away. Yet through her iron will and determination, she maintained a beautiful home and ensured that her three daughters graduated from college and became successful professionals. Those daughters have over 130 years of marriage between them and gave Ana five grandchildren of whom she was justifiably proud. She also had four great-grandchildren, of whom she was equally proud while denying that she was old enough to be their great-grandmother.

When she died, she still maintained her own beautiful home, although it was a rare concession to age she had recently allowed others to mow her lawn during the Houston summers. She also continued to drive, one of her last solo journeys having been to exercise her franchise in the democracy to which she had emigrated 57 years previously. That she drove at 95 years of age without

running over any of her neighbors is more evidence of the existence of a benevolent God than testament to her driving acumen.

Ana was the personification of the American dream and had the toughness and determination to make it a reality.

Ana was predeceased by loving husband Luis Roberto Ricalo with whom she now resides in eternity.

She is survived by her daughters, Ana Maria Ricalo Flint and her son-in-law Robert Flint, Liliana Ricalo Langlois and her son-in-law Raymond Langlois and Libia Ricalo Zucker and her son-in-law Jay Zucker.

She is survived by her grandchildren Alan Flint and his wife Stephanie, Andrea Flint, Elliott Langlois and his wife Christen, Christine Langlois and Joni Zucker.

She is survived by her great-grandchildren, Emma and Gabriel Flint and Lily and Cole Langlois.

She is also survived by many loving extended family members throughout the United States and caring and devoted friends she made in her years living in Houston, Texas. They will miss her homemade lemon poppy seed cake and flan.

The family would like to thank the entire staff of Houston Methodist Clear Lake Hospital and Harbour Hospice for their caring and compassion. They made Ana's last days dignified and peaceful.

In lieu of flowers the family would like a donation be made in her memory to :
The Ronald McDonald House at Children's Memorial Hermann. <https://rmhchoouston.org/donation-opportunities/>

Previous Events

Viewing

DEC 9. 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

Dwyer & Michael's Funeral Home
90 North Broadway
Tarrytown, NY 10591

Graveside Service

DEC 9. 12:45 PM (ET)

Sleepy Hollow Cemetery
540 N. Broadway
Sleepy Hollow , NY 10591

Tribute Wall

CD

“ We will miss this special lady. She always had a smile and hug for us (her daughter Ana, and husband, Bob, are our children's godparents), and so she became for us another part of a wonderful family. She was strong and gracious and loving. And her flan was the best. What an example of grit, love, and perseverance!

Connie DuPre - December 08, 2024 at 06:26 PM

LG

“ Dear cousins,
Tia Ana will always hold a very special place in my heart. She always made me feel loved and special. I remember the summers that she invited me to stay in Nicaro, so I could enjoy playing with you. Also, she is admired for her strength to be able to take care and provide for her three daughters as a single mother, after tragically becoming a widow at a very young age. May you rest in peace Tia Ana. With love, Libin (la morita)

Libin Gonzalez - December 07, 2024 at 10:04 AM

LC

“ Dear Nani, Lily and Pilin,
Have many fond memories of Ana and the family in Nicaro and in Tarrytown. Ana and my mom were great friends and we are very sorry to hear of her passing.
Nuestro más sentido pésame. Que en Paz descanse.
Lolita y Loly

Loly Crowley - December 05, 2024 at 10:51 PM

JA

“ I always felt loved by Aunt Ana. One of the most memorable events of my life was getting invited to go back with her and the rest of her family to Tarrytown, NY. Experiencing several weeks in NY with the extended family was so exciting for 10 yr old me. I saw so many things that I could only dream about or read about in World Book encyclopedia. I had so much fun playing games and watching movies with my cousins. That summer was an eye opener for me and it was the beginning of my love for travel. Throughout the years Ana was always wonderful and supportive voice in my life. I greatly respected her ability to make a life for her and her 3 daughter after the way too premature passing of my uncle Luis. God bless you Ana. I will always remember and appreciate you. Jaime Aguet

Jaime Aguet - December 04, 2024 at 09:50 PM