



Otilia Hernandez Linden

February 26, 1926 - July 9, 2023

Otilia (Hernandez) Linden of Whittier California formerly of Los Angeles California and El Paso Texas died peacefully in her sleep at 97 years old on Sunday, July 9, 2023. Born February 26, 1926, in Chihuahua Mexico, she is predeceased by her parents Maria Esparza Hernandez and Francisco Hernandez, her daughter Dora Luz Saucedo, and her grandsons Peter and Kenneth. Otilia is survived by her son Benny Limas and five grandchildren Martha, Yvette, Malina, Miriam, and Darla; 17 great-grandchildren Jessica, Gary, Timothy, Joshua, Amanda, Amber, Nathaniel, Joshua M., Noah, Isaiah, Dora, Elyssa, Ethan, Elijah, Jarred, Hannah, and Madison and 8 great-great-grandchildren Benji, Elizabeth, Riley, Benicio, Gabriel, Moses, Soriyah and Aurora.

Otilia was one of 11 children of her parents who were married for 50 years. She was born at home with the help of a nurse her dad went to get in a carriage. She was raised with very little and was only able to attend school from 1st to 6th grade. Growing up she enjoyed playing “la arana”, “encantados” and “cebollitas”. She had to learn to cook, sew and clean at a very young age. She did very well in school learning to read and write. At 14 she went to beauty school for 2 years to learn how to do hair. All the money she earned was given to her parents to help the family. At age 16 she was

able to wear lipstick and had her first boyfriend.

Otilia was married on September 26, 1946, at the age of 20. Her fiancé bought her an expensive beautiful white wedding dress. Her wedding consisted of a ceremony and dinner but no dancing. She moved to El Paso Texas with her husband to start their life together in the United States. She was the first in her family to immigrate to the United States. She learned to speak and write English and worked in a sewing factory but spent most of her career working in binding books. She became a US Citizen and was very proud to be able to vote in 1996.

One of the most important events in her life was April 3, 1977. On that day, her daughter asked her to go to a Johnny Barton crusade in Los Angeles with the whole family. She gave her heart to the Lord Jesus Christ at 51 years old.

Otilia lived a modest life but always was happy and giving to others. She shared the Lord every day throughout the streets of Los Angeles into her nineties. One of her favorite Bible verses was Proverbs 3:5 "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding." She read her Bible daily and loved to sing worship songs in her home.

She wanted her family to know that when she died she didn't want sadness but to know she had eternal life and would be living forever because she had Jesus Christ in her heart.

Her prayer for her family was Proverbs 3:6 “In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.” Her desire was that her family be together, love each other, and live in peace. She wanted her family to know that true joy comes through relationship with Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.

She touched all our family’s lives as well as brought 100’s to God’s Kingdom. She will be greatly missed but will continue to live through her grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

AUG **19**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (PT)

Memory Garden Memorial Park
455 W Central Ave
Brea, CA 92821

Tribute Wall

DA

“ *My abuela me and the familia luv - Darla -*



DARLA ALLEN - August 17, 2023 at 12:00 PM

DA

“ *Loved visiting grandma her home always smelled like delicious pastries and fried chicken. We loved going through the old pictures and she would share stories about herself. It was her special way of letting me get to know her. She will be extremely missed but never forgotten. I can't even count how many lives she turned to God she is truly an angel. -Darla-*



DARLA ALLEN - August 16, 2023 at 05:16 PM



“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Otilia Hernandez Linden.*



August 16, 2023 at 04:58 PM

ML

“ My Beautiful Grandma Tillie I will never forget the love I felt from your hugs and powerful prayers. I remember going to visit you with mom on the weekends. The smell of your house filled with pan dulce. Chicken and potatoes and tortillas. I enjoyed hearing you share the word of God and telling me how important it was to pray. When I was pregnant with Madison I told you what I was going to name her and You told me no Mija don't name her medicina. Thinking about that always make me smile. You were a wonderful loving grandma. I have every card you sent me each year. I love you Grandma Tillie. This is not good bye this is until we see each other again on the other side. Love Your Grand Daughter Miriam Celesta Lopez



Miriam Lopez - July 28, 2023 at 10:45 PM

DA

Miriam please keep an eye out that the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray I got grandma does get to her. It should be there before the ceremony starts. Thanks Darla

DARLA ALLEN - August 16, 2023 at 05:22 PM

YW

“ Grandma sending the family Love ❤️❤️❤️



Yvette Worthington - July 27, 2023 at 10:37 PM

YW

“ 7 files added to the tribute wall



Yvette Worthington - July 27, 2023 at 10:36 PM

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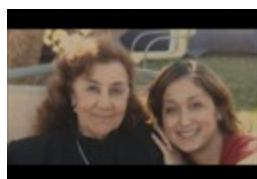
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Yvette Worthington - July 27, 2023 at 10:34 PM

MA

“ My Grandma Tillie was Love, Kindness, and Elegance. I looked forward to her abundant hugs and listening to her sweet tender voice. I remember my Grandma Tillie always visiting our childhood home she was a movie star to me always dressed so Sharp she gave all of us attention and Love. Grandma Tillie had so much love for the Lord she shined so bright. I always admired her Devotion to God, her Love for family, her consistent presence in our lives, and even if life got busy and time got away from us, she never forgot about us. You could always hear the joy in her voice from calling her. She always made me feel like time never passed when I would talk to her on the phone, she always told me how proud she was of me and how she always prayed for me and my family. If my Grandma Tillie had a favorite Granddaughter I will never know because she always made me feel special and told me how much she loved me, she always told me God had wonderful things in store for me. My walk with God has grown stronger because of my Grandma Tillie. And what a blessing to tell her many times how much she meant to me and how much I loved her. Grandma Tillie thank you so much for the best blessing you gave me, My mole that matches yours on my chin❤️



Malina Lopez Ancona - July 27, 2023 at 10:25 PM

YW

“ My Grandma was the best grandma in the world. She taught me how to cook, wash dishes and sew by hand. When I couldn't read she soothe summer teaching me. I accepted Jesus into my heart with my grandma. Even though she had very little you couldn't leave her house without something. Grandma I have enough deodorant to last me years. I wear your sweater and robe to feel close to you and I can still smell you. Thank you for helping me with my Spanish on my first job. Thank you for raising my daughter the first 5 years of her life giving her more love than imaginable. Thank you for teaching me how to pray and for being the prayer warrior for our family. You truly had a red hotline phone to the Lord. Thank you for believing in me and encouraging me . Si se puede. I know you always knew how much I loved you. I have a lifetime of memories and stories that I continue to pass on and make sure our history continues to live forward. Know you will be missed but never forgotten. I am proud to share your birthday and name. With Love
Yvette Otilia Worthington



Yvette Worthington - July 27, 2023 at 10:15 PM

NW

“ My Abuela was always loving and kind. She always made food when family visited. She called and sang me Happy Birthday. She always said I was guapo and should stay away from those girls. You came to my birthday parties and hit my pinata. You made me appreciate my heritage and encouraged me to learn Spanish. My friends never believed I was Hispanic until I showed my pictures of my abuela. I will keep my memories close to me and also all the stories my mom shared. I will pass them on to my family one day. I love you very much and will continue to make you proud. Love Nathaniel



Nathaniel Worthington - July 27, 2023 at 09:55 PM



“ I don't have enough words to express how much Abuela meant to me. She helped raise me and created this wonderful childhood for me that I'll never forget. We played hide and seek, went to the park, did puzzles, rode the bus around L.A., read books and so much more. She was always there for me. I could always count on her to call and sing me Happy Birthday and send a card. It means so much that she was at my various graduations, all the way through college. I still can't believe she's gone, but never forgotten. She will live in my heart and memories forever. I will keep her memory alive by telling my daughter stories about her. I loved her very much. -
Amanda



Amanda Worthington - July 27, 2023 at 07:59 PM



Miriam - July 28, 2023 at 10:29 PM

AW

“ I am so saddened that my precious abuela passed away. I have so many memories with her and that it would be impossible to think of just one. I remember how whenever I would see her she would always give us chicle, that her house was full of life and always smelled like delicious home cook food, that she always loved watching her Madea movies, that she would always call me on my birthday and sing me happy birthday or when I would call her on her birthday she would always think it was my mother calling. It was a blessing to hear her call me on my wedding day and share some more wisdom with me. No matter what she would always pray for blessings on us and remind us to always put the Lord first. She was an incredibly strong woman and an inspiration to me. I love you so much abuela and I hope that you are enjoying your mansion in heaven and singing praises to the Lord. Con cariño tu chiquita Amber ❤️❤️❤️



Amber Worthington - July 27, 2023 at 07:49 PM

MI



Miriam - July 28, 2023 at 10:29 PM