



Lizzette Maria Torres

April 11, 1950 - April 21, 2015

Lizzette Maria Torres, 65, of St. Albans passed away April 21, 2015 at Hubbard Hospice House West after a courageous battle with cancer. Lizzette was born in Ponce, Puerto Rico on April 11, 1950. She taught social studies in Puerto Rico before moving to St. Albans with her family in 1982, where she has lived for 33 years. Lizzette graduated with a Bachelor's degree from Pontificate Catholic University of Puerto Rico and a Master's degree from West Virginia State College. Lizzette taught at Shawnee School for 3 years before accepting a position at Hayes Junior High (now Hayes Middle School) where she taught Spanish to 7th, 8th and 9th grade students. Her enthusiasm, appreciation of cultures and languages, and caring for her students are the legacies she leaves behind. Many students continued with their Spanish education because of her love of languages. She retired from her beloved profession in 2014.

Lizzette was passionate about her family, church, work, America and West Virginia. She was an avid reader and a loyal WVU Mountaineer fan. Other interests included dancing, music and travel. Her sense of humor and compassion inspired both children and adults.

Lizzette was preceded in death by her parents; Homero and Jimna Tarrats and by her twin brother Dr. Homero Tarrats all of Puerto Rico.

She is survived by her sister Jimnalith Tarrats of San Juan Puerto Rico. She was a loving mother to her sons; Adolfo (Ashley) Torres of Hurricane and Carlos Torres of St. Albans; her daughters, Ana (Chad) Baber of Winfield and Mariana (Clayton) Bradley of Winfield. In addition Lizzette was a doting grandmother of her two granddaughters, Lola and Isabel and four grandsons, Alex, Lucas, Cole and Baer. Also surviving is former husband Adolfo "Bambi" Torres of St. Albans. Lizzette will be greatly missed by countless friends, colleagues and neighbors.

The family would like to especially thank Dr. Gerard Oakley and staff at Cabell Huntington Hospital for their skill and compassion. Appreciation also goes to Hubbard Hospice West, South Charleston for the staff's comforting of Lizzette and her family.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:00am Friday April 24, 2015 at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, 1023 Sixth Avenue, St. Albans with Rev. Father Patrick M. McDonough as celebrant. Burial will follow in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Scott Depot.

Visitation will be held from 5-8pm Thursday at the church.

Visit www.chapmanfuneralhomes.com to share memories or to express condolences.

Anyone wishing to make a donation in Lizzette's memory may do so to St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church or Hubbard Hospice House-West, South Charleston.

Bartlett-Chapman Funeral Home, family-owned and located at 409 Sixth Avenue, St. Albans is honored to serve the Torres family.

Cemetery Details

St. Patrick's Catholic Cemetery

Joyce Road
Scott Depot, WV

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **23**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church
1023 Sixth Avenue
St. Albans, WV 25177

Mass of Christian Burial

APR **24**. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church
1023 Sixth Avenue
St. Albans, WV 25177

Tribute Wall



“ *Lizzette Maria Torres*

October 06, 2023 at 08:41 AM



“ *Dear Adolfo, Carlos, Ana, Mariana and all the family:*

We are very sadden by your loss. Lizzette was one of the most sweetest and caring people we have ever met. She was a wonderful friend that will be miss. My love to you all. We are praying that knowing you will see her again, will be of comfort to you all. She is now at peace, free of pain, and at the side of those she loved so much that were waiting for her (her parents, brother, grandmother). I know she will be watching and for you all always.

*Our sincere condolences,
Miguel and Millie Ramirez and family*

Emelina Ramirez - April 27, 2015 at 08:33 PM



“ *Jimna, mi mas sentido pesame a ti y a tu familia. Recuerdo con mucho cariño a Mrs. Tarrats, una maestra que marco mi vida y desperto mi curiosidad. Que descanse en paz.*

Patricia L. Orr - April 27, 2015 at 06:26 AM

DB

“ To Lizette's children," I love you all." You all knew you all were her gift from God. You are in my thoughts and prayers. So sadden to learn of her passing. I so loved working with her at Hayes Middle where she was one of the best Spanish teachers for KCS. We shared our ordeals about going thru cancer in the last year. I'm still battling my Stage 3 Breast Cancer. I know Lizette and I will meet again on the Heavenly Shore. God Bless All of You.

Dr. Deborah Baldwin - April 26, 2015 at 12:24 PM

KE

“ The West Virginia and Kanawha County Associations of Retired School Employees extend their sincere sympathy to you, the family, in your sorrow. Blessings to all.

Kan. Co. Retired School Employees - April 25, 2015 at 04:44 PM

MP

“ I knew Lizette and her family about 35 years ago...a very sweet and wonderful lady. My deepest condolence to Adolfo and their children. Manuel del Pino from Canary Islands.

Manuel del Pino - April 24, 2015 at 12:34 PM

WP

“ *Ana and Family,*

May God bless and give you and your family strength and comfort following the passing of your beloved mother, Lizzette. Please accept our sincere condolences, but also some comfort in knowing that she has crossed over to a joyful, pain-free, and everlasting life and that you all will be together again someday at time of God's choosing. We are praying for you all.

Sincerely,

*Doug Park & Family
Hurricane, WV*



William D. Park - April 24, 2015 at 07:23 AM

JA

“ *The entire Albert family shares your sorrow with the passing of your mom. She was one of those wonderful people who always made you feel better when you stopped to chat with her. She is no doubt brightening up the brightest place as she is reunited with our Lord and her loved ones who left this life before her. I pray for your comfort at this time, that you may rejoice at her victory in passing to a better place, and for you to enjoy the happy memories of such an angel as your mom. May God's blessings continue to be with the whole Torres family.*

Jamie Albert - April 24, 2015 at 07:15 AM

GL

“ I lit a candle in honor of my friend-sister Liza, remembering all the bright and sunny moments we shared since we were five years old. Ill remember you always, together with Jimna, Don Home and Homerito. Gladicita, Ponce, Pr

gladysvidal - April 23, 2015 at 05:09 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Lizzette Maria Torres.



April 23, 2015 at 05:04 PM

GL

“ Gladysvidal lit a candle in memory of Lizzette Maria Torres



gladysvidal - April 23, 2015 at 05:04 PM

CI

“ Casandra Torres Ithier sent a virtual gift in memory of Lizzette Maria Torres



Casandra Torres Ithier - April 23, 2015 at 04:48 PM

RF

“ *Lizzette will always live in our hearts. She was part of our lives since we moved to West Virginia from Ponce, Puerto Rico. Our children and her children shared those first experiences in "Wonderful West Virginia." The Torres family together with other families from Ponce helped us to adapt to this new facet of our lives. She was a loving, caring friend ready to help at any time. It was very inspiring to see how she loved and cared for her students. She was the best example of a loving mother and grandmother. Lizzette will be missed but we have comfort in knowing that she is with The Lord. Our deepest condolences to her children and family.*

Con amor, Familia Vega: Rigo, Camen, Madelene & Alex

Rigo Vega & Family - April 23, 2015 at 11:01 AM

CC

“ *Cheryl Casdorph lit a candle in memory of Lizzette Maria Torres*



Cheryl Casdorph - April 23, 2015 at 07:37 AM



“ *A New Sunrise Spray was purchased for the family of Lizzette Maria Torres.*



April 23, 2015 at 07:24 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lizzette Maria Torres.*



April 23, 2015 at 07:04 AM



“ *My deepest condolences to her sister Jimna, her children and the rest of the family. Mrs. Tarrats was my 10th grade History teacher and Homeroom teacher as well. Her sense of humor, her zest for life, her smile, her sensibility and love for her students, made of her the most beloved teacher at my school, which was also her Alma Mater, Liceo Ponceño. She will certainly be missed...she was very far from her beloved Puerto Rico, but her memories and human quality never left our hearts...and never will.*



Helga Rodriguez Biaggi - April 22, 2015 at 11:10 PM



“ *Senora Torres was a wonderful teacher. I dreaded Spanish class when I first learned that I had to take it, but she made the class worth it. She has always been one of my favorite teachers and I often look back and wish I had paid more attention in my 2 years of her class. I cant remember a time when she didnt have a smile on her face. Sending prayers and healing thoughts to her family in their time of sorrow. Senora Torres will be greatly missed.*



Rebecca - April 22, 2015 at 11:02 PM

SN

“ We have chose to light a "Rose" candle in Lizzette's honor because no one could forget the sweet, lingering, beautiful scent of a rose - just as this beautiful woman will never be forgotten...
With ever so much love,
Steve & Starr Nicholas



Starr Nicholas - April 22, 2015 at 10:45 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Lizzette Maria Torres.



April 22, 2015 at 09:54 PM

AT

“ Adela Torres lit a candle in memory of Lizzette Maria Torres



adela torres - April 22, 2015 at 09:32 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lizzette Maria Torres.



April 22, 2015 at 08:54 PM

NJ

“ *The obituary is magnificent and her life effected many that will go on to effect others . As I said in another message , when I came to visit many years ago Lizzette made a salad from green beans , tomatoes ,green onions and lime juice , it was delicious and so simple . I still make that salad,have served it to many who also enjoy it and always give credit to her for learning to make it . My prayers continue to go out for you because grieving is a process and doesn't end with the funeral . My love ! Your aunt and sister -Nonie*

Norma Jurado - April 22, 2015 at 08:41 PM

AB

“ *Amarilys Bello lit a candle in memory of Lizzette Maria Torres*



Amarilys Bello - April 22, 2015 at 08:35 PM

OK

“ *Odalie S. Kelley lit a candle in memory of Lizzette Maria Torres*



Odalie S. Kelley - April 22, 2015 at 08:27 PM

BH

“ I enjoyed working with this wonderful lady many years ago. She always shared her smile and kind heart with her students and coworkers. My prayers for her family in this time of loss.



Beth (Peggs) Hill - April 22, 2015 at 08:21 PM

AV

“ Alex Vega purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of Lizzette Maria Torres.



Alex Vega - April 22, 2015 at 08:03 PM

CG

“ Caroll Gautier lit a candle in memory of Lizzette Maria Torres



Caroll Gautier - April 22, 2015 at 07:55 PM

SN

“ I will never forget, and will always treasure how, when I married Ashley 's father 6 years ago, Lizzette was so warm and friendly and instantly made me feel like a welcomed part of the family. She is a precious soul and one that I know Jesus did not want to wait another minute to welcome home to His family. You are so loved by so many. RIP my beautiful friend.

Starr Nicholas - April 22, 2015 at 07:22 PM

AC

“ I remember meeting her Summer 2005 at a Foreign Language (Spanish) teacher workshop along with her daughter Ana. I was intrigued by her ideas and willingness to share. She also gave motherly advice as I was pregnant with my first daughter. She was so fun to talk with always making humor. We shared ideas and exchanged materials we used in our classrooms. I also had the pleasure of having Alex (her grandson) in class. My daughters have enjoyed play dates with Isabel (her granddaughter). I have had countless zumba and exercise regimes with Ashley (her daughter in law). Ashley and I both coached our daughters in soccer one season as well. Adolfo (her son) is a fine gentleman always friendly and willing to help! Lizette leaves behind a legacy. A beautiful family!

Andrea (Atkins) Cunningham - April 22, 2015 at 06:39 PM

LO

“ My condolences to Jimna and the rest of the family. RIP. Luciris from Ponce, Puerto Rico.

Luciris Ortiz - April 22, 2015 at 06:34 PM

AC

“ Anadelle Cruz purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Lizzette Maria Torres.



Anadelle Cruz - April 22, 2015 at 06:07 PM

MG

“ *Maria Garcia lit a candle in memory of Lizzette Maria Torres*



maria garcia - April 22, 2015 at 06:00 PM

AF

“ *Addie Elaine and Family purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of Lizzette Maria Torres.*



Addie Elaine and Family - April 22, 2015 at 05:47 PM

HS

“ *Hector and Vivian Santiago purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Lizzette Maria Torres.*



Hector and Vivian Santiago - April 22, 2015 at 05:41 PM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. She was a wonderful woman. I will keep you all in my thoughts.*

Michelle Walker



Michelle Walker - April 22, 2015 at 04:58 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Lizzette Maria Torres.*



April 22, 2015 at 04:32 PM



“ *THANK YOU for allowing me to be a part of the family. You're loved and will be missed.*

Anthony and Layla Lewis

Anthony Lewis - April 22, 2015 at 03:19 PM



“ *Prayers to all of the Torres family. All that knew Ms. Torres loved and adored her.*

The Machado's

Farrah Machado - April 22, 2015 at 02:14 PM