



## Ester Dasalla Puntanilla

July 4, 1932 - December 15, 2017

Ester Dasalla Puntanilla July 4, 1932 - Dec 15, 2017 Former resident of San Jose, CA Ester passed away, into the hands of Our Lord, on December 15 at Washington Hospital in Fremont, CA surrounded by family. She was born in the barrio of Nagsayaoan, town of Santa Maria, in the province of Ilocos Sur, Philippines, the youngest of 6 children of Juan and Julia Dasalla. Her parents were farmers, growing rice, corn, peanuts and sugar cane. Ester met her husband, Jose (Pepe) Puntanilla while still in high school and they were married in June, 1949. They remained happily married for 38 years until Pepe's death in June, 1987. Ester was a true serial entrepreneur, spending much of her life starting and running a variety of different businesses, mostly in the town of Santa Maria. Over the years, she owned and/or operated a gas station, funeral home, sound system rental service, restaurant, piggery and poultry farm, ice cream cart, beauty salon and dress making shop. She was also an accomplished seamstress, making many of her daughters' wedding gowns and bridesmaid dresses. After moving to San Jose in 1979, she worked at AMD in Silicon Valley, in a chip fabrication plant. She attended St Paul UMC in Fremont and was an active member of the Santa Marians Ilocos Sur Association. Ester enjoyed cooking, gardening and was an avid Golden State Warriors fan later in life. Above all, Ester loved to be with her family, spending hours each day talking to her sister, Marina, on the phone and attending all of the children, grandchildren and great grandchildren's myriad events including graduations, weddings, sporting events, concerts and school

activities. She loved to cook and bring the family together over meals. She was extremely generous, some would say to a fault, and never ignored those in need, whether they be family or friend. She is survived by 3 sisters, Librada Cabaltera, Anna Dasalla and Marina Estoesta; 7 children, Victoria Brillantes, Demelza Aquisap, Horatius Puntanilla, Melissa Florendo, Minerva Kalinawan, Ephie Callan and Valentino Puntanilla; 22 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband Jose (Pepe), siblings Sammy Dasalla, Oling Dasalla, Auria Cabunoc, Magnu Dasalla, Leopoldo Dasalla and children Ephriam Puntanilla and Elleo Puntanilla. Viewing services will be held at Lincoln Glen Church, 2700 Booksin Ave, San Jose CA on Thursday, Dec 28 from 1-8pm and Friday, Dec 29 from 2-8pm. A memorial service will be held at the same location on Saturday, Dec 30 at 9:30 am followed by a procession and burial at her final resting place of Cedar Lawn Memorial Park, (Lima Family Mortuary,) 48800 Warm Springs Boulevard, Fremont CA. In lieu of flowers, the family would like to request a donation be made to the Ester Puntanilla Nagsayaoan Education Memorial. Mom cared very much for the children of Nagsayaoan, Santa Maria, PI and sponsored a number of scholarships for children who would otherwise not be able to go to school. As a tribute to her, we will continue this through the memorial fund. Thank you for your contributions!

Vigil  
Lincoln Glen Church  
2700 Booksin Avenue  
San Jose, CA 95125  
Thursday, December 28, 2017 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM  
Church Service  
Lincoln Glen Church  
2700 Booksin Avenue  
San Jose, CA 95125  
Thursday, December 28, 2017 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM  
Funeral Service  
Lincoln Glen Church  
2700 Booksin Avenue  
San Jose, CA 95125  
Saturday, December 30, 2017 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM  
Burial  
Cedar Lawn Cemetery  
48800 Warm Springs Blvd  
Fremont, CA 94539  
Saturday, December 30, 2017 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM

# Tribute Wall

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“ Sending my warm thoughts and prayers to Ester's family and friends at this sad time. Wishing you all God's comfort, hope, and peace. We share in your grief and sorrow. May you all treasure the memories and the good times with her in the constant faithful hope that you will see her again one sweet day. +Fr. Allen Martinez.

Fr. Allen Martinez - April 12, 2022 at 08:59 PM

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“ To the immediate family and relatives of Nana Ester. Losing a loved one clearly leaves a void in our hearts. The grief and sorrow will forever with you, reminisce and treasure all the good deeds she did for the family. I have had such dealings with her through my mom and her siblings and I can truly attest her pure love, true friendship, and kindness. Nana Ester you will be missed by many. You rest well and dwell with God and your loved ones up in Paradise. Paalam Po!

RICHARD DATO - April 12, 2022 at 08:59 PM

RV

“ I will forever miss you grandma

Rochelle Brillantes- Villanueva - April 12, 2022 at 08:59 PM

RA

“ Lola - you will be forever in our hearts; sorry we missed your wake. We will miss your Dinardaraan. May you rest in peace. Always guide us especially Francine and Fredric and give Lolo our hugs and kisses. Rai

Rai - April 12, 2022 at 08:59 PM

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“ *Lola, you will remain in my heart forever and my love will seal it for eternity. Please tell Nanang Oling for me that I miss her so much. Until we meet again lola! a💎💎i💎💎*

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**Novy-Greta** - April 12, 2022 at 08:59 PM