



## Mary Lou Subia

November 22, 1937 - April 11, 2019

### Obituary

Courageous, steadfast, and hopeful...these are but a few adjectives that immediately come to mind when describing my mother, Mary Lou Subia as she ventured out of West Texas 5 plus decades ago. The youngest daughter of Sebastian and Maria Juarez. A native of Alpine, Texas. Sister to Esperanza, Chuy, & Jose. She gifted to this world Manuel Jr, Armando, Arturo, Melba Ann, Jimmy Lee, Armida, Adrian, and Adam. Sixteen grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren were added to the brood to her beaming heart. We also remember lovingly the loss of Armida in 2008, and our father in early 2019.

This young mother along with her doting husband, Manuel Subia, gathered up the kids one cool fall day in 1964 and headed out west for a new life. That 1400 mile journey didn't have its final stop until they reached the Valley of Your Heart's Delight, San Jose, CA. This aspiring young couple and their 8 children planted firm roots in this rich valley full of cherry, peach, and plum orchards.

Caring, resourceful, and patient...Mom was all of this and much more. I could come to Mom to chat or ask her opinion, and she never said I don't have time or come back later. Each one of my siblings could tell you that Mom was their best friend including I.

When Mom wasn't cleaning house, shopping, or at the beauty salon on a Saturday afternoon, she was inside the kitchen making one of her special meals. I am of the generation that got to sit down with all the family and have Sunday dinner. Mom expected us to be home on Sunday to break bread with her and dad. Those Sunday gatherings can never be replicated. As we got older, the home cooked Sunday dinners faded away, but Mom would still look forward to a dinner out with any one of us.

Ask each one of my siblings who their greatest fan was, and they will tell you it was mom. All my siblings but I were avid athletes. Mom made it a point to support each one of them as best as she could whether it be at basketball, football, soccer, or baseball games. Our mom was the most loyal soccer mom that you'd ever want to know.

My hero and confidant. Although I lived out of town, we spoke daily for the two plus decades since I have been gone from home. If I could do it all over again, I would change not a thing. The mother that never said no, and who always loved you with all her heart.

We musn't say goodbye or never again, but say until we meet again in the baby blue sky of our dreams.

We will always miss you, Mom

We love you.

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Rest in peace, Mom.Adam*

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**Adam J Subia** - April 22, 2019 at 09:58 AM

ES

“ *A SPATHIPHYLLUM was ordered on April 21, 2019*

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**Expression of Sympathy** - April 21, 2019 at 05:45 PM

ES

“ *A BASKET GARDEN was sent on April 18, 2019Miss you dearly,  
Mom*

*Love, Adam*

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**Expression of Sympathy** - April 18, 2019 at 07:03 PM

MA

“ As the oldest of 8 I am probably the only one that actually remembers our upbringings in Texas and what my mom was to our clan. From the one room shack we lived at first to a real 3 bedroom home. She kept our family clothed and fed, even if it was beans, potatoes, rice and chorizo. It really didn't matter because we knew she made sure we were fed. I was the only one that had a chance to play sports before we left for California. My mom scraped up enough money to buy me my first pair of baseball shoes and glove. They were from a second hand store but, that didn't matter to me. She would take all my brothers and sisters to all my games, they never missed one game. She would always make sure we took lunch when we were in school. She made our life feel like we were rich. I loved how she loved all of us kids the same, not one more than the other. To this day, I don't know if she knew we were about to be uprooted and moved to California. Me being the oldest never had a clue. So, one cold October night they piled us into a station wagon and off we went. I could go on and on but, I do want to say that my mother was best mom you could ever want. I love you MOM and knowing you are home with dad and our sister Millie I am at peace..

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**Manny** - April 18, 2019 at 06:44 PM

MH

“ Rest in peace mom love you 🙏❤️ forever

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**Melba Hernandez** - April 16, 2019 at 10:29 AM

MH

“ Mom there's no words to say to you how much I love you my heart ache for you Hope you are dancing in heaven with pops your now my angel I love you

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**Melba Hernandez** - April 14, 2019 at 05:29 PM

SB

“ *May Mary Lou rest in peace and rise in glory with all the saints*

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**Stephen Bartlett-Ré** - April 14, 2019 at 05:25 PM