



## Ileana Villafane

November 30, 1958 - August 15, 2024

Ileana Villafane (65) passed peacefully, August 15th, 2024, surrounded by family in her longtime home of Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania. She was born November 30, 1958, to her parents, Jorge Villafane, and Carmen Munoz in Caguas, Puerto Rico. She earned her bachelor's degree in business administration, then moved to Pennsylvania in 1981 and married Luis A. Rivera on November 12th, 1987.

Ileana was a beacon of strength, love, and selflessness that permeated those who loved and knew her. Her genuine nature and eagerness to connect with people meant she was never shy to let others into her life, often adopting the friends of her children as her own 'adopted children'. Ileana's spirit shone brightest when helping others in need and providing guidance to those who had lost their way. Her unwavering determination to be there for her family never faltered, even in the face of her years-long battle with cancer. She became an English teacher at the Hispanic Center and participated in the church community at St. Francis for many years to come. Her voice in the choir was unmistakable within the community and was characteristic of her passion to guide others. Ileana's career culminated as an administrator for the Methodist Home for Children in Mechanicsburg. There, she combined her knowledge of finance and business, with her passion for caring for others in need. Ileana cherished time with family and friends. She yearned to travel and sightsee, having been to many parts of the U.S. and Puerto Rico. She loved to

learn and implement new ideas into her cooking. She enjoyed parties and events, connecting with people and having a good time. She liked to listen to music and dance, and last but definitely not least, she loved to go shopping, often interested in clothes, furniture, and presents for those she loved and loved to help. Ileana's memory will be held dear and kept alive by her husband Luis, and their children: Jahriel, Ileana, and Jorge, as well as her many family and friends.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Evelyn Arce purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Ileana Villafane.



Evelyn Arce - September 25, 2024 at 07:52 PM

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Ileana era muy alegre, le gustaba cocinar, bailar salsa, ayudar y no dejarse ayudar, oh y era bien dulcera. Siempre enviaba tarjetas de Navidad, cumpleaños y en el día de las madres.  
Querida Ileana, te queremos y volveremos a bailar y contagiarnos de tu pavera en el reencuentro celestial. Descansa en Paz. 🙏

Carol Lebron - September 04, 2024 at 07:10 PM

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