



Elena Rosa Torres

August 30, 1929 - February 7, 2026

Elena Torres, lovingly known as Abuela, was born on August 30, 1929, in Havana, Cuba, and passed away on February 7, 2026, in Fort Myers, Florida. Strong-willed and generous, Elena lived a life defined by devotion to her family and quiet determination. She emigrated from Cuba to give her daughter and family a better life, a goal she achieved through years of hard work and sacrifice. Throughout her life, she was a skilled seamstress, an elementary school cafeteria manager, and later a high school bookstore manager. A dedicated wife to her late husband, Luis Torres, and a loving mother to Maria Ewanchew, Elena also helped raise her granddaughter, Janine, playing an essential role in shaping the woman she became.

Elena expressed her love through caring for others, especially by cooking for family and friends. She was famous for her ropa vieja, arroz con pollo, and the best sloppy joes anyone had ever tasted. She loved animals and faithfully cared for the family pets. She carried a spirit of adventure that took her traveling to Europe, Egypt, Mexico, much of the Caribbean, and on road trips across the United States with her grandchildren. She is survived by her daughter Maria Ewanchew, son-in-law Antonio Lago, granddaughter Janine McAdams, grandson Ryan Ewanchew, and great-grandson Andres Lago. Elena will be remembered for her generosity, her strength, and the love she poured into her family through every meal, every sacrifice, and every memory shared.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **16**. 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Boyd-Pancier Funeral Home
1600 N University Drive
Pembroke Pines, FL 33024

burial

FEB **16**. 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

Vista Memorial Gardens
14200 NW 57th Ave
Miami Lakes, FL 33014

Tribute Wall



“ *Maria Ewanchew and Duane Stacko purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Elena Rosa Torres.* ”



Maria Ewanchew and Duane Stacko - February 13 at 03:28 PM



“ *Your Humana PCAR team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Elena Rosa Torres.* ”

Your Humana PCAR team - February 11 at 10:01 AM



“ *Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Elena Rosa Torres.* ”



February 11 at 10:01 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Elena Rosa Torres.* ”



February 10 at 02:07 PM