

*In Loving Memory of*  
***Raquel "Rachel" N. Landavazo***

**1958 - 2023**



Raquel "Rachel" Noemi Landavazo, 65, of Topeka, KS went home to be with the Lord on Saturday, May 6, 2023. She was born January 12, 1958 in Apple Valley, California, the daughter of Nemesio "Jesse" and Guadalupe "Lupe" (Rocha) Varela. She graduated from Barstow High School in 1976 and later attended courses at Barstow Community College. Rachel married her childhood sweetheart Armond Landavazo on May 13, 1978. Their family grew over the years as they welcomed three boys, James, Adam, and Matthew. Rachel and her family moved to Topeka, Kansas in the winter of 1989 when the children were little. She enjoyed her time as a mother at home with her kids and in her spare time volunteered within the Shawnee Heights Unified School District and served God through church ministries.

As her boys grew older and went to college, Rachel pursued employment outside the home. She worked for Protection One, Westar Energy, and Evergy.

Her faith was important to her and she dedicated time each day to reading her daily devotions. She was an active member of Topeka Bible Church from the time her family moved to Kansas in 1989. Through the years she was involved in many church activities that included serving as a greeter, assisting the mission ministries, and participating in the Christian Women's Club and the Koinonia Class.

Rachel's children and grandchildren were her pride and joy. She loved spending time with them and watching them grow and participate in various school and athletic activities. Rachel and Armond enjoyed traveling,

supporting the Los Angeles Dodgers baseball team, and attending Chicago concerts and theater shows. She never missed the opportunity to visit Disneyland when they were visiting family in California and she loved crossword puzzles. Her uplifting and supporting nature will be missed by many.

Rachel leaves behind her husband, Armond Landavazo; her three sons: James (Dana) Landavazo, Adam (Tori) Landavazo and Matthew (Jamin) Landavazo; her adored grandchildren, Nolan, Elaina, Theo, Porter, Sadie, Jonathan and Andrew; mother, Lupe Varela; brother, Paul (Cheryln) Varela, sister Maria (Tony) Olivas and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her father, Jessie Varela and her sister, Elisabet Petty.

A celebration of life will be held from 1:00pm to 3:00pm on Saturday, June 24, 2023 at the Mount Hope Funeral Chapel, 4700 SW 17th Street, Topeka, Kansas 66604. A time to share memories will be held at 2:00pm. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society to benefit lung cancer research, PO Box 171335, Kansas City, KS 66117 or to Topeka Bible Church 1101 SW Mulvane, Topeka, KS 66604. The family requests that if you wish to send flowers that you please send them for the service. To leave a message for the family, please click the "Share Memories" button above.

## Services & Gatherings

Visitation:

Saturday, June 24, 2023 from 1:00pm to 3:00pm

Mount Hope Cemetery & Funeral Chapel

4700 SW 17th

Topeka, KS 66604

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