



## Imelda Gonzalez Zamora

January 6, 1934 - December 23, 2025

Zamora, Imelda Gonzalez, December 23, 2025 age 91 of Rochester Hills.

Beloved wife of the late Juanito.

Loving mother of Jonathan J. (Christa) Zamora and Ian Zamora. Cherished grandmother of Jacquelyn (Diego Suazo) Zamora, Isla, Jacob, Madelyn and Isabella.

Visitation Sunday, December 28th 1-6 PM at Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 980 North Newburgh Road, (between Ford Road and Cherry Hill) Westland. Scripture Service will be Sunday, December 28th 5 PM at the funeral home. In state Monday, December 29th 10:30 AM until the 11 AM Funeral Mass at St. Mary Cause of Our Joy Catholic Church, 8200 North Wayne Road, Westland, MI 48185. To share a memory, please use the Share a Memory on this webpage

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 28. 1:00 AM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home Westland  
980 North Newburgh Road  
Westland, MI 48185  
(734) 326-1300  
westland@vermeulenfh.com

## Scripture Service

DEC 28. 5:00 PM - 5:30 PM (ET)

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980 North Newburgh Road  
Westland, MI 48185  
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## In state

DEC 29. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary Cause of Our Joy Catholic Church  
8200 North Wayne Road  
Westland, MI 48185

## Mass

DEC **29**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Mary Cause of Our Joy Catholic Church  
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Westland, MI 48185

# Tribute Wall

GF

“ I will miss you so much, Tita Mey. Mom and I will miss our weekly group texts more than I can express. You truly lived up to being the #1 Godmother—always present, always loving. There are no words to describe the emptiness you have left in my heart. You were always there for me throughout the years, only a phone call away, and more recently, just a text away.

*You were such a wise and loving advisor, and I am so thankful for all the advice you shared with me. I can still remember calling you as a teenager, upset about a boyfriend dilemma, and you gently helping me see things more clearly. You listened without judgment and guided me with so much patience and love.*

*The Madonna portrait you gifted me, along with the self-portrait you made of me when I was five years old, are treasures I will hold close forever. They remind me of your deep Catholic faith, your love of family, and your unwavering trust in God's plan. I will always cherish our trip to San Diego and the joy of being together at Jay and Krista's wedding.*

*Thank you for loving me so well, Tita Mey. You will always be with me.*

*Gema*

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithfully departed through the Mercy of God, Rest in Peace. Amen.*



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Gema Fain - January 04 at 07:41 AM

PD

“ Thinking of you and your family.  
May your mom's memory be a blessing.  
Pieter & Carla Dunselman

Pieter Dunselman - December 28, 2025 at 02:47 PM

FT

“ Dear Jay, Christa and family,  
There's a hole left behind when we lose our very dearest. It seems unimaginable to cope. But that hole is not dark, devoid of light or empty, it is meant to be filled (to the brim) with wonderful blissful memories - the joys, laughter, warmth, comfort and especially LOVE. Foremost Love, endless and forever. Our most deepest condolences 🙏  
Love,  
Fides, Said and Christina

Fides Tehrani - December 28, 2025 at 09:56 AM

KF

“ Kevin& Mia Carswell and family purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Imelda Gonzalez Zamora.



Kevin& Mia Carswell and family - December 27, 2025 at 08:41 PM

“ My memory snippets of Tita May are mainly from our early Avenida days with Lolo, visits from the states, and a few family get-togethers in US through these past decades. Here’s some-

*As a child I always remember how she was so wonderful, with us kids. She has a way of making us feel special. I especially remember my 7th birthday when Tita May made sure the spotlight was on me throughout the party. She was the cool and favorite aunt who bought you toys you actually wanted and not boring underwear or socks.*

*When I was a child in Avenida, I remember she sewed fashionable clothes that she designed herself. She always made sketch designs of pretty women in chic dresses. As a small child, I thought she was drawing really bad weird cartoons. To quiet the obnoxious critic, she would sometimes draw dogs or cats for me.*

*From observing her interactions with her son Jay as a toddler you can apparently see the loving mother that she was.*

*During my weekend visit to Michigan back when I was stationed in Illinois, Tita May, Jay and I went to a department store. Jay is the youngest “sneaker head” I know, and at 4 years old, was going on and on about wanting “Traxx”, a sneaker popular with small boys. I think we went to 3 stores when we finally found a pair. When we did, Tita thoroughly inspected the shoe padding and had Jay run in them to make sure they did not hurt his little feet. Smiles all around. Once Jay was grumpy before a trip and Tita sat him on her lap. She gently reminded him that she was Princess Lea and they had an adventure to go to. Making kids smile was one of Tita May’s super powers.*

*I also remember she would sew cool 70’s patches like smiley’s and rainbows on Jay’s jeans. He was always dressed cool and hip. Some mothers dress their kids like casts from Oliver Twist but Tita May always dressed Jay like a midget Mr GQ. I remember toddler*

*pictures of Jay in blazers reminding of a mini 70's game show host or Remaxx real estate agent.*

*She was always proud of Jay. She once proudly wrote to us that one of Jay's first words was "car". Before Jay could even walk, he would point at the window and say 'car' when he wanted to go somewhere for a ride. Tita May would also occasionally send us Jay's little league pictures posing like the Detroit Tiger's next slugger. She was equally proud of Ian and sent us cassette recordings of Ian singing the alphabet and nursery rhymes.*

*I remember on one of her visits from the US she brought me an early model calculator. Calculators were quite a novelty back in the early 70's and I became the popular nerd calculator debutante at my school. Again, Tita May, the conjurer of coolness.*

*In the early 80's I recall she was a great admirer of Princess Diana. I was living in England at the time of the royal wedding and she asked me to send her special edition commemorable stamps of Princess Diana (No later request for Camilla stamps). Occasioanlly, I would send her pictures from England. Once, she sent me a reply letter telling me how handsome I looked in the pictures and that I remind her of Tito Liel. Lifetime favorite aunt after that. Fast forward upgrade to 2025, on my recent Michigan thanksgiving visit she tells me that I now remind her of our great grandfather Lolo Basilio. I skipped 2 generations in looks but knowing Tita May I'm sure there's a compliment there somewhere. During my Michigan visit in the 70's she was teaching Jay about colors and teased that his cousin Eric has many girlfriends each with different hair colors; blonde, black, red etc. Not true and for educational purposes only but thank you Tita May for propping me up as an imaginary stud in front of 4 year old Jay.*

*Her kindness and thoughtfulness are always remembered. She recently sent me a copy of the classic book "All Quiet on the Western Front" and reminded me that the author, Erich Maria Remarque, was my namesake. Who remembers after all these*

*years and does these wonderful gestures?*

*She was also very smart and very engaging. After my father's memorial she gave me a "Ted Talk" type lecture on electrolytes and the business development of Gatorade. She is well read and we always had interesting conversations.*

*When my daughter Emma was born, Tita May knitted her a beautiful blanket. It was pink and white. This is one of Emma's treasured items she will keep forever and pass on. In some ways, the gifted knitted blanket was very much like Tita May. Warm, special, cozy, comforting and you want to keep close to your heart always.*

*Rest in peace Tita May. I will always remember you fondly.*

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**Eric Donato** - December 27, 2025 at 08:08 PM

SF

“ Suazo De la Rosa Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Imelda Gonzalez Zamora.



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**Suazo De la Rosa Family** - December 27, 2025 at 12:47 PM

SF

“ Suazo De la Rosa Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Imelda Gonzalez Zamora.

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**Suazo De la Rosa Family** - December 27, 2025 at 12:47 PM

JR

“ Joe and Christina del Rosario planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Imelda Gonzalez Zamora.

Joe and Christina del Rosario - December 27, 2025 at 12:44 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Imelda Gonzalez Zamora.



December 27, 2025 at 10:20 AM

FE

“ From Eric, Atsuko, and Emma purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Imelda Gonzalez Zamora.



From Eric, Atsuko, and Emma - December 27, 2025 at 10:12 AM

FE

“ From Eric, Atsuko, and Emma planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Imelda Gonzalez Zamora.

From Eric, Atsuko, and Emma - December 27, 2025 at 10:12 AM

TF

“ *The Kaber Family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Imelda Gonzalez Zamora.*



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**The Kaber Family** - December 27, 2025 at 04:50 AM

LK

“ *Love, Gus Luz Jr; Lina,Chris, Kristine purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Imelda Gonzalez Zamora.*



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**Love, Gus Luz Jr; Lina,Chris, Kristine** - December 27, 2025 at 12:45 AM

GL

“ *Gus L. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Imelda Gonzalez Zamora.*

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**Gus L.** - December 27, 2025 at 12:32 AM

DK

“ *Dave, Kate, and Maddie Kaber planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Imelda Gonzalez Zamora.*

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**Dave, Kate, and Maddie Kaber** - December 26, 2025 at 09:31 PM

DK

“ Dave, Kate, and Maddie Kaber purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Imelda Gonzalez Zamora.



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**Dave, Kate, and Maddie Kaber** - December 26, 2025 at 09:31 PM

MF

“ Mike, Kelly, Nathan & Allie French purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Imelda Gonzalez Zamora.



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**Mike, Kelly, Nathan & Allie French** - December 26, 2025 at 05:47 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Imelda Gonzalez Zamora.



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December 26, 2025 at 04:56 PM

FC

“ Fides, Said and Christina purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Imelda Gonzalez Zamora.



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**Fides, Said and Christina** - December 26, 2025 at 03:10 PM

ML

“ Marivi, Jimmy, Evan and Aeron Latham purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Imelda Gonzalez Zamora.



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**Marivi, Jimmy, Evan and Aeron Latham** - December 26, 2025  
at 02:23 PM

JM

“ Jeff M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Imelda Gonzalez Zamora.

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**Jeff M.** - December 26, 2025 at 01:59 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Imelda Gonzalez Zamora.



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December 26, 2025 at 01:59 PM

AL

“ Aniel Gonzalez Luz planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Imelda Gonzalez Zamora.

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**Aniel Gonzalez Luz** - December 26, 2025 at 01:51 PM

AL

“ *Aniel Gonzalez Luz purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Imelda Gonzalez Zamora.*



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**Aniel Gonzalez Luz** - December 26, 2025 at 01:51 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Imelda Gonzalez Zamora.*



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December 26, 2025 at 01:50 PM