



## Zenaida F. Simpao

September 3, 1939 - September 1, 2019

Zenaida F. Simpao passed away on Sunday, September 1, 2019 at her home surrounded by family and friends, after a courageous fight with cancer and kidney disease. She was known as a kind and gentle woman with a fierce and independent spirit. After Zenaida immigrated and settled in the United States with her husband and children in 1987, she traveled extensively and resided in Maryland, Virginia, and California. She enjoyed spontaneously going to “pasyal”, which means to go sightseeing and doing short road trips. Zenaida loved to try new restaurants and saved advertisement clippings of restaurants in order to have ideas of where to eat next. She is currently in heaven with her husband and son, enjoying a can of Coke and a bowl of rice with dried fish and lechon kawali.

In addition to being a foodie, Zenaida was known to be hospitable and loved to cook for her family and guests. Some of her most well-known dishes include adobo sa patis, beef stew (menudo), sinigang, BBQ pork chop, and Filipino spaghetti. When she was not cooking, she loved getting comfortable with a tub of popcorn and watching action or comedy films and Filipino teleseryes. Some of her favorite movies include Rush Hour, The Expendables, Lord of the Rings, or anything that she could watch with her grandchildren that was wholesome and did not have any “kissy kissy” scenes.

Zenaida is the beloved wife of the late Jose Carlos D. Simpao, the love of her

life whom she was married to for 54 years. She was the loving mother of Joselito Simpao (Jane) of Manila, Philippines, Federico Simpao (Cynthia) of Manila, Philippines, Benjamin Simpao (deceased), Joey Simpao (Beth) of Ft. Washington, Maryland, Bernadette Dava (Raymond) of San Jose, California, Carlo Simpao and Johanna Meyer (Jeff) of Springfield, Virginia. She is also survived by eight wonderful grandchildren; Erik, Jeffrey, Patrick, Christopher, Kristen, Kelsey, Kasie, and Tyler, three great grandchildren; Cassie, Isabella, and Eli Sebastian.

A Memorial Mass will be held at St. Lawrence Catholic Church, 6222 Franconia Rd., Alexandria, VA on Saturday, September 14, 2019 at 1130 AM. The interment will be held on the same day at 1 pm at Mount Comfort Cemetery, 6600 S Kings Highway, Alexandria, VA 22306.

# Previous Events

## Service

SEP **14.** 11:30 AM (ET)

St. Lawrence Catholic Church  
6222 Franconia Road  
Alexandria, VA 22310-2511  
<https://stlawrencealex.org/>

## Graveside Service

SEP **14.** 1:00 PM (ET)

Mt. Comfort Cemetery  
6600 South Kings Highway  
Alexandria, VA 22306

# Tribute Wall



“ *Zenaida F. Simpao*

October 27, 2022 at 09:45 PM



“ *Morris Glen-Margaret & Nick purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Zenaida F. Simpao.*



**Morris Glen-Margaret & Nick** - September 13, 2019 at 11:16 AM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Zenaida F. Simpao.*



September 12, 2019 at 06:09 PM



“ *Greg LaVecchia and family purchased the Heavenly Heights Bouquet for the family of Zenaida F. Simpao.*



**Greg LaVecchia and family** - September 12, 2019 at 11:31 AM

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“ *Angelika Hegedusova lit a candle in memory of Zenaida F. Simpao*



Angelika Hegedusova - September 12, 2019 at 11:31 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Zenaida F. Simpao.*



September 12, 2019 at 12:39 AM

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“ *Selam and Janice purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Zenaida F. Simpao.*



Selam and Janice - September 11, 2019 at 10:39 AM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Zenaida F. Simpao.*



September 10, 2019 at 04:16 PM

CA

“ 10 files added to the album *Beautiful Days*



Carlo - September 09, 2019 at 02:33 PM

NI

*She was one of my best resident I love me some Miss Simpiao & I will miss u love u. Rest in peace*

Nick - September 13, 2019 at 08:47 AM

JO

“ *The world seemed to turn darker as your light faded.*

*While thinking about you . I noticed that , the heavens seem brighter. For another star shines bright in contrast to the dark sky.*

*I know you're up there.*

*Your legacy lives on. Our love for you is forever.*

*Rest In Peace Mom.*

joey - September 08, 2019 at 07:44 AM

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“ Love you so much mom! I miss you more than words can explain. I hope you are having fun with your homecoming reunion with Dad and Ben. ❤️❤️❤️



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Anna - September 07, 2019 at 06:16 PM



“ Rose Garden Heart was purchased for the family of Zenaida F. Simpao.



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September 07, 2019 at 03:42 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Zenaida F. Simpao.



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September 05, 2019 at 12:52 PM



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Zenaida F. Simpao.



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September 04, 2019 at 10:39 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Zenaida F. Simpao.



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September 04, 2019 at 08:23 PM