



Ms. Debra Torres

May 21, 1959 - January 28, 2025

***A SERVICE IN LOVING MEMORY FOR MS. DEBRA TORRES WILL BE HELD SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2025, AT OUR FUNERAL HOME.

***NOTE: PLEASE SEE VISITATION, SERVICE TIME & LOCATION LISTED BELOW

***MASKS ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST. WE WILL PROVIDE HAND SANITIZER WHEN ENTERING OUR BUILDING.

***If you have any questions, please contact us at: (269) 342-1000

OBITUARY

Ms. Debra Torres began her journey on Tuesday, January 28, 2025 in Kalamazoo, Michigan, surrounded by her family. She was born May 21, 1959 the daughter Edward Shief, Sr. and Louise Shief in Chicago, IL. She attended Chicago Public Schools, and graduated from high school in Chicago. After high school, Debra went into the Army Reserve and served also as a nurse. After serving in the military, she went back to Chicago and started working at a local hospital. After having her son, Blair, she decided to become an at-home mom, tending to his care.

Debra enjoyed watching her favorites television, which included “Mash”, “Law Order”, “First 48 Hour”, and “Blue Bloods”. She also loved to watch movies

which included her favorite horror movies, “See No Evil” and “Scream” along with all of the Tyler Perry movies. She was a very caring, giving person, who could be blunt, but we understood it was all out of love. She enjoyed spoiling her grandchildren, who she loved so very much. She will be missed by all who knew and loved her.

She was preceded in death by her loving son, Blair; her mother and father, Louise and Edward Sr.; brothers, Larence and Edward Jr.; sisters, Louise, Delores, Barbara, Gloria and Mary.

She is survived by 5 children, Anthony, Antonia, Juanita, Josiah, and Miracle; 2 sisters, Shirley and Liz; 15 grandchildren: Trinity, Nevaeh, Marsae, Carmello, Kairi, Kaleb, Amir, Serinity, Kaylen, Zachariah, Louis III, Anastasia, Amor, Ignatius, and “a precious gift on-the-way”, Josiah Jr.; daughters-in-law, Christine and Hope; sons-in-law, Ahmad and Louis Jr., and a host of nieces and nephews.

Previous Events

Visitation For Family & Friends

FEB 15. 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home - Chapel
521 Douglas Avenue
Kalamazoo, MI

A Celebration of Life Gathering

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Tribute Wall



“ Harper Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ms. Debra Torres



Harper Funeral Home - February 13, 2025 at 10:57 PM



“ I will never forget the sisterly bond me, you and Mary had. Fly high sis love and miss you forever



Katherine Shief - February 21, 2025 at 05:15 PM



“ 2 files added to the album LifeTributes



Harper Funeral Home - February 15, 2025 at 11:30 AM

PM

“ Your mom came into my life when I needed a friend. During her job interview (which I don't even think was an interview) lol I knew there was something about her I liked so I hired her on the spot. And my judgment was right, we became friends pretty quickly. Then we became close friends. She was such a joy. Her personality was catchy, anyone that met her loved her. I was so lucky to have known your mom, but I was luckier that she considered me her friend. I will never forget her

patty millsap - February 15, 2025 at 12:02 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Ms. Debra Torres.



February 13, 2025 at 09:28 PM

BF

“ May the Lord give all her children, grandchildren and family the strength they need. We will forever keep you in our hearts.



Baez n Perez Family - February 13, 2025 at 09:16 PM



“ I'm hold on to all the good memories in the garage and on the front porch of HARVARD that 151 have story for days. sorry for yall lost sending hugs yall way

Jaliese Moore - February 12, 2025 at 03:07 PM

TR

“ *Sending love and light to the family! Ms. Debra was extremely loving and kind, she will be missed!*



Tami Rey - February 12, 2025 at 01:50 PM

CS

“ *Love you auntie* ❤️❤️❤️

Charles M Poree Sr - February 12, 2025 at 10:46 AM

CL

“ *To the family may she rest in peace so sorry for your loss.. May God give you strength to endure this pain. Love and prayers to you all...Beautiful soul...* 🙏❤️🙏

Charisse Laird - February 11, 2025 at 12:40 PM

LC

“ *Leslie R Cartwright lit a candle in memory of Debra Torres*



Leslie R Cartwright - February 11, 2025 at 12:34 AM

DF

“ Daniel Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Debra Torres



Daniel Family - February 10, 2025 at 03:46 PM

KS

“ sorry for your loss she was a nice person

Katherine Shief - February 09, 2025 at 05:27 AM

DH

“ My condolences to the family. Ms. Debra was kind and beautiful. She will be missed. May God provide comfort in the days ahead.

Darnice Haskell - February 01, 2025 at 08:55 PM