



Nellie M. Morgado

November 17, 1940 - June 30, 2019

On June 30, 2019 Mom passed away at home after a long battle with cancer. Mom's life and her struggle with cancer were full of courage, strength and a great sense of humor. To say that she was a feisty "Irishwoman" is an understatement.

She was born in Springfield, Missouri to Mamie and William Brayfield. Like her sister before her, Mom was born at home and named after the aunt/midwife that helped in the birth. The family moved to the Bay Area following the outbreak of WWII and her father worked as a welder at the Richmond Liberty Shipyard.

Mom married the love of her life John Morgado and graduated from El Cerrito High School in 1958. Mom was devoted to raising her kids. Whether it was homemade clothes, Halloween costumes, den mom for Boy and Girl Scouts, dance or team mom for sports, she always made sure that she was a part of her kids' activities. In addition to being a wonderful, wife and mother, Mom had a professional career as well. She worked as an administrative assistant at the Berkeley Radiation Lab, as a Legal Secretary, and as a court transcriber. After moving to Benicia, she became a Realtor and continued to work in real estate for more than 20 years. Mom and Dad lived in Richmond, El Cerrito, Pinole and finally settled in Benicia in 1974.

Mom and Dad enjoyed traveling. Their two favorite destinations were Disneyland, where they shared the joy with their children and eventually with their grandchildren; and, of course, their favorite getaway was Hawaii. Dad would enjoy the surf while Mom covered herself in sunblock and stayed in the shade to just relax. Mom loved baseball and the Oakland A's. Even as her sickness progressed, she still mustered the strength to attend Spring Training and enjoy her season tickets.

Mom was preceded in death by her husband of 51 years John Morgado, parents Mamie & William, and brothers Charles and Mitchell. She is survived by her sons John (Gail), Anthony (Jessie) daughter Anna, grandchildren Ryan, Andrew, Lillian, Rachel, and Bethany. Mom is also survived by her sister Charlotte, brother Michael, and her numerous nieces and nephews.

Mom will be greatly missed, yet we are all consoled by a lifetime of love and memories that we have to cherish and share in the years to come.

Our family would like to extend our gratitude to Mom's wonderful team of caregivers: Virna, Paula, Melissa and Jessie. We also would like to thank Diablo Valley Oncology, our Hospice Nurse Preet and the entire Vitas Hospice team for all their support.

Visitation will be at Passalacqua Funeral Chapel after 4:00 p.m. Tuesday. The family prefers donation in her name be made to St. Dominic's School, 935 East 5th Street, Benicia.

Cemetery Details

St. Joseph Cemetery

2560 Church Lane
Church Ln
San Pablo, CA 94806

Previous Events

Vigil services

JUL **9**. 7:00 PM (PT)

Passalacqua Funeral Chapel
901 W Second Street
Benicia, CA 94510
(707) 745-3130
info@passalacquafuneralchapel.com
<https://www.passalacquafuneralchapel.com>

Mass of Christian Burial

JUL **10**. 10:00 AM (PT)

St Dominic's Catholic Church
475 E I St
Benicia, CA 94510
(707) 747-7220

Tribute Wall



“ *Nellie M. Morgado*

November 29, 2022 at 08:20 PM



“ *Tony:*
Sending prayers and condolences to you and the family. I know the fond memories and love from your Mother will always be in your hearts.
Sincerely,
Anne M. Lewis

Anne Lewis - July 09, 2019 at 04:39 PM



“ *Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of Nellie M. Morgado.*



July 07, 2019 at 05:23 PM



Barbara
Schilz

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God bless you Nellie may your rest in peace, for the Morgado family I am so sorry for our loss, may the peace of the Lord be with you. I so want to be there next week to pay my respects, but my husband and I will be traveling. Love to you all Barbara (Horvath) Schilz



Barbara Schilz - July 03, 2019 at 01:46 AM

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Barbara Horvath Schilz - July 03, 2019 at 01:41 AM

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“ *Carol & Michael Dowling lit a candle in memory of Nellie M. Morgado*



Carol & Michael Dowling - July 02, 2019 at 04:11 PM