



## Virginia Ortiz Bowen

October 11, 1940 - August 29, 2021

Virginia (Vickie) Ortiz Bowen 80, of Houston, TX passed away August 29, 2021. Virginia was born October 11, 1940, in Mazatlan, Mexico to Manuel and Lucia Ortiz. She is preceded in death by her husband Julian Bowen, with whom she celebrated 37 years of marriage. She is survived by her children: Linda Bowen, Lillian Bowen Osowski and Monica Bowen. Son-in-law: Michael Osowski, Grandsons: Connor, Dylan and Walter Osowski. Her siblings: Carmen Ortiz, Gloria Groselinger, Pedro Ortiz, and nieces and nephews.

Virginia (Vickie) grew up in Villa Union, a small village in the state of Sinaloa, Mexico. With immense courage she worked her way to Tijuana, Mexico where she met Julian, and he captured her heart. After a long-distance courtship, they married and settled down in Plant City, Florida. Within a few years, they were blessed with three daughters. Vickie's joy was caring for her children and grandchildren. She was a splendid hostess, and everyone enjoyed her outstanding cooking. She prepared food for her family, friends, and even the family pets. Vickie was an avid cheerleader at her children's (and grandchildren's) practices, swim meets, sports games, recitals and countless school functions.

Vickie enjoyed gardening, sewing, listening to mariachi music, watching football, watching lacrosse, going to the beach, spending time with family and friends and playing with her pets. She especially enjoyed cooking for, and

with, her family. When she came to Florida she didn't speak any English, but still became involved in the Catholic Church, the Garden Club, the Junior League Club and the Plant City Women's Club. She built a network of special friends, whom she treasured always.

Vickie will always be remembered for her timeless elegance and poise. She took pride in presenting herself in a polite and refined manner. She greeted everyone with a friendly smile and a loving embrace. She was spunky, sweet, sunny and warm. She was supportive, encouraging and loving. She exuded kindness to everyone.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a charitable donation to the Organic Acidemia Association (see link below for online donations)  
<https://www.oaanews.org/donate-now.html>

A memorial service will be held at Chapelwood United Methodist Church on September 16, 2021, at 11:00 a.m. The address for Chapelwood is: 11140 Greenbay Street, Houston, TX 77024

We welcome all of those who can attend to meet for lunch immediately following the service at Carrabas Restaurant, 1399 S. Voss Road, Houston, Texas 77057.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

SEP **16.** 11:00 AM (CT)

Chapelwood United Methodist Church  
11140 Greenbay Street  
Houston, TX 77024

# Tribute Wall



“ *Virginia Ortiz Bowen*

October 08, 2023 at 10:52 AM



“ *Virginia Ortiz Bowen*

October 06, 2023 at 01:12 AM



“ *Virginia Ortiz Bowen*

October 05, 2023 at 09:45 AM



“ *Virginia Ortiz Bowen*

October 05, 2023 at 01:54 AM



“ *This world will never be the same without my dearest friend Vickie to talk, laugh and share the love of our families together. She was such an inspiration to everyone that was blessed by having her in our lives. She shared and taught me so many joys of being a mother before I became a mother myself. You are at peace now.*

**Donna Nester** - September 16, 2021 at 11:10 AM



“ *A wonderful person. A strong woman. An amazing mom. A sweet soul. May she rest in peace.*

**Linh** - September 15, 2021 at 08:57 PM

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“ Linda, you always had such great stories about your mom. I can only imagine how difficult this time is for you and your sisters. She was a very special woman and she will always be with you. Your mom went through a lot and fought so hard. Although the relief from her suffering is a blessing, I know it doesn't make it any easier. I hope you can find some peace in all the positive memories you have of her. We are here for you if you need anything.



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**Patricia Mendoza** - September 15, 2021 at 08:31 PM