



Raquel Balceda Ziomek

August 14, 1949 - July 21, 2020

Raquel Balceda Ziomek, 70, of Orlando, Florida passed away surrounded by loved ones on July 21, 2020. She was born on August 14, 1949 in Manila, Philippines. She is survived by her husband, Leon A. Ziomek; sons, Rennel Sangria (Natalie) and Arbi Sangria; brothers, Eugenio Balceda, Erano Balceda, and Butch Balceda; sisters, Rebecca West, Emily Dimalanta, Mercedes Pangolino, and Marcella Cunanan; and grandchildren, Myli Sangria and Mia Sangria.

Raquel was a devoted member of the Iglesia Ni Cristo, loving wife, mother, and grandmother.

She came to America with nothing and managed to achieve the American Dream while raising two sons as a single parent.

To her husband, Raquel was a force of nature that saved him and helped shape him into the best possible version of himself.

She was like Nick Fury - without him there would be no Avengers, just like without her there would be no Us.

Raquel was a kind and giving person who was always quick to help out a loved one in need. Her hard work and generosity were instrumental in helping

many people throughout her life.

You will be hard pressed to meet another soul as honest. She was always full of advice and looking out for her family's best interests.

Raquel enjoyed cooking, traveling, working, and spending time with her family.

She was an adventurous, energetic, fun-loving woman, who was eternally young at heart and changed the lives of all who were lucky enough to know her for the better.

In lieu of flowers, the family welcomes you to share a memory on this tribute page by creating a post and sharing a photo or video.

Previous Events

Committal Service

JUL **24**. 2:15 PM (ET)

Cape Canaveral National Cemetery
5525 US Highway 1
Mims, FL 32754

Tribute Wall

FP

“ *Our Almighty God will never forget Sister Raquel. Our deepest and heartfelt condolences to Brother Zee and your family!*

Frantz Philippi - July 26, 2020 at 07:57 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Raquel Balceda Ziomek.*



July 26, 2020 at 07:54 PM

DC

“ *To Leon and Raquel's entire family, I am so sorry to hear about Raquel's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. I worked with Raquel at the post office. She was not only beautiful on the outside (especially when she came to work dressed up in her church clothes with her make up, jewelry on and sneakers on), but also on the inside. She was a good friend, always looking out for everyone's best interest, always caring for everyone that was in her path. She will be sadly missed!!! Rest In Peace "My Little Raquel"*

Dianne Cicerone - July 26, 2020 at 04:36 AM

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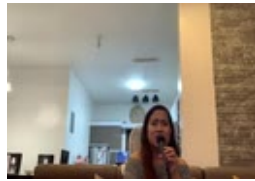
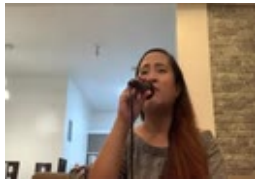
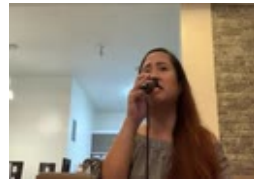
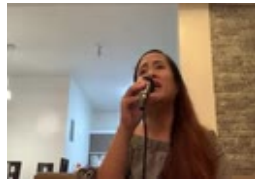
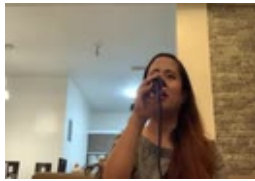
“ 17 files added to the album *More photos to cherished*



Emily Dimalanta - July 25, 2020 at 02:56 AM

CH

“ 5 files added to the tribute wall



che - July 24, 2020 at 11:12 AM

LZ

“ See how beautiful she is!



Leon Ziomek - July 24, 2020 at 09:55 AM

CH

You two are the sweetest. I remember that babylove you're her baby forever. She's beautiful indeed.. i miss her

che - July 24, 2020 at 01:45 PM

LZ

“ *Just a few wonderful memories of my sweetheart! She's so cute!*



Leon Ziomek - July 24, 2020 at 09:33 AM

DA

“ *with aunt raquel..*



day - July 24, 2020 at 07:46 AM

DA

“ video compilation from the Balceda family

Background music by Che Che

♪ If I Believe

♪ Araw Gabi

♪ Warrior is a child



day - July 24, 2020 at 07:43 AM

ED

“ 20 files added to the album Australia and New Zealand Trip



Emily Dimalanta - July 24, 2020 at 07:42 AM

C_

“ Some of our great memories together with my dear sister- erdy



c_balceda83@yahoo.com.ph - July 24, 2020 at 04:57 AM



“ Ms. Raquel, I know you are in the loving hands of our Creator. You will be truly missed by your family and friends as well as your coworkers at Seminole P&DC. I didn't get a chance to know you as much as I would love to. But those little texts and called we've shared made me sure that you were a wonderful and loving person this world have lost.



Rad Grace - July 24, 2020 at 03:37 AM

Gee
Balceda

“ I've created this poem dedicated to Auntie Raquel Leon Ziomek

Your presence, love and kindness will forever be with us. ❤️

You are loved by everyone



Gee Balceda - July 24, 2020 at 01:46 AM

Gee
Balceda

“ When we visited Coron after boracay.
I was amazed in the resort you choose to stay. We had fun during
our island hopping though when we are on our way back there was a
storm.

Coron was so beautiful and you loved it as well. Thank for giving me
a chance to spend sometime with you.

I posted here on of uncle zee's song during our trip since I found it
lovely. I was wondering if he sang this too when uncle is courting
Auntie Raquel before



Gee Balceda - July 24, 2020 at 01:03 AM

 Gee
Balceda

“ *My first ever boracay trip with Auntie Raquel, Uncle Zee, Tita Emily, Uncle Louie, Auntie Beck and ate Pinky.*

Remember when we are in Puka beach and you want to save 20 pesos. Everyone's laughing so hard when you did it and ate pinky joins you to save 20 pesos as well.



Gee Balceda - July 23, 2020 at 10:35 PM

 Gee
Balceda

“ *September 2017 when Auntie Raquel and Uncle Zee together with Tita Emily, Tita Beck and ate Pinky visited my dad in Davao.*



Gee Balceda - July 23, 2020 at 10:24 PM

 Gee
Balceda

Tito Butch and Tita Josie went in Davao as well

Gee Balceda - July 23, 2020 at 10:25 PM



Gemmuel
Enriquez

Tita Emily is quite right about what she said to Tita Raquel. That no one can surpass what she did for the welfare of all her loved ones.

Gemmuel Enriquez - July 24, 2020 at 01:25 AM

AS

“ I am not sure if this was the time at the Plaza in New York 1993, when she got to see the Statue of Liberty. But it was a one great story that was told, that she went teary eyed seeing lady Liberty. It was very fitting to see a symbol of immigrants to an immigrant like her. I'm sure she felt proud that she has made it.

When I got to Vancouver I contacted her if I can write her down as my Godmother. It was 2009 job is not easy to find especially if you don't have a Canadian experience, money was tight and the check that she send us as our Wedding gift helped. She is always giving and also Very industrious. When she came to visit Vancouver, she was offering to pay, I said I'll take of it, but to my surprise , I laughed as she brought out her bagful of Canadian quarters that she said she saved while she was still working at the cruise ship... that was like how many years ago.... that's how earnest she is...

Everything with her is well thought of and taken care of. Just like the appliance insurance that I only learned from her... remembering when we're all sweaty together in their living room watching Antman, and there would be a New Years party like the next day. How smart was she to Get that insurance to solve the aircon problem. She was always solving everyone's problems. That's caring she was.

My conversations with her Are very informative. She was a clever and funny woman. She laughs at herself when she makes mistakes, ay Caramba... she tells us that ... I don't know if that is her homage to Bart or if that was just her...

Auntie Raquel, Thank you for being a great example... For paving the way... for the love and care... I did learn a lot of valuable lesson from you... you are my Lady Liberty... I love you. ❤️❤️❤️



Amy Shepard - July 23, 2020 at 08:04 PM

MS

“ From lola Raquel’s good friend, Digna Enriquez-Mamaril -

Honesty & kindness always radiates from her whole being: in the way she thinks, in what she says & in her actions. Never a fake person.

All the years since I first met her at work in the Auditing Dept in an office in Makati, she’s been an adviser and role model. Has always a happy & positive attitude. Always smiling. I can not recall a time when she got upset or angry. And I regret that I was not able to tell her in person how much she meant to me as a very dear friend & that I love her for subconsciously inspiring me in many ways. She will be missed. I know she’s in heaven watching over all of us. She is now resting in peace.

Myli Sangria - July 23, 2020 at 06:53 PM

C_

“ Here are some of our pictures together. So hard to choose which one is my favorite cause everything is just perfect. I miss auntie raquel 😞



c_balceda83@yahoo.com.ph - July 23, 2020 at 02:19 PM

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“ *She’s a very adventurous, energetic and jolly person* ❤️



c_balceda83@yahoo.com.ph - July 23, 2020 at 02:09 PM

C_

“ *She’s definitely young at heart. I will miss you my groovy, sweet, jolly fashionista Aunt* ❤️❤️❤️



c_balceda83@yahoo.com.ph - July 23, 2020 at 02:05 PM

NS

“ *One of our trips to Discovery Cove. This is one of my favorite memories with Raquel. She loved it and we all had such a good time there together.*



Natalie Sangria - July 23, 2020 at 12:56 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Raquel Balceda Ziomek.



July 23, 2020 at 12:25 PM



“ *Fun times at Disney*



Rennel Sangria - July 23, 2020 at 07:28 AM



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Rennel Sangria - July 23, 2020 at 07:24 AM

BS

“ We were so blessed to spend time with Raquel and have her in our lives. Here are pictures we will treasure of her.

May the Lord now bless her and keep her, may he set his face upon her, and give her peace!

Bill and Adelina



Bill Sabatine - July 22, 2020 at 11:16 PM

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Myli Sangria - July 22, 2020 at 06:35 PM

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Natalie Sangria - July 22, 2020 at 06:15 PM

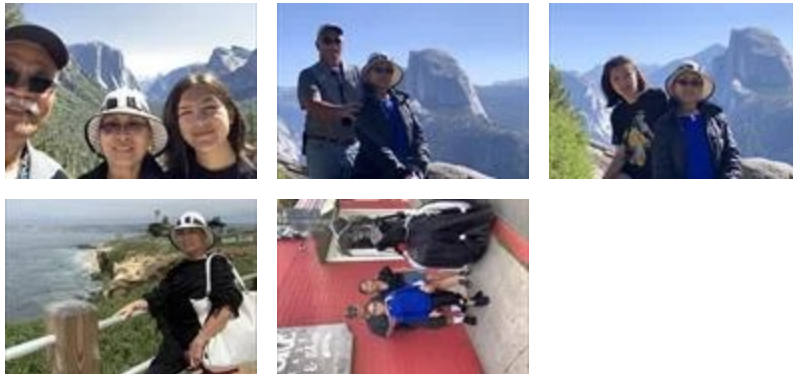
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Oh this is the dog she was talking about. She adopt this for uncle zee
❤️

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NS

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Natalie Sangria - July 22, 2020 at 06:11 PM

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“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



Natalie Sangria - July 22, 2020 at 06:08 PM

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“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



Natalie Sangria - July 22, 2020 at 05:51 PM