Angelita Maria Bowen

Angelita Maria Bowen, 78, passed away November 7, 2019. She was born in Coatzacoalcos Veracruz, Mexico on April 14, 1941, and was a long time resident of Jacksonville.

Angelita's love for God showed through her and in her everyday life. Angelita loved sitting on her porch feeding and watching the squirrels run around and play. She had a special place in her heart for butterflies that carried over in her jewelry and decorations in her home. Her favorite family outing was going crabbing even when she was unable to throw the crab net she would sit with her chair in the water with a piece of chicken on a string and pull in the crabs close to her feet for her to scoop them up. She had a love for music, dancing and singing no matter where she was. She loved doing crossword puzzles, playing her Tetris game and her arts and crafts. Angelita was loved and respected by all who knew her and will forever be missed. Her smile, her laugh, her patience, her love, her kindness, her generosity, and words of wisdom will never be forgotten.

Angelita is preceded in death by her parents Santiago Espinosa Castillo and Maria Villanueva; her granddaughter Deedee Kay Bowen; and many family and friends.

She is survived by her sisters and loving family members who reside in Mexico; her seven children Jim Bowen, John Bowen, Herman Bowen, Eric (Tammy) Bowen, Walter Hughes, Thurston (Cindy) Hughes and Margie Bowen (Terra); 10 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

The memorial service will be held Saturday, November 23 at 2 p.m. at Faith Memorial Baptist Church, 6731 Ramona Blvd, Jacksonville.

Hardage Giddens Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.