



Isolene Castella Swift King

January 28, 1938 - August 29, 2016

Isolene Castella Swift was born January 28, 1938 in Bomba, Belize, to Edith Mary Peters and Charles Swift. She was raised by her mother in Belize City and attended Wesley School where she was an excellent scholar. Isolene travelled back and forth between Belize and the US to work and provide for her family (which consisted of 1 boy & 4 girls). She eventually immigrated to the United States in July of 1969 with her five children. Her sixth child was born in the States. Isolene worked many jobs to support her family, and she was very proud of returning to school and earning her Nursing License. She worked as a Licensed Vocational Nurse at Cedar Sinai and Inglewood Convalescent Hospitals in Los Angeles, California until her retirement. She was determined to make life work for herself and her family...and she did. Her journey was a picture of strength and courage, and an inspiration to many who knew her.

Isolene was also an artist with many talents. She was a seamstress, beautician, and cake decorator. She also enjoyed gardening, fishing, and dancing... and boy, could she dance! She shared her gifts with her family and her community. She would make clothing and cakes for her family, and anyone who admired her handiwork. Because of her love of flowers, she spent much of her time indulging her "green thumb." Her coastal tropical history drew her to water where she spent many hours fishing and enjoying the scenery. Her favorite places were Redondo Beach Pier and Marina del

Rey in Southern California. Isolene immersed herself in music and dance, and her taste ran the gamut from Mahalia Jackson to Cyndi Lauper. She also loved animals and especially doted on her 2 dogs Pookers and Kitty.

On August 29, 2016, Isolene Castella Swift King, our mother, our daughter, our sister, our grandmother, our aunt, our loved one, and our friend, made her final journey home. She is survived by her mother, Edith Gladden, her 6 children, Cherrymae, Janice, Michael, Ann, Sharon and De-Iso, brothers Charles and Warren, sisters Ionie, Urceline and Beulah, grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, friends and her beloved dog.

Cemetery Details

Rolling Hills Memorial Park

4100 Hilltop Drive
Richmond, CA 94803

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 12. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (PT)

Harris Funeral Home Legacy Center
1331 San Pablo Ave.
Berkeley, CA 94702
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Service

SEP 12. 11:00 AM (PT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Harris Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Isolene Castella Swift King*



Harris Funeral Home - September 12, 2016 at 12:42 PM



“ *84 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Harris Funeral Home - September 12, 2016 at 12:16 PM

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“ *I've always remembered the first time I met Isolene—at Ann-Marie's wedding in LA. She always made me feel incredibly welcome and at home. Everyone misses you, Isolene—I know I do.*

Michael, Mike, Uncle Mike...

Michael Golston - September 11, 2016 at 12:20 PM

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“ *In Memory of a wonderful Mother Momma King! May the blessings of the Lord be with all of you during this time! Let her beautiful smile and great memories rest in our hearts as she is celebrated! May God provide all that you need! Peace and great joy!
We are all praying with you. Class of 1976 family/friends! love
Debra*



debra - September 10, 2016 at 07:51 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Isolene Castella Swift King.*



September 09, 2016 at 11:34 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Isolene Castella Swift King.*



September 09, 2016 at 02:56 PM



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Harris Funeral Home - September 08, 2016 at 09:17 PM

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“ With so much respect and love to my mother in law. I will always remember all the prayers We did together. Karla



Karla Granadino-King - September 08, 2016 at 06:19 PM