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Born February 28, 1954 in Weslaco Texas, came to McCloud, CA at an early age. Then migrated to Gervais Oregon in 1964. Where she worked as a Migrant farm worker and also worked as a Candy striper in a Nursing home.

Then she met Francisco while attending Winter Day school at MacLaren in Woodburn. As they both received their GED. She went on to get married on September 11, 1971 to the love of her life Francisco. After marriage she started working for Woodburn High School, then continued in the Education field a Gervais Middle School as a Homeschool consultant Migrant Counselor, went on to work for the MESC as an Parent Involvement Specialist, then went onto North Salem High school as an Secretary for the Special Ed dept, and then went on to working at McKay High school as an School office Specialist then lastly went back to work for Woodburn school district at the Welcome Center as a Parent Involvement Specialist. She was really involved with Co-President of Cesar E. Chavez leadership and OACE.

She was also active in District 7 as a volunteer as an Office on Staff. As well as On staff with the Softball World Series in Portland, OR. As well as Western Regionals in Vancouver, WA. For 20 plus years. She really enjoyed volunteering, which led to receiving a Beacon Award for Salem Keizer Public Schools for her volunteerism at McKay High School. She also helped many families in the Gervais, Woodburn area, strangers became family to Yolanda. She was a Big Mentor to many people.

Yolanda really enjoyed watching her Husband Coach alongside Son Pancho in coaching her son Marco. While having her daughter Esmeralda being by her side through it all. Then came the grandsons Noah and Alex. She would not miss any Baseball, Basketball, Football or wrestling games. Then came her last grandson Jaxon, who she loved as well. She always enjoyed having her husband and kids as her grandsons around all the time. She also loved

the family dog her Ewok.

Those that knew she was an avid Los Angeles Dodger fan! She now watches along with her son Pancholin.

Yoland is preceded in death by her Father Hilario and Mother Ofelia, her first born son Pancholin (Kasey). Leaving to mourn husband of 54 years Francisco, daughter Esmeralda, Marco (Jessica), Grandsons Noah, Alex and Jaxon. Brother Liborio (Aida), Sister Raquel. And many Uncles, Aunts, Cousins, Nieces, Nephews and great-nieces and great-nephews, Sister-in laws and Brother-in laws.

“She will be missed by many”

Memorial Service: Date: Monday October 27, 2025

Location: St. Edward Catholic Church

5303 River Rd N

Keizer, Oregon 97303

Time: Mass at 1:30 pm

Burial to follow at City View Cemetery