



Carmen Luz Miranda

September 8, 1955 - August 30, 2026

South Bend, Indiana

Carmen Luz Miranda died in South Bend on August 30, 2026. She was 70. Born on September 8, 1955, with Puerto Rican roots that shaped the table more than the flag. She learned early that a day is something you finish, not something you wait for.

She treated injections and bedside manners as the same craft. Patients kept the calm she modeled; students kept her laminated card. Colleagues still mention a laminated dosage card in her purse.

She married Luis in 1977. They kept a house that stayed modest when the neighborhood did not. They raised two daughters through public schools and ordinary weather. After Luis died in 2019, she kept the routines that still made sense: the walk, the garden, the Sunday call.

Neighbors remember covered dishes that arrived without a speech. She liked early mornings before the heat or the noise. She died in South Bend, among streets she never needed to explain. The garden will come up next spring without being told.

Services

A memorial gathering in South Bend with coffee afterward. In lieu of flowers, a gift to a local workers' fund, clinic, or neighborhood library is welcome.

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