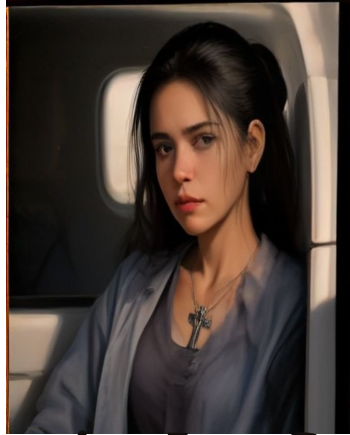




Encarnacion Luz Contreras

January 9, 1955 - September 3, 2026

Reno, Nevada

Encarnacion Luz Contreras died in Reno on September 3, 2026, at seventy-one. She was born in Sparks on January 9, 1955, to parents who had come from Jalisco by way of a long patience. She grew up in a city that still had rooms at the edges and offices in the middle. She learned English at school and a second set of manners at the table. She never treated either language as a costume.

She spent fifteen years making beds she did not sleep in, then another decade driving a clinic van that treated a long line as weather you could live with if you kept moving. She translated forms twice: once into English a tired parent could use, and once into the quiet that says you are not in trouble for needing help. She kept extra water without putting a note on the dash about generosity.

She married Ruben Contreras in 1977. They bought a bungalow in a neighborhood that later became expensive around them. They stayed. A son and a daughter went through public schools she trusted more than she trusted casino talk. After Ruben died in 2021 she kept the garden of peppers and the habit of walking a neighbor's child to the bus when a shift ran late.

Neighbors remember a woman who swept her sidewalk and yours if the wind had been unfair, who kept a coffee can of buttons labeled in two languages, and who could sit through a graduation without making it about herself. She liked the Truckee early, before the heat. She died in Reno, among hills she had never needed to explain. The extra water is still in the van.

Services

A memorial in Reno with tea afterward. In lieu of flowers, a gift to a clinic van fund or adult English class is

welcome.

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