



## Laticia Josephina Guardado

January 8, 1973 - April 10, 2024

Laticia Josephina Guardado passed away on April 10, 2024, at the age of 51, in San Francisco, California, after long battled medical conditions.

She is survived by her son, Gabriel Sullivan; mother, Ada Fogal; siblings, Ada Guardado, Kenneth Guardado, Vanessa Guardado, and Georgina Marie Guardado; ex-husband Sean Sullivan and his family who loved Laticia dearly; and many more family members, cousins, and friends.

Laticia was loved dearly and deeply by her friends, family, and Silverado Ace Hardware colleagues where she began working at the age of 16 and went on until her 40s when she was no longer able to work due to health issues.

The light of Laticia's life was her son whom she loved unconditionally. Having suffered from kidney disease since her early teens, Laticia was also passionate about advocacy and raising awareness for organ donation and dialysis. She loved volunteering in classrooms and for her son's sports games and other school events.

In the words of her cousin Che Guardado, Laticia was "strong, sassy, tenacious, vivacious, and always quick with a comeback. She had the most fighting spirit and fought for every beautiful year she had. Her legacy is the strength and love visible in her son Gabriel, in her siblings, and in every one of

us cousins, nieces, and nephews she helped raise. Tish, you are a part of us, a piece of our spirit, and you will live on in this world through us.”

From her former Ace Hardware boss, MaryAnn Petersen, who she viewed as a second mother, “Tish was a voracious reader. She enjoyed science fiction and mysteries. Tish was strong and endured so much in her life that she had no patience for employees who would call in sick for minor aches and pains.”

Her niece Mónica Guardado accurately describes Laticia’s fun-loving nature, “My favorite memories of her are playing the most intense Uno games, sometimes until 3 am, with her and my dad. Even if she had dialysis early the next morning she would NEVER forfeit. In life there were so many hardships she had to deal with, so much pain, but she always kept going, never forfeiting! I miss her dearly, as we all do, but I am at peace knowing she doesn't have to fight so hard or live in pain any longer. An amazing mom, and an amazing aunt, we all love you very much, Laticia.”

Her siblings can attest to her undying love for her family and her resilience in overcoming hardship. She inspires us all to keep going.

An end of life ceremony is planned for Friday, May 3rd, 2024, 11 am, at the St. Helena Public Cemetery located at 2461 Spring Street. A celebration of life potluck will take place following the ceremony at Pioneer Park in Calistoga located at 1308 Cedar Street. All friends, family, acquaintances, and colleagues of Laticia’s are welcome. Attendees are encouraged to bring flowers, photos, keepsakes, stories, and/or memories to share in honor of Laticia.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Helena Cemetery

2421 Spring St.  
St. Helena, CA 94574

# Previous Events

## Ceremony

MAY 3. 11:00 AM (PT)

St. Helena Public Cemetery  
2461 Spring Street  
St. Helena, CA 94574

## Celebration of Life Gathering

MAY 3 (PT)

Pioneer Park  
1308 Cedar Street  
Calistoga, CA

*Following the Committal Service in St. Helena Cemetery, friends are invited to gather at Calistoga's Pioneer Park*

# Tribute Wall

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“ I met Tish over 21 years ago, when I started working at Ace. I was lucky enough to be trained by her! We clicked instantly! My fondest memory is the very first Christmas I was so lucky enough to get to do, Tish and I were up front in the garden room unpacking boxes of Christmas decorations to put out and she was telling stories of Tim’s mom, Elaine, and all the wonderful memories she had with her! She told me the history she had with the store and the family and how much she loved them and loved working there! I have so many wonderful memories of Tish! She will always be in my heart! She was the Best friend! A Fantastic Mom! She was an Angel in Earth!



Kathy Collins - May 03, 2024 at 10:16 AM

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Kathy, thank yiu for your kind words. She was an angel!!  
Ada Fogal her mom

Ada fogal - June 29, 2024 at 08:52 PM

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“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Adrianna Guardado - May 03, 2024 at 01:06 AM

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“ I remember her cheering on niece Adrianna and nephew Victor at Lakeport soccer games. Her family was very dear to her. May she rest in peace.



Peggy Alexander - May 02, 2024 at 08:41 PM

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Adrianna Guardado - May 02, 2024 at 05:41 PM

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“ Adrianna Guardado sent a virtual gift in memory of Laticia Guardado



Adrianna Guardado - May 02, 2024 at 05:40 PM

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“ Georgina Guardado sent a virtual gift in memory of Laticia Josephina Guardado



Georgina Guardado - May 02, 2024 at 03:12 PM

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“ *Georgina Guardado lit a candle in memory of Laticia Josephina Guardado*



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**Georgina Guardado** - May 02, 2024 at 03:12 PM

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“ *Ada Fogal (mother) lit a candle in memory of Laticia Josephina Guardado*



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**Ada Fogal (mother)** - May 02, 2024 at 03:06 PM

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“ I'm beautiful Laticia's mother. I have so many unforgettable & loving, happy memories of my angel. First one is the best, the day she was born, January 8, 1973, what a proud day. I was only 20 years old and couldn't believe how we created this small beautiful creature. ❤️. My nickname for Laticia has always been "Sunshine". Since the first moment I held her in my arms, as I looked into those small beautiful eyes, holding her little hand in mine I felt so much comfort, love, pride for having the honor to have this priceless treasure to call mine. At that first second we looked at each other, my heart lit up, I felt warmth, like sunshine, the room lit up and so did my life, my world.

Another memory is about a concert ticket I just happened to find. I'm sure she was here guiding me to it. On August 26, 2007 my youngest daughter Georgina gifted laticia & I concert ticket at the old konocti theater to see our joint favorite singer, Reba McEntire!!! We were so excited and nervous. We were I believe 2nd or 3rd row middle. It was amazing, the look on her face. At the end we, and everyone was waiting for Reba to do "Fancy". Suddenly she thanked the audience, said her goodbyes. We both and everyone was so sad and disappointed. Then suddenly her band started playing, everyone started clapping, we all knew what was coming next. But I think we believed they were just only playing the song, until the music got louder, the band was there, the curtains very slowly opened up to Reba!!! Dresses in her famous short, red fringed dress, biggest smile and sunf "Fancy" the crowd were on cloud nine, everyone sroodbup, applauding & singing along. Then Laticia started singing along and dancing so, I did too!! That's such a happy time I will hold near my heart forever. Miss my Sunshine.

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Ada Fogal (mother) - May 02, 2024 at 03:03 PM

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“ Dear beloved friends and family of Laticia's: we invite you to share your condolences and memories here on this lovely page in her memory. To start, here is Tish on her 50th birthday making a wish. Our family look forward to celebrating her at her service on Friday May 3rd.



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**Georgina Guardado** - May 02, 2024 at 02:43 PM

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*God bless you Leticia, my condolences to her family and friends. May the memory of her be blessings to all. Linda Iverson*

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**Linda Iverson** - August 04, 2024 at 01:33 PM