



Maria Alaniz

September 9, 1980 - October 11, 2024

Maria Teresa Alaniz, of Dallas, Texas, passed away on October 11, 2024 surrounded by her loved ones. Maria was born on September 9, 1980 in Perry, Maine and was a proud tribe member of the Passamaquoddy Tribe. Later in life, Maria moved to Texas where she raised her family consisting of her daughter, who was her best friend, and her wonderful son. Those preceding Maria in death are her beloved adoptive parents: Richard Socabasin and Bessie Lola as well as her biological parents, Andy and Lucille Moore and her brother Dickie Lola.

Maria was a warm soul, known for her joyous laugh and courageous personality. She was often known to laugh so hard she'd cry tears of joy. Maria never failed to, upon seeing you, give you a welcoming and genuine hug, which left you feeling loved and cherished. When Maria wanted to have fun, you would often find her enjoying time in the great outdoors, appreciating a beautiful sunset or a view that brought peace to her heart. Her being a descendant of a historic Native American Tribe, the Passamaquoddy tribe who originated in the St. Croix River area of Maine, enabled Maria to have a unique and deep-seated appreciation for all that nature provided.

Strengthening Marias Native American roots and supporting her community, she had become involved with the Intertribal Community Council of Texas alongside her mother-in-law, Glenda. In this community council, Maria advocated for her fellow tribe members and educated others in honor of her Passamaquoddy traditions. Maria also delighted in spending quality time with

those close to her, often playing games such as Yahtzee or bingo and attending country concerts. Travelling back to Pleasant Point, Maine to visit her home reservation with precious time spent reminiscing and creating new memories with extended family and friends. A beautiful woman whose love for her family and compassion for everyone she met, Maria will be always missed and never forgotten.

She leaves her legacy of unconditional love to her daughter, Celeste West and husband Jason of Terrell, Texas; her son, Antonio Alaniz; her husband, John Alaniz; brothers: Gary Moore and wife Adele, Peter Neptune, Blunce Neptune, Drew Moore and wife Brittany, and Richard Socabasin, all of Pleasant Point, Maine; sisters, Maggie Dana and husband Darrin of Pleasant Point, Maine and Samantha Socabasin of Bangor, Maine along with many other extended family members, including nieces, and nephews, each of whom Maria loved dearly.

Tribute Wall

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“ My heartfelt condolences to her family, friends & all whom she loved
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Annie Brackett - October 28, 2024 at 07:53 PM

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“ Maria, you were beautiful both inside and out You also were so caring and giving. Thank you for everything. I love you and I will miss you. 💔

Oralia cantu - October 22, 2024 at 01:55 PM

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“ Rest in Peace Tus👍👍, I will miss your smiling face, your beautiful face. You are loved .
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Thetesa Sapiel & Family - October 22, 2024 at 01:22 PM

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I am so very sorry for the passing of beautiful, Maria. A wonderful soul taken way too soon. Maria
Maria, may the memory of ur bright smile forever shine on ur family.
Apcoc, Cyril

Cyril - October 22, 2024 at 05:53 PM

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My heart skipped a beat when I heard, that you passed. I remembered the day you was born, mama with Dr. Z flying to the delivery room. You and Sioux were room mates in the nursery. After that you two had parties a day a part. Give your parents a hug, RIP Tus.

barbara dore - October 22, 2024 at 06:07 PM