



# Mary Percy Mestre

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**M**ary Percy Mestre, known to her many loving family members and friends as “Percy”, passed away on February 4th in Tampa. Percy was born in Havana, Cuba on June 28th, 1956, and immigrated to the US in 1961 with her mother and siblings, fleeing Fidel Castro’s dictatorship which held her father as a political prisoner for eighteen and a half years. She lived in Miami Beach for three years and then moved to Lutz and Tampa where she lived for the rest of her life, except for a 10-year period in which she lived in Miami. Percy went to St. Lawrence Catholic School from 4th to 8th grade and graduated from Tampa Catholic High School. For most of Percy's life in Tampa and Miami she was a corporate travel agent, and she also worked as a Bilingual Spanish Aide in the Hillsborough County Public Schools.

Percy was beautiful, warm, vivacious, intelligent, personable, friendly, fun, witty, and generous to all she met, especially her family and friends. She loved reading, movies, the beach, television, good food, travel, and, most of all, spending time with her family, to whom she was totally devoted. Percy was the best daughter, sister, aunt, godmother, cousin and friend, and she will be greatly missed by her large, extended family as well as her many friends.

Percy is preceded in death by her mother Mary Percy Mestre Roberts, her father Ramon Mestre, stepmother Carmen Mestre Trueba, brother-in-law William (Bill) Whitley, niece Sofia Whitley and nephew Wyatt Whitley.

She is survived by her sister Adelaida (Addy) Whitley, her brothers Ramon, Peter and Jose (Pepe) Mestre, her sister-in-law Pamela Mestre, her nieces Jolie Mestre and Layla Whitley, nephews Ramon and Peter Mestre and Taylor Roberts, and her cousins and best friends who were like siblings and nephews to her, Barbara, Sia, Nicholas and Andrea Mollanazar.

Percy is also survived by her aunt Estela Roberts and uncle Alex M. Roberts Jr., her first cousins Eugene (Butch) Roberts Jr., Maria Engel, John Roberts, Yvonne Rivera, Leandra and Qoomars



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Mollanazar, Estela Miller, Alex M. Roberts III and Natalie Roberts, along with countless loving relatives in the United States, Mexico, and Spain.

Visitation will be on Saturday, February 18 from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm at Boza & Roel Funeral Home, 4730 Armenia Ave. in Tampa. Eulogies and prayers will take place between 12:30 pm and 1:30 pm, with graveside services to follow at 3:00 pm at the Centro Español Memorial Park Cemetery located at 3300 N. 46th Street in Tampa. In lieu of flowers the family asks that donations be made in Percy's name to New Beginnings of Tampa Inc., 1402 E Chilkoot Ave., Tampa, FL 33612, or Metropolitan Ministries of Tampa, 2002 N. Florida Ave., FL 33602 as Percy was passionate about helping the poor and the homeless.



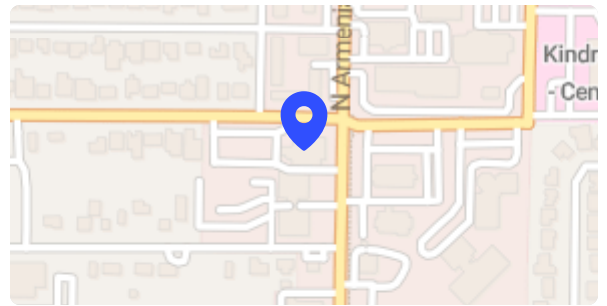
# Events

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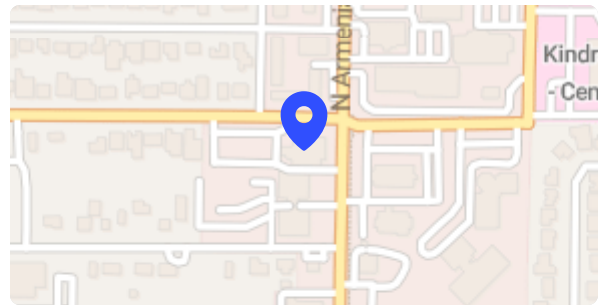
## Visitation

- Saturday**, February 18, 2023
- 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM ET
- Boza & Roel Funeral Home**  
4730 North Armenia Avenue, Tampa FL 33603



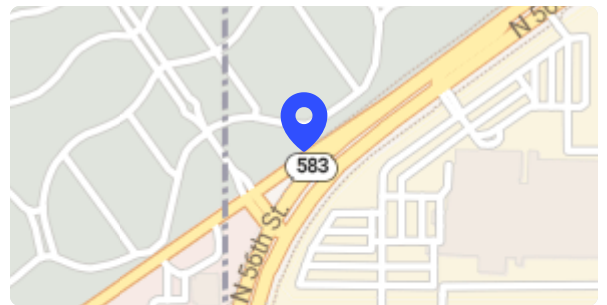
## Funeral Service

- Saturday**, February 18, 2023
- 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM ET
- Boza & Roel Funeral Home**  
4730 North Armenia Avenue, Tampa FL 33603



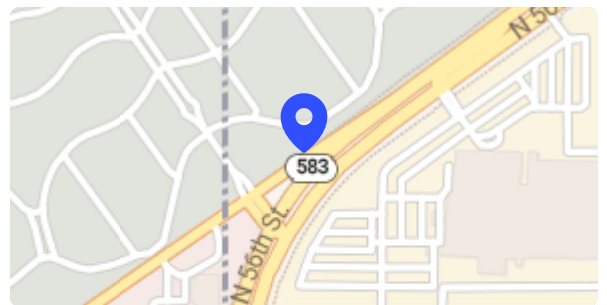
## Burial

- Saturday**, February 18, 2023
- 3:00 PM ET
- Centro Espanol Memorial Park Cemetery**  
4601 E 32nd ave, Tampa FL 33605



## Cemetery Details

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## Tribute Wall

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**Carlamaría Mesterton** shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

I will always remember Percy as such a beautiful girl. Quiero expresar pesame.

February 18 at 7:19 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Beautiful Dreams to the Mestre family.

February 17 at 10:03 AM



**Anonymous** sent an Arrive in Style to the Mestre family.

February 17 at 5:25 AM



**Kathy O. Clements** lit a candle in honor of Mary.

Kathy Clements lit a candle in memory of Mary Mestre

February 15 at 6:21 PM



**John Shea** posted:

As a young man growing up in Tampa I had the pleasure of knowing all the Mestre siblings. I learned a great deal about life in their home. The stories about their experience in Cuba was heart wrenching. Percy as everyone called her was the most beautiful woman I had ever laid eyes on. I don't really have the words to properly express my condolences to the entire Mestre family during this time oh incredible loss.....Jack Shea

February 15 at 10:56 AM



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LR

**Lupe Blanco Rifkin** posted:

Words cannot express what a loss this is for everyone who knows and loves our dear precious Percy. She's by far one of my favorite people and one of my dearest friends that I will miss beyond words. Her beautiful smile, quick wit, and lovely disposition are a few of her many attributes that I will miss. Sending prayers for peace, strength, and comfort to Percy's beloved family.

February 14 at 3:50 PM

RE

**Renee** posted:

When I commented that Percy was the most beautiful person I had ever met, our friends all agreed and replied, "Yes, inside and out". Thank you, Percy, for leaving us with such wonderful memories! We had so much fun!! Prayers & sympathy to the family. Renee Rodriguez MacMinn

February 12 at 12:42 PM

KC

**Kathy Olivera Clements** posted:

My deepest condolences to the family. You are in my thoughts and prayers. May God bring you peace at this difficult time. Kathy Olivera Clements

February 11 at 5:57 AM



## Media

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February 18 at 7:19 AM





## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Mary by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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