



## Benita de Leon Cuison

March 21, 1935 - August 27, 2020

Our dearest Mother, Benita de Leon Cuison of Lake Mary, Florida joined our Creator on August 27, 2020 at the age of 85. Her memory lives on through her children: Lita, Linda (late), Willy, Ving, Helen, John, Julie, Gina, Evangeline, and Judith; her sons-in-law: Oscar (late), Danny, Franklin, Alex, Ben, Charlie, Jun, and Sonny; her daughters-in-law: Bing and Toni; and her 24 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren.

Benita was born on March 21, 1935 in Lingayen, Pangasinan, Philippines to Angelo and Pelagia de Leon. She grew up in Lingayen and eventually met Anacleto Cuison and got married on September 24, 1955. Together, they raised 10 children but unfortunately, her husband passed away at the young age of 38, only weeks after having their last child. Despite this tragedy, Benita, through her incredible bravery and willpower, was able to find a way to financially support her family by opening up her own diner called "ABC Canteen." It was there where she truly made a name for herself by sharing her incredible cooking to the people around her. After achieving her goal in sending all 10 of her children to college, Benita decided to close down her diner to finally retire.

Even in retirement, Benita was unable to contain her motherly instincts and unconditional love for her children. It was for that reason that Benita moved to Florida, USA in December of 2000 in guiding her youngest daughter, Judith,

and her husband, Sonny, in raising their future family. Grandma Benita, or “Nanay,” helped raise and take care of her 3 grandchildren, Nicholas, Ethan, and Kyle. Her passion for cooking continued on, cooking for not only just her grandchildren, but for friends, visitors, and even for parties. It was also here in the US where she discovered a new passion: shopping. She loved going to the mall with her daughter to shop for designer bags, clothes, and shoes. She met many people and forged lifelong friendships that she would never forget. According to Benita, her stay in the US was the happiest part of her life.

Benita is a woman of strength and great faith in God. Her knack of cooking paved the way to provide for her family. She will not only be remembered by her outstanding cooking, but also for her loving compassion and pure heart. Her sacrifices are truly beyond compare. Benita, with her radiant smile and contagious laugh, will be missed but surely not forgotten.

To honor Benita’s wishes, she will be buried in her hometown of Dagupan City, Philippines.

The family of Benita Cuison invites you to leave a message of condolence on the Tribute Wall created in her memory.

Funeral Services are pending at this time.

# Tribute Wall

NG

“ Hello Nay, I just want to say that I miss you a lot. I want to thank you for being there for me ever since I was a baby. Without you, I wouldn't be the man I am today. You're the best grandma anybody could ever ask for. I wish I could've cooked and taken care of you just as well as you did for me while I was growing up. I promise that I will take care of Mom, Pop, and si Ethan and si Kyle while I'm at home. Even though I will never be as good as you, I will try my best to make you proud with my cooking. You can never be replaced, and I will forever miss your radiant smile. I love you so much, Nay. Rest In Peace.

Your favorite grandson,  
Nikko

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**Nicholas Gorospe** - September 20, 2020 at 09:25 AM

NS

“ Nanay Bening, I will miss your yearly birthday greeting to me and Armand. You never miss to call us before or during our birthday. You have a very sharp and good memory. You are the only who always remembers my childhood. Saying “ay maakis ka nen ugaw ka, you start crying at sunset until you fall asleep”. What a memory to remember. I will also miss your cooking the best “Igado” we tasted that even my husband who is an Italian likes it. You have a big heart full of love and laughter that emits happiness and contentment. We will miss you but we know you're now with your loving husband Mama Cleto. Rest In Peace Nanay Bening.

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**Nora Salvatoriello** - September 11, 2020 at 06:23 PM

FM

“ Rest In Paradise Nanay Bening, We will miss you, Hinding hindi namin kayo makakalimutan salamat at naging parte ka ng buhay namin. We Love You Nanay!💙

Francisca Manuel - September 10, 2020 at 12:59 AM

TS

“ Surely we will miss you a lot. Thank you for your loving care when we were still at a young age. We will never forget your kindness to us. From all your nephews and nieces. Rest in peace Tia Bening.

Tom Samson - September 09, 2020 at 10:23 PM

DT

“ Rest In Peace Nanay Bening! If you happen to see Linda in heaven, whisper it to her that I miss her and love her so much. Nay, we're here waiting for your arrival. We dearly love you so much Nay!

Danilo Tab - September 09, 2020 at 10:21 PM

JG

“ Hi Nay, I've been thinking about you all the time, missing you a lot. I miss our daily routine together, our happy times we had. Thank you for being the BEST mom ever, your never ending love, your affection, your caring nature and kindness. You maybe gone physically but I will always remember the special times we spent together and you will live forever in my heart. Love and miss you everyday. Till we meet again.

Your loving daughter,  
Dith

Judith C Gorospe - September 09, 2020 at 08:49 PM

EG

“ I was so fortunate to have such a loving, caring, and selfless grandmother to raise me to become the person I am today. I will never forget the deep aroma of Filipino food as I came home from school every single day. I will never forget those restless nights as we watched Magic games together. Finally, I will never forget the way you have always put my needs before your own. You truly are the best grandmother anyone could ask for. Although you are not here physically, I still could feel your powerful presence guiding me to become a great man. Jesus received an angel! I will see you soon Nay! Mahal kita!

-Ethan Gorospe



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Ethan Gorospe - September 09, 2020 at 08:28 PM

KG

“ Hi Nay, I miss you so much. I think about you every day. You're the best grandma ever! Thank you for taking care of me, your love, and for helping me out for whatever I needed. I love you so much and I know you're in a better place now. I know one day that we'll see each other again.

Your grandson,  
Kyle

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Kyle Gorospe - September 09, 2020 at 08:13 PM