



Vitilia Prates Romano Ferreira

December 19, 1933 - January 13, 2026

Vitilia Prates Romano Ferreira, born December 19, 1933, in Lisbon, Portugal, passed away peacefully on January 13, 2026, at the age of 92. Her long life was defined by courage, devotion, and a deep love for her family.

Vitilia began her journey in Lisbon, where her roots and traditions shaped the strength and grace she carried throughout her life. She later moved to New Jersey, building a home filled with warmth, resilience, and the values she held dear. In her later years, she settled in Sanford, Florida, where she enjoyed a quieter chapter surrounded by family and sunshine.

She is survived by her three sons — Fernando, Paul, and Victor — who will forever carry her lessons and her unwavering support in their hearts. Vitilia also leaves behind daughter-in-law Judy, three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren, each a testament to the legacy of love she nurtured across generations.

Those who knew Vitilia will remember her for her wisdom, her gentle strength, and the way she made others feel seen and cared for. Her presence was a steady anchor, and her memory will continue to guide and inspire all who loved her.

Funeral services will be held on January 22 at DeGusipe Funeral Home, 905 Laurel Avenue, Sanford, FL from 2 to 6pm. In lieu of flowers, in-memory

donations can be made to the Dementia Society of America (www.dementiasociety.org)

Vitalia's life was a gift, and her absence will be felt deeply. She will be cherished always.

Previous Events

Public Visitation for Family and Friends

JAN **22**. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

DeGusipe Funeral Home & Crematory Sanford Chapel
905 Laurel Ave
Sanford, FL 32771
(407) 695-2273
todd@degusipe.com
<https://www.degusipefuneralhome.com>

Graveside Service

JAN **23**. 2:00 AM (ET)

Fred Hunters Hollywood Cemetery
6301 Taft St
Hollywood, FL 33024

Tribute Wall

ST

“ Sandra and Todd purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Vitilia Prates Romano Ferreira.



Sandra and Todd - January 21 at 09:10 PM

ST

“ Sandra and Todd planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Vitilia Prates Romano Ferreira.

Sandra and Todd - January 21 at 09:10 PM

VW

“ Victoria W. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Vitilia Prates Romano Ferreira.

Victoria W. - January 21 at 07:39 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Vitilia Prates Romano Ferreira.



January 20 at 07:54 PM

TF

“ The Ferrão and Luther family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Vítalia Prates Romano Ferreira.

The Ferrão and Luther family - January 20 at 07:54 PM

MO

“ McCarron Office purchased the Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray for the family of Vítalia Prates Romano Ferreira.



McCarron Office - January 20 at 09:37 AM

EC

“ Erik and Cathy planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Vítalia Prates Romano Ferreira.

Erik and Cathy - January 17 at 07:45 PM

EC

“ Erik and Cathy purchased the Tender Tribute for the family of Vítalia Prates Romano Ferreira.



Erik and Cathy - January 17 at 07:45 PM

RB

“ Ron & Toni Birkenmaier planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Vítalia Prates Romano Ferreira.

Ron & Toni Birkenmaier - January 16 at 07:07 AM

RB

“ Ron & Toni Birkenmaier purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Vítalia Prates Romano Ferreira.



Ron & Toni Birkenmaier - January 16 at 07:07 AM

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“ Lisa and Paul (Stel) purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Vítalia Prates Romano Ferreira.



Lisa and Paul (Stel) - January 15 at 05:51 PM

FF

“ Frank Forlano planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Vítalia Prates Romano Ferreira.

Frank Forlano - January 15 at 04:54 PM

FF

“ *Frank Forlano purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Vitilia Prates Romano Ferreira.*



Frank Forlano - January 15 at 04:54 PM

VW

“ *My sincere condolences to the Ferreira family. May beautiful memories help celebrate Vitilia's life.*

-Vicki



Vicki Warivonchik - January 14 at 09:21 PM

AP

“ *Annette Perrone lit a candle in memory of Vitilia Ferreira*



Annette Perrone - January 14 at 09:11 PM