

Mercedes “Mercy” Cruz Staples

August 7, 2022

Mercedes “Mercy” Staples of Chesterfield, VA passed away on Sunday, August 7, 2022. She was preceded in death by her parents, Miguel A. Cruz and Angelina Castillo Cruz; grandmothers, Carmen Siu and Margarita Pino; in laws, Donald Newton Staples and Charlene Smith Staples; sister, Angelina Leeuwrik; nephew, Derek Leeuwrik; and grandson, Aiden Staples. She is survived by her loving husband, Donald Wayne Staples; two sons, Michael and Marshall (Darcy); one daughter, Angelina; grandchildren, Reilly Phillips, Chloe Staples, Madyson, Felicity, Tristan and Landon, and Kaia Staples; and many other loving family members and friends.

Mercedes came to the United States from Cuba on August 26, 1962 with her parents and her sister. She was a doting mother and grandmother. She will be truly missed by all those who knew her.

The family will receive friends on Saturday, August 13 from 6 to 8pm at Bliley’s-Chippenham, 6900 Hull Street Road. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Jude’s Research Hospital or Boys Town.