



Marguerite Carmen Suarez-Murias

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Marguerite C. Suarez-Murias was the beloved sister of Edward L. Suarez-Murias, M.D. and his wife Frances (nee Mattheu); dear aunt of Christine, Lawrence, David, Henry, Joseph and Richard Suarez-Murias, Mary Miller, Teresa Merriwether and the late Edward L. Suarez-Murias, Jr. She is also survived by great-nieces and great-nephews.
Born in Havana Cuba, Marguerite spent her early years traveling with her parents before arriving in Baltimore. She graduated from Eastern High School in Baltimore and from Bryn Mawr College in Philadelphia. She was one of the first interpreters for non-English speaking patients at Johns Hopkins Hospital. After receiving a Ph.D. in Spanish Literature from Columbia University in New York, she taught at several colleges and universities in Maryland, the District of Columbia, Wisconsin, and the University of South Africa in Pretoria. She retired from the University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, after serving as Chairman of the Department of Spanish and Portuguese. Marguerite was a lifelong educator, publishing five textbooks and numerous articles about the literature of Hispanic American cultures.
In her lifetime, Marguerite traveled through four continents, swam in three oceans, and touched the lives of all she befriended. Although she never married, she cared deeply for her older brother and his family. Her nieces and nephews remember her teaching them to swim in the ocean, her delicious paella, meat pies, meringuitos, and her rose gardens. Their Tia was a "Renaissance Woman" who spoke three languages fluently, designed two of her homes,

learned to dance ballet from Isadora Duncan, sewed clothes for herself and others, and taught finance to her nieces and nephews. Her great-nieces and great-nephews remember a loving, great, and grand Tia. Marguerite never backed down from speaking her opinion, but also sincerely cared that her students and family succeed in becoming educated and productive individuals in their own right. She supported them in any way she could. Marguerite also raised three faithful German Shepherds. They were her companions as she shepherded others through this life on Earth.rn

Funeral Arrangements

A funeral mass will be offered Thursday, November 11th, at 10 AM in the Lady Chapel of the Cathedral of Mary Our Queen.

Memorial Donation

In lieu of flowers, complete an act of kindness in her memory.

Interment Arrangements

Interment Druid Ridge Cemetery.