



## Marie P Villas

November 13, 1933 - April 3, 2020

Marie P. Villas, know to her loved ones as Philo, passed away peacefully at the age of 86 from diabetic complications and went home to The Lord on April 3, 2020. She was born on November 13, 1933 in Haiti and emigrated to America in 1971 to later proudly become an American citizen and took her civic duties and voting rights seriously. She loved her new home in Brooklyn, New York and lived up to the ideals of America throughout her life.

She married early in life, divorced, and became a devoted single parent. She independently raised her 5 children, 3 sons and 2 daughters, and a young cousin raised as another daughter. She impressed upon each of them the values of faith, family first, education being trans-formative, and strong morals by which they lived. She was blessed to see her children and grandchildren achieve the American Dream as professional involved in medicine, engineering, law, teaching, among others and contribute to this great country of ours. While raising her family, she also cared for her nieces, nephews, sisters, brothers, neighbors, friends, acquaintances and even strangers in need.

As a childcare specialist, she was a part of Dr. & Mrs. Wolf and Mr. & Mrs. Dominic's families to help care for their children. Their families remained close to her over the years, and she cherished their children and grandchildren.

As a loyal and devout practicing Catholic, she exemplified the life of Christianity through her deeds and actions as well as her unconditional love and support to others who have been fortunate to be in her life or cross her path. She would rather go hungry than miss tithing to her church, Holy St. Innocent in Brooklyn, NY and she would give her last dollar to anyone in need without hesitation. Her passion in life was to influence others positively and ease others' pain and suffering to the extent she could. She was witty, loved music, treasured her loved ones, and enjoyed spending time with family and friends over delicious meals, conversations, and laughter.

She always preached others to live their lives in accordance to one of her favorite Bible verses, Ephesians 4:32 - "And be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving one another, just as God also forgave you in Christ." And so, move forward with her legacy to make this world a better place to the extent you can as the fight for social justice, women's rights and equality, and voting rights continues.

Given the restrictions with the current crisis, the funeral service will be limited and held at Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia, Home for Funerals and Cremation Services, Old Bridge NJ on April 14, 2020, with eight (8) people inside at a time. She will be laid to rest at Clover Leaf Memorial Park, Woodbridge, NJ.

In lieu of flowers, please join in the fight for a cure with donations to the Diabetes Research Institute <https://diabetesresearch.org> or American Diabetes Association <https://diabetes.org>

A memorial service honoring her life will be held at a later determined date.

Online condolences may be made to the family at [www.HegartyScaliaFuneralHome.com](http://www.HegartyScaliaFuneralHome.com)



# Cemetery Details

## Cloverleaf Memorial Park

Route 1 & 35  
Woodbridge, NJ 07095

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 14. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals and Cremation Service  
3377 US Highway 9  
Old Bridge, NJ 08857  
(732) 679-4422  
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<https://www.hegartyscaliafuneralhome.com>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Marie P Villas*

October 05, 2023 at 11:16 AM



“ *Good morning everyone I send my sympathies to ms villa's family*

**The neighbor** - April 14, 2020 at 11:29 AM



“ *Ms. Villa had been our name since I was 8 yo. She always has a smile on her face whenever she saw me. She would ask me about my family, say she was proud of me. I appreciated her for that. May she rest in eternal glory!!*

**Marjorie Vail** - April 13, 2020 at 06:51 PM



“ *Manman I never knew you would leave us that fast and that early. you was so good an so fun to me and Josué , you always encourage me to eat before I go lay down after work, and each time you looked at me it's was always a pleasure for you to see me gaining some weight said"you see how good I take care of you" the house is empty without manman Villas, we missed you so much, one thing I know , I will see you again in the eternity, you had a good heart. You'll always be in our mind . I won't hear your voice calling, Moise!!! Moise!! Or Josué!! Josué!! Anymore, it's was so great to know and be there for a great person like you . RIP love you mom*

**Moise Borgella** - April 13, 2020 at 06:41 PM

MM

“ I will remember her as being so proud of all of you and so devoted to you all without a pause. She loved each of you and her love will remain in your hearts forever. My deepest sympathy to all of her children, grandchildren, in-laws and friends. She is at peace and within the soft light of GOD. Prayers for strength.  
Love to all. Lèlène and Family

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**Myrlène Cantave Macera** - April 13, 2020 at 05:05 PM

MC

“ My sincere condolences and prayers to you all, she is going to be missed. Cherish her great memories. My love to you all

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**Marie Cantave** - April 13, 2020 at 04:58 PM

MT

“ my condolences to all of you. Your mom was dear to me we spoke everyday on the phone sometimes twice. She was a cousin and an aunt to me since she was much older. I will always hold her dearly in my heart. I missed her so much already.

*Margarette*

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**Margarette Toussaint** - April 12, 2020 at 10:29 PM

GM

“ *The passing of Matante seems like a very bad dream in which I am trying to wake up from but cannot. I have so many fond memories of Matante several of which has me laughing and feeling like I had the opportunity to engage in a conversation with someone who did not take life for granted. Matante was never shy to tell you things the way she saw it. In fact, the particular trait that I loved about Matante was her ability to keep it real and not sugarcoat anything.*

*I can remember the last time I saw Matante which was less than a year ago. She shared with me that she wasn't feeling well and knew that she was getting ready to be with our father in heaven. Although she was 82 years young, I didn't want to believe that someone who was full of life and vigor would be taken away from us so soon.*

*All that I can say, Matante thank you for opening your home to my sister's and I several times a year when we were younger. Thank you for teaching me about life and preparing me to cope with life lessons.*

*I will miss you dearly and looking forward to seeing you again one day soon.*

*With greatest admiration,*

*Your niece (Mimine)*

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**Genevieve Mondesir** - April 12, 2020 at 12:01 PM