



## Elssy Esther Acosta

November 30, 1960 - June 19, 2010

### Elssy Esther Acosta

Elssy Esther Acosta, 49, born November 30th 1960, in Medellin Colombia, was called home on Saturday, June 19th, 2010. Elssy led an extraordinary life. At only five years of age, Elssy was enrolled in the school of arts where she found her greatest interest in piano. She received her degree at the School of Fine Arts in Music and worked at a Montessori school as a music teacher. She moved to the United States in 1981 and settled in San Antonio where she has lived since 1983. Elssy continued to teach piano and opened her own studio. She met her husband Ron in 1997 and they married nine months later. Elssy was instrumental in helping Ron grow Las Palapas from 4 to 11 locations. In 1999, Ron and Elssy established the Jireh Foundation which was started from a scripture her mother gave her and Ron during their courtship, "Pure and true religion is to help orphans and widows in their time of need." Since its inception, the Jireh Foundation has financially assisted orphans and widows in San Antonio, and other US cities, as well as in Mexico, Central and South America. This was a natural fit for Elssy who loved people and loved serving others more than anything else. Even during her 3-year battle with cancer, Elssy self-lessly focused on others looking to help in whatever way she could. Elssy's strength came from her family and from her relationship with the Lord, "Jehovah, is the fortress of my life." Elssy is survived by her husband Ron, her Mother Maria Lucy Londono, Father, Guillermo Londono, her two sisters, Ruth Madrid and Lucy Beshears; children, Aaron Acosta, Matthew Acosta, Joshua

Acosta, Ashlynn Acosta; grandchildren, Jeremy and Zachary; nephews, Mauricio, Sammy, Pablo and niece Natalia. A service celebrating Elssy's life will be held Wednesday, June 23rd from 6 pm to 9 pm at Mission Park Funeral Chapels North 3401 Cherry Ridge Street, 78230, 210.349.1414. The funeral service will be held Thursday, June 24th at 10:30, at Cornerstone Church Main Sanctuary, 18755 Stone Oak Parkway, San Antonio, Texas. In lieu of flowers, donations can be sent to the Jireh Foundation, 12042 Blanco Road #112, SA 78216.

# Tribute Wall

RE

“ *My deepest sympathy for the family. During this difficult time, may you reflect on the Holy Scriptures comforting promises. One day soon, “no resident will say: I am sick” - Isaiah chapter 33 verse 24. We yearn to see our dear loved ones agai*

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**Rena** - July 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ *Acosta family, I am so sorry for your loss, and my thoughts and prayers are with you and your loved ones in this time.*

*Elssy was my piano teachers for several years when I was a small child, and she was always inspirational. She will be missed, but I*

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**Bob Wilson** - July 11, 2010 at 12:00 AM

VA

“ *Dear Acosta Family,  
May each of you find comfort in knowing that "Jehovah is near to those that are broken at heart; and those who are crushed in spiri the saves." Psalm 34;18 He has promised to soon "swallow up death forever...and wipe the tears from*

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**valerie** - July 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ *Mr. Acosta & Family  
Sorry for your loss. Elssy was a nice lady. May god Bless you and your family. My thoughts and prayer are with you all.*

*Minnie  
HealthCheck USA*

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**Minnie Suniga** - June 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ Charlie, Rhonda Gurinsky and the all the sales associates from Gurinsky Jewelers will miss Elssy. She was a bright shining light every time she came in the store and we will miss her smile and joy.

Rhonda Gurinsky - June 27, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ Ron, we are deeply sorry for your loss. We enjoyed our moments with both of you. She was a beautiful and caring woman. We will miss her. May God Bless You and your family and may He grant you peace and comfort; and, to all those who were touched by he

Cleo and Brenda Bustamante - June 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RE

“ My deepest sympathy for your loss. May this promise found in the Bible bring comfort and peace at such difficult time. Jesus promises, "the hour is coming in which all those in the memorial tombs will hear his voice and come out" - John chapter 5 verses 28

Rena - June 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ The Quinones sisters at Jacala have such fond memories of a lady that was as beautiful on the inside as she was on the outside. She exuded kindness every time we were with her. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family. May she rest in the peace she ea

Lucille Hooker - June 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ We wish to express our condolences to the Acosta family and the Longono family. We met and visited with Elssy when she was helping out at the West Ave Las Palapas. She was always gracious and was a lovely lady.

Sincerely,  
Donn & Carol Kraft

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**Donn & Carol Kraft** - June 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ Ron we are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. God bless you. Martha, Salena and Marisa

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**Martha O. Johnson** - June 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ My heart is truly broken for Elssy's death. I know she is rejoicing with the Lord as I write, but to lose her vibrance in this world is a tragedy. I will never forget her grace. She helped my husband and I thru a very difficult cancer trial. The Acost

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**jennifer jennings brincat** - June 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ Our hearts go out to your family during this difficult time. Elssy was a truly beautiful person in all ways. We'll never forget all that Elssy and Ron did for our family during Timothy's illness. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Love, Kevin

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**Kevin and Sandy Solterman** - June 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ We were so sorry to hear of Elssy's passing. We know she is truly celebrating in heaven. What a beautiful example of love she has been to all who knew, met and loved her. God Bless your family during this time and always.

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**Michael & Kathy Solterman** - June 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ My heart goes out to you, but you must realize that God's plan for Elssy is done here. She will go to A better place without pain to rest. I would like to pray for the ones left behind, because they have the pain now! My Love and wishes for those left behind.

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**Ray Crockett** - June 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LA

“ Ron, Aaron, Mathew, Ashlynn & Joshua.  
I am so sorry for your loss. I was fortunate to have met Elssy during the time that you, Ron, were in the process of receiving the Small Business of the year award and she was a sweet, caring and beautiful individual

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**Lucy Campos Agueros** - June 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ RON I am so sorry for your loss. If theres any thing I can do please call. Ron you and the kids are in my prayers now and always. Elssy was a very beautiful and kind lady.

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**mel arsate** - June 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ Ron, we're so sorry for your loss. Elssy was a beautiful women, with a beautiful heart.

*Claire and Gene Larsen*

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**Gene and Claire Larsen** - June 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JU

“ Ron,I did not know your wife but i know alot of people from Las palapas and go their alot so i hope and pray for you and your family I'm her age and have had cancer before God bless you and your family

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**Juanita** - June 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Ron, we are deeply sorry for your loss. May the Good Lord be with you and comfort you.

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**JUAN & OLGA CORONADO** - June 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ Dear Family of Mrs. Elssy Esther Acosta:

*Please allow me to extend my sincere and deepest condolences regarding the loss of your dearest loved one. I lost my beloved father January 2000; he lost his battle to cancer. Although it has been ten years, it*

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**LFF** - June 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM