



Jose Modesto Rios Nieves

February 12, 1939 - April 9, 2026

José Modesto Rios, age 87, passed away peacefully at home on April 9, 2026. He was born on February 12, 1939, in Vega Baja, Puerto Rico.

At a young age, Modesto moved to the United States, first to New York and later settling in Holland, Michigan, alongside his brother, Ramon Rios. A hardworking and dedicated man, he began working at just 15 years old. He spent many years in the workforce, including employment with Heinz, and later retired from Nabisco Lifesavers.

Modesto shared a beautiful and enduring marriage of 66 years with his beloved wife, Elena Espinoza. Together, they built a strong and loving family. He was a proud and devoted father to his three children: José Modesto Rios Jr. (wife Maria), Miguel Rios (wife Yolanda), and Angie Rios.

He leaves behind a legacy of love through his six grandchildren, thirteen great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren, all of whom brought him immense joy and pride.

Modesto will be remembered as a devoted husband, a loving father and grandfather, and a man of deep faith who loved the Lord. His strength, kindness, and unwavering dedication to his family will never be forgotten.

He will be deeply missed and forever cherished by all who knew and loved him.

Funeral services will be 11:00 am, Tuesday, April 14, 2026, at Ebenezer Spanish Assemblies of God, 157 W. 10th St. Holland. Burial will be in Pilgrim Home Cemetery. Visitation will be from 10:00 a.m. until 10:45 a.m. prior to the service at the church. Memorial contributions may be given to the Red Cross.

Cemetery Details

Pilgrim Home Cemetery

370 E 16th St.
Holland, MI 49423

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **14**. 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM (ET)

Ebenezer Spanish Assemblies of God
157 West 10th St.
Holland, MI 49423

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ Grandpa are deeply missed ... we love u wish we could've been there for u but u know now! You are at peace with grandma 🙏



Roxanne Phanthourath - April 15 at 12:39 PM

BC

“ Becky/Terry Carroll lit a candle in memory of Jose Modesto Rios Nieves



Becky/Terry Carroll - April 14 at 08:44 PM

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“ Love Mita and family purchased the Pure Heart for the family of Jose Modesto Rios Nieves.



Love Mita and family - April 11 at 09:04 PM