

January 8, 1939 ~ July 17, 2025

Claudina Saballa Lopez

Claudina Saballa Lopez, beloved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and great-great-grandmother, passed away peacefully surrounded by her loved ones in her home in Tracy, California, on July 17, 2025, at the age of 86.

Claudina was born on January 8, 1939, in Honolulu, Hawaii, the second eldest of the five Saballa sisters. Growing up as a proud native Hawaiian, she cherished the native Hawaiian culture, the ocean — swimming and cliff jumping were among her favorite pastimes.



At the young age of 16, Claudina met the love of her life, Jose Lopez, who was stationed in Oahu while returning home after proudly serving his country in the Korean War. The two shared an immediate connection and were married just one week after meeting — a love story that would span decades and build a beautiful family legacy.

She left Hawaii and made her home in her new husband's home town of Tracy, California, where her kind spirit and nurturing nature led her to work as a teacher's aide at Jefferson Elementary School.

Claudina had a deep love for crafting, but her greatest joy came from cooking. Her Hawaiian and Filipino dishes brought warmth, comfort, and togetherness to every family gathering.

To Claudina, her family was her greatest achievement. She is survived by her four children, ten grandchildren, twelve great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren — one of whom shares her birthday, a bond she cherished dearly.

Claudina's life was a testament to love, devotion, and selflessness. Her legacy lives on through the countless lives she touched and the family she held so dear. She will be missed beyond measure and remembered with eternal love.

Visitation will be held at Fry Memorial Chapel 550 S. Central Avenue, Tracy, CA on Thursday, August 7th from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Rosary and Prayer service will be on Friday, August 8th at 10:00 a.m.

Burial will take place after the service at Tracy Public Cemetery.