



## Petra Santiago-Gomez

April 3, 1921 - October 31, 2023

Petra Albina “Elvira” Santiago-Gomez de Pieretti, 102 ½, beloved mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, of St. Johns, Florida, went to be with her heavenly Lord on October 31, 2023. She was born in Yauco, Puerto Rico, April 3, 1921, and lived there until moving to Pennsylvania in 2004. She later moved to Florida in 2006. She was a member of the San Sebastian Catholic Church.

Elvira is preceded in death by her husband Abraham Pieretti, brother Iran Santiago, and sisters Esmeralda Torres and Rosalia Santiago-Gomez.

She is survived by siblings Josefina Santiago and Eli Santiago of Florida, Monserrate “Monsita” Orengo of Puerto Rico, and Carmen Santiago of Florida; her children Wilson Pieretti and Elionais “Johnny” Pieretti of Pennsylvania, Edwin Pieretti of New Jersey, Fredolinda “Edith” Martinez of Puerto Rico, Bethwell “Pito” Pieretti of New Jersey, Nydia Matteu and Lydia Chavez of Florida; 14 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

Elvira grew up in the mountains of Yauco in Barrio Duey. She met her husband Abraham in her early 20s and were married in the early 1940s. Then they moved to Barrio Sierra Alta.

The couple followed in their families’ footsteps and became farmers

themselves. They grew coffee, oranges, and a small variety of crops. Their family grew quickly as they established a successful career as farmers.

For a woman who lived to be a centenarian, Elvira saw many changes in life. Regardless, she remained a modest woman who was devoted to faith and family. Elvira worked hard and was forever grateful for what she had. One of her most cherished memories, aside from her family, was a small garden she tended. In it grew a variety of flowers, fruits, and white and dark red roses. Elvira was a soft-spoken woman who loved fiercely and lived by the word of the Lord.

Her family invites you to celebrate the incredible life of Petra “Elvira” Santiago-Gomez-Pieretti on Saturday, November 4, at the St. Johns Family Funeral Home. Viewing will begin at 11 a.m. followed by services at 1:00 p.m.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 4. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

ST JOHNS FAMILY FUNERAL HOME  
385 State Rd 207  
St. Augustine, FL 32084

## Funeral Service

NOV 4. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *St. Johns Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Petra Santiago-Gomez*



**St. Johns Family Funeral Home** - November 03, 2023 at 02:46 PM

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“ *Gretchen and Thomas Johns purchased the Butterfly Whispers - Musical Water Globe for the family of Petra Santiago-Gomez.*



**Gretchen and Thomas Johns** - November 03, 2023 at 04:19 PM



“ *68 files added to the album Life Tributes*



**St. Johns Family Funeral Home** - November 03, 2023 at 12:55 PM

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“ Angie, Jamie, Sophie and Finley Skipper planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Petra Santiago-Gomez.

Angie, Jamie, Sophie and Finley Skipper - November 03, 2023 at 08:48 AM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Petra Santiago-Gomez.



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