



Rev. Oscar Manuel Lopez

March 23, 1955 - November 30, 2022

Rev. Oscar Manuel López, Jr. of Denton, MD, passed away November 30, 2022. He was 67. Oscar was born March 23, 1955, in Florida, Camaguey, Cuba, the son of Oscar Manuel López and Amelia Guerra López and older brother to Ludy López.

Oscar came to America with his parents in 1957 and settled in Hialeah, FL. He graduated from Miami Springs High School in 1974, then graduated from Toccoa Falls College in GA in 1978 with a Bachelor's degree in Missiology. He married Pamela McCrary on July 23, 1977. In 1980, he became a naturalized United States citizen. Also in 1980, he and Pamela, along with their daughter Andrea, went to Pucallpa, Peru as missionaries. While in Pucallpa, Oscar founded and taught at the Instituto Biblico de Pucallpa, a school to prepare Peruvian Christian ministers.

Oscar took many canoe trips on the Ucayali River into the jungle interior, teaching the Shipibo people about Jesus. Oscar, Pamela, and their daughters Andrea, Alicia, and Amelia returned to the States in 1984. In 1985, Oscar became a United Methodist minister and was appointed to Asbury/Cokesbury/Tome charge in Port Deposit, MD. He received a Master of Divinity from Lancaster Theological Seminary in PA, focusing on Hebrew and Greek, and a Master of Arts in Pastoral Counseling from St. Thomas of Villanova University in Miami, FL. Oscar was ordained a full elder in the

United Methodist Church in 1990. Also in 1990, he was appointed to the Grasonville Immanuel Charge, where he served as “Reverend Oscar” for 28 years until his retirement in 2018.

Oscar enjoyed gardening (and sharing his tomato plants with his family), working on vehicles (he restored a 1952 Chevrolet pickup truck), playing the guitar, studying finance and investments, and being Abuelo/Abu to his 7 grandchildren.

Oscar and Pamela were married 45 years; Pamela was the love of his life. They had three daughters: Andrea López Burns (husband Nate, children Seth, Lucas, Audrey); Alicia López Raburn (husband George, child Silas); Amelia López VanSant (husband Nathaniel, children Bryson, Chase, Tanner). He is also survived by his sister, Ludy López, and his niece, Nataly López Cano.

A visitation will be held on Tuesday, December 6, 2022, at Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home in Centreville, MD from 5PM-7PM with the service to be held on Wednesday, December 7, 2022, at 11AM.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 6. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A.
408 S. Liberty Street
Centreville, MD 21617

Funeral Service

DEC 7. 11:00 AM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A.
408 S. Liberty Street
Centreville, MD 21617

Tribute Wall



“ Hi. My name is Demosthenes Valera. Oscar was our neighbor in Pucallpa city when I was a child. Please, I want to contact his family to include in my next book about the good missionaries.

Demosthenes Valera - March 30, 2024 at 11:38 PM



“ Rev. Oscar Manuel Lopez

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ Rev. Oscar Manuel Lopez

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ Rev. Oscar Manuel Lopez

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ Reverend Oscar was the definition of a servant of the Lord. He preached with love in heart and always showed compassion and respect to everyone.

Kristen Weinstein - December 18, 2022 at 03:29 PM

TO

“ Rev. Oscar gave the BEST Sermons Ever! He knew his scriptures and how to relate them to me. Great Man and a Gentleman. Prayers to Oscar's family. Keep those Good memories and know that he made a difference. God Bless!

Terry Ober - December 13, 2022 at 01:56 PM

RH

“ Rev. Oscar Lopez, was one of the first people to welcome me and my family into the pastoral ministry as the Chairperson of the District Committee On Ministry. I am grateful for his friendship and the mentoring he gave me. I will miss him. God bless his family.

Reverend Dartanyon Hines - December 07, 2022 at 02:05 PM

KC

“ Dear Lopez family,
We are saddened to hear of Rev Oscar's passing. He was very good to our mother and grandmother, Polly Baker and us as well.
You are in our thoughts and prayers.
The family of Polly Baker



Karen L Colley - December 05, 2022 at 07:21 PM

JC

“ Johnny And Diana Cohee lit a candle in memory of Rev. Oscar Manuel Lopez



Johnny and Diana Cohee - December 05, 2022 at 12:29 PM

DB

“ Bill and I were so sorry to hear that Rev. Oscar passed. He was not only our Pastor he was also a good friend. He performed the marriage ceremony for our daughter Ginger, nephew Will and niece Mandi. When we needed people to help repair homes through Christmas in April, later renamed Rebuilding Together, he was instrumental in having Immanuel United Methodist Church participate. Bill would get tickled when Oscar showed up for work with his overhauls and work belt on, anxious to do whatever needed to be done. He put in a full day's work with the rest of us. Oscar loved his family, his congregation, his Church and God. Through Oscar, our faith has grown. He will always be remembered as the true guiding light in our lives forever.
Donna Blankenship



Donna Blankenship - December 04, 2022 at 09:30 PM

RH

I thank our Heavenly Father, for the bond we shared as colleague's in the Pen-Del Conference, in the Easton District. Blessings to each of you, I am here for you, peace and faith, Rev Alice A. Hutchins.

Rev. Alice A. Hutchins - December 05, 2022 at 12:52 PM

DB

“ Donna and Bill Blankenship purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Rev. Oscar Manuel Lopez.



Donna and Bill Blankenship - December 04, 2022 at 08:49 PM



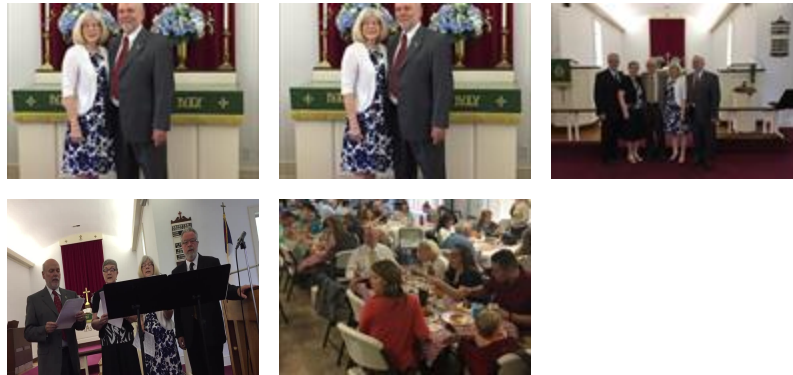
“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rev. Oscar Manuel Lopez.*



December 04, 2022 at 06:57 PM



“ *22 files added to the album RevOscar@IUMC*



Jo Hill-Kittle - December 04, 2022 at 03:28 PM



“ *We come over to the USA often to celebrate Thanksgiving with our daughter, Jo, and husband, Brian, and it was always a joy to share worship with Rev. Oscar and the congregation of Immanuel United Methodist Church. He always showed interest and love when we spoke together at the end of the service. We remember him as a wonderful joyous person. Anthea and Jake Hill, England.*

Anthea Hill - December 04, 2022 at 08:46 AM



And it was a very special moment when we witnessed him Blessing Jo and Brian's marriage.

Anthea Hill - December 04, 2022 at 08:49 AM

LL

“ Lynn And John Ludwig lit a candle in memory of Rev. Oscar Manuel Lopez



Lynn and John Ludwig - December 03, 2022 at 10:42 PM

DE

“ Rev. Oscar married my wife Katherine and I, 28 years ago. He was really good to our entire family. God Bless Rev. Oscar!

Dan Ewing - December 03, 2022 at 07:19 PM

JA

“ Janet Akers lit a candle in memory of Rev. Oscar Manuel Lopez



Janet Akers - December 03, 2022 at 03:08 PM

EG

“ Ed, Sally, Jake, Jessica , Paul and Gen purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Rev. Oscar Manuel Lopez.



Ed, Sally, Jake, Jessica , Paul and Gen - December 03, 2022 at 01:32 PM

HB

“ So sorry to hear of Rev. Oscars passing. Way to soon at his age. Rev Oscar and I found ourselves at a few weddings and funerals that we were neither very connected to the families. We always sat together and chatted about life and church. He made you feel comfortable in any situation. To his family, so sorry for your loss.

Holly Baker - December 03, 2022 at 09:57 AM

KR

“ Karen Reed lit a candle in memory of Rev. Oscar Manuel Lopez



Karen Reed - December 03, 2022 at 08:08 AM

KR

“ I am so sadden to hear about Rev. Lopez's passing. When he was Pastor at Gransonville UMC he would stop in to see Rev. Gary Moore here at St. Marks UMC. I helped when his daughter Amelia López VanSant married in our church. My prayers for peace and comfort for his family during their loss.

Karen Reed - December 03, 2022 at 08:08 AM

GO

“ Heaven has gained another angel, God Bless the life of Oscar Lopez!



George O'Donnell - December 03, 2022 at 07:26 AM

KF

“ Kari Farnell lit a candle in memory of Rev. Oscar Manuel Lopez



Kari Farnell - December 02, 2022 at 08:59 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rev. Oscar Manuel Lopez.



December 02, 2022 at 08:36 PM

LF

“ Lillian Frey lit a candle in memory of Rev. Oscar Manuel Lopez



Lillian Frey - December 02, 2022 at 07:21 PM

MA

“ Matt, Kristal, Luke, Vada & Sawyer Abrams lit a candle in memory of Oscar Lopez



Matt, Kristal, Luke, Vada & Sawyer Abrams - December 02, 2022 at 02:05 PM