

# Brooks Funeral Home

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## Evangelista DeJesus

( February 27, 1915 - October 14, 2022 )

*Evangelista "Jennie" DeJesus*

*Newburgh, NY*

*February 27, 1915 – October 14, 2022*

*Jennie DeJesus of Newburgh, NY  
went home with the Lord on*

*October 14, 2022. She was the daughter of  
the late Anicasio and Basilia Gomez Benejan, she was born  
February 27, 1915, in Arecibo, Puerto Rico.*

*She married her husband, the late Manuel B. DeJesus on June 1,  
1935.*

*Jennie loved the Lord; she was a strong woman of God who  
served him over 90 years. She was a devoted  
member of the well-known church in New York City “La  
Sinagoga Church”, where she was married and  
studied in the Bible Institute. She traveled to Mexico as a  
Missionary. In 1963, Jennie and her husband  
decided to move to Walden, New York. Jennie then attended First  
Spanish Assembly of God Church in  
Newburgh, NY until she transferred to Newburgh Assembly of  
God, now Crossroads A/G.*

*She became very proud and happy when her grandson Manuel  
Montalvo (Pastor Manny) became her  
Pastor. In all three churches she was very busy for the Lord.  
Jennie taught Sunday School, where she was a  
Deacon, involved in Women’s Ministries, she would visit the  
sick at St. Luke’s Hospital and the sick at home  
with her dear friends Sis. Veronica Khare, the late Sis. Betty  
Steven and Sis. Yma Sarvois. She was dedicated to  
the church prayer team directed by Sis Marge Mc Kinley and Sis.  
Emily Burke. She loved her special church  
friends, Sis. Millie Baez, Sis. Evelyn Rivera, Sis. Conchita and  
the late Sis. Mary Benitez.*

*She would open her home on Sundays after church to the youth  
and young adults and cook for them.*

*Jennie survived Pancreatic Cancer in 2001 at the age of 86. She  
would thank God for, Dr. Stephen Lazar, Dr.  
Seth Levin and the medical team at Westchester Medical Center  
including David Ramos, the nurse who  
attended to her in the hospital and whom she knew since he was  
an infant.*



*After her husband, Manuel passed away, Jennie went to work at the Eastern Orange County Head start. She worked there for several year until 1994 where she was given a recognition. She was a foster grandma for the pre-k students.*

*Jennie was the matriarch of our family. She had five children, Manuel DeJesus Jr. (Esperanza) Ruben DeJesus (Millie) John DeJesus (Penelope) and her ex-daughter-in-law, Ines DeJesus Matthews, Joel DeJesus and the only daughter Yvonne DeJesus Mojica (Justino, aka Junior). She had 17 Grandchildren, Debbie Scudroni (Claudio), Richard DeJesus (Jennifer), Stephen DeJesus (Luisa), ex-grand-daughter by marriage, Bre De Jesus, Mayra DeJesus, Loyda DeJesus (Joe), Ludmilla Plenty (Robert), John DeJesus Jr., Pastor Manny Montalvo (Alexa), Celina De Jesus and Elia DeJesus. Foster grandchildren; Debbie, Angie and Peter Benjamin. Step grandchildren; Danny Mojica (Sheila), Billy Mojica, Andy Mojica (Eva) and Debbie Perez (Jeff). She had 30 great-grandchildren and 26 great-great-grandchildren. These included foster and step, which she loved very much. She loved her grand doggie, Milo Montalvo. Jennie was known as Grandma or Nana by the grandchildren or great-grandchildren Jennie also has many nieces, nephews, which include great and great-great nieces and nephews. We joke around that her "Benejan family" will never be extinct. She is also survived by her sister-in-law, Carmin Benejan, widow of Jennie's youngest brother, Frank (Pancho).*

*She is predeceased by her husband Manuel DeJesus, sons Manuel DeJesus Jr and John DeJesus. Her parents, all her brothers and sisters and other family members.*

*On behalf of our family, we want to thank the aides that took great care of her, Community Homecare and Evercare for always helping to make sure we had the coverage.*

*We truly appreciated all the help.*

*Jennie was a wonderful and beautiful woman of God who loved to spread the Love of God and share God all the way until the Lord called her home. She was loved by many.*

*Visitation on Friday evening and the Funeral Service on Saturday will be held at Crossroads Assembly of God,*

*7 D'Alfonso Road, Newburgh, NY 12550. Visitation will be Friday, October 28, 2022; 5-8pm.*

*Saturday, October 29 will be a private viewing for family at 9am and Homegoing Celebration Service at 10am.*

*As per Jennie's wishes, in lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Crossroads Assembly of God,*

*7 D'Alfonso Road, Newburgh, NY 12550. She loved her church  
very much.*