



Pablo (Paul) "Chuy" Lopez

October 30, 1930 - January 15, 2026

Pablo (Paul) Lopez, lovingly known as "Chuy" to his close friends, age 95, passed away on January 15, 2026, in Fruitland Park, Florida.

Born in Villa Hidalgo, San Luis Potosí, Mexico, Pablo lived a remarkable life defined by hard work, perseverance, devotion to family, and a deep and abiding faith. Proud of his heritage, he carried his values and life lessons with him and shared them generously with those around him.

Pablo began his career as a school teacher in Mexico, where he taught kindergarten through twelfth grade in a single classroom, leaving a lasting impact on countless students. After moving to the United States, he settled in Chicago, where he met the love of his life, Barbara, and together they built a life rooted in love, faith, and family. He later retired from the Chicago Northwestern Railroad. A true jack of all trades, Pablo lived a life full of stories—from driving an ox cart in his youth to working with the judicial system tracking down individuals for court matters.

He was deeply loved for his storytelling, his "get up and go," and his boundless energy. Fondly referred to as the "Energizer Bunny," Pablo simply kept going. He was a simple man whose faith guided his life, and whose generous spirit brought warmth, wisdom, and laughter to those around him.

He was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Barbara Lopez; his father, Pablo Lopez Marquez Jr.; his mother, Andrea Tovas Torres de Lopez; and his sister, Valeria Lopez Mata.

He is survived by his son Vincent Lopez and his wife Tina; his daughter Denise Gonzalez and her husband Danny; his grandchildren Amanda Lopez, Alec Lopez, Alyssa Lopez, Cecilia Vesper and her husband Jonathan, and Zachary Gonzalez; his great-grandson Maverick Lopez; and his nephews Dave Mata-Lopez and Juan Mata-Lopez, and his niece Maria Mata-Lopez.

A Catholic Mass will be held on February 12, 2026, at 8:30 a.m. at St. Paul Catholic Church, 1330 Sunshine Avenue, Leesburg, Florida. A graveside service will immediately follow at Lone Oak Cemetery, 306 Thomas Avenue, Leesburg, Florida.

Arrangements entrusted to Beyers Funeral Home of Leesburg, Florida.

Pablo (Paul) Lopez, conocido cariñosamente como “Chuy” por sus amigos cercanos, a los 95 años, falleció el 15 de enero de 2026 en Fruitland Park, Florida.

Nacido en Villa Hidalgo, San Luis Potosí, México, Pablo vivió una vida extraordinaria marcada por el trabajo arduo, la perseverancia, la devoción a su familia y una fe profunda e inquebrantable. Orgulloso de sus raíces, llevó consigo sus valores y enseñanzas de vida, compartiéndolos generosamente con todos los que lo rodeaban.

Pablo inició su carrera como maestro en México, donde enseñó desde kínder

hasta el doceavo grado en un solo salón, dejando una huella duradera en innumerables estudiantes. Después de mudarse a los Estados Unidos, se estableció en Chicago, donde conoció al amor de su vida, Barbara, y juntos construyeron una vida basada en el amor, la fe y la familia. Más adelante, se jubiló del ferrocarril Chicago Northwestern. Verdadero todólogo, Pablo vivió una vida llena de historias, desde conducir una carreta tirada por bueyes en su juventud hasta trabajar con el sistema judicial localizando personas para comparecer ante la corte.

Fue profundamente querido por su manera de contar historias, su energía incansable y su espíritu siempre activo. Con cariño era conocido como el “conejito Energizer”, porque simplemente nunca se detenía. Fue un hombre sencillo, cuya fe guió su vida, y cuyo espíritu generoso brindó calidez, sabiduría y alegría a todos los que lo conocieron.

Le precedieron en la muerte su amada esposa, Barbara Lopez; su padre, Pablo Lopez Marquez Jr.; su madre, Andrea Tovias Torres de Lopez; y su hermana, Valeria Lopez Mata.

Le sobreviven su hijo Vincent Lopez y su esposa Tina; su hija Denise Gonzalez y su esposo Danny; sus nietos Amanda Lopez, Alec Lopez, Alyssa Lopez, Cecilia Vesper y su esposo Jonathan, y Zachary Gonzalez; su bisnieto Maverick Lopez; y sus sobrinos Dave Mata-Lopez, Juan Mata-Lopez, y su sobrina Maria Mata-Lopez.

La Santa Misa Católica se celebrará el 12 de febrero de 2026 a las 8:30 a.m. en la Iglesia Católica St. Paul, ubicada en 1330 Sunshine Avenue, Leesburg, Florida. El servicio junto a la tumba se llevará a cabo inmediatamente después en el Cementerio Lone Oak, 306 Thomas Avenue, Leesburg, Florida.

Los trámites funerarios están a cargo de la funeraria Beyers Funeral Home de Leesburg, Florida.

Cemetery Details

Lone Oak Cemetery

306 Thomas Avenue
Leesburg, FL 34748

Previous Events

Catholic Mass

FEB 12. 8:30 AM (ET)

St. Paul Catholic Church
1330 Sunshine Ave
Leesburg, FL 34748

Tribute Wall

TF

“ *The Glowinski Family. purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Pablo (Paul) "Chuy" Lopez.*



The Glowinski Family. - February 06 at 04:32 PM

LB

“ *Pablo was always so kind to me when I would be over at the house. He treated me like family. He always had inspirational thoughts he'd share with Denise and I. May you find comfort in your loving memories of him.*

Lauri Benson - January 25 at 08:50 PM

JF

“ *Jodi Grega and family purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Pablo (Paul) "Chuy" Lopez.*



Jodi Grega and family - January 20 at 02:59 PM

JF

“ *Jodi Grega and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Pablo (Paul) "Chuy" Lopez.*

Jodi Grega and family - January 20 at 02:59 PM

GG

“ Grace & Jacob Glowinski purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Pablo (Paul) "Chuy" Lopez.



Grace & Jacob Glowinski - January 20 at 01:51 PM

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“ Grace & Jacob Glowinski planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Pablo (Paul) "Chuy" Lopez.

Grace & Jacob Glowinski - January 20 at 01:51 PM

SF

“ Shirley Murray and family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Pablo (Paul) "Chuy" Lopez.



Shirley Murray and family - January 20 at 12:19 PM

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“ Shirley Murray and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Pablo (Paul) "Chuy" Lopez.

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