



## Alma Antonia Acosta

October 28, 1987 - January 19, 2010

In Loving Memory Alma A. Acosta Alma Antonia Acosta was born the daughter of Guillermo, and Vicki (King) Acosta on Wednesday, October 28, 1987 in Newberg, Oregon. Alma graduated Newberg High School in 2006 and was in her 3rd year at Portland State University, where she was majoring in international studies and economic development. In her heart she wanted to help the poor in poverty stricken countries of South America. Alma will be remembered always, for her smile, big heart, energy, and beauty. Alma enjoyed time with her family, traveling, music of all kinds, and dancing. Alma's life was blessed with a one year Rotary exchange to Recife, Brazil. She learned to love everything about the Brazilian culture, where she studied Portuguese. Alma's life will forever be cherished and remembered. The way she lit up a room with her presence will never be forgotten. Her spirit will continue to live with us and in Andres. Surviving and left to honor her life are: Her son, Andres Acosta of Newberg; parents, Guillermo and Vicki Acosta of Newberg; five sisters, Luz Elena Martinez of Forest Grove, Alta Acosta-Carter of Irvine, CA, Maria, Michelle, and Olivia Acosta of Newberg; two brothers, William Acosta of Phoenix, AR and Gabriel Acosta of Newberg and those who have come to know and appreciate her where she has lived and worked. Her Rosary will be Friday, January 22, 2010, 6:00 p.m. in Attrell's Newberg Funeral Chapel. Her Funeral Mass will be Saturday, January 23, 2010, 11:30 a.m. in St. Peter Catholic Church, Newberg, Oregon with Father Don Gutmann officiating. Online condolences may be made at [www.attrells.co](http://www.attrells.co)

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# Tribute Wall

VF

“ Dear Acosta Family, Our prayers have been with you ever since we heard about Alma. It is hard to imagine your sorrow at this time. We will continue to keep you in our prayers. I thought I heard that a fund was set up for donations; however, I have not found where that is. If there is a fund set up for Alma's son or funeral expenses, please let us know. We would like to help. In Christ, Vicki, Manfred, Twila and Heidi

Vicki Tschan and Family - February 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ Alma came to the airport to welcome our Foreign Exchange Student, Miguel Isoni from Brazil in 2006. She and Miguel interacted on occasion the year he was here at Rotary events and Brazilian gatherings. She made a sign that she held at the airport in Portuguese to welcome Miguel. I still still have it hanging in his bedroom, as we grew to love him as our own son and we keep in touch weekly. He and his sister, Luana Isoni are grieving Alma's homegoing. Her son is a beautiful boy and I am praying for him especially during this loss. I lost my father at age 6, so I know his pain.

Caroline Buchanan - January 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ Deus esta feliz com a sua chegada junto a ele. Para aqueles que ficaram, familiares, amigos, vamos nos lembrar sempre de você com aquele sorriso lindo seu. Eternas saudades. Mayara Rodrigues - Recife/Brasil

MAYARA RODRIGUES - January 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

NW

“ Vicky--I wanted you to know I am so sorry for your loss. My heart aches for you and your family. May you come to know God's peace during this hard time. Warmly, Nancy Wentworth

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**Nancy Wentworth** - January 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RN

“ I never had the honor of meeting Alma, but was a first responder on January 19th. I am writing this to offer my sincere condolences to an incredible family. I am from a large family as well and felt connected to the grief that day. In my professional realm I am not allowed to say certain things, but wanted you to know that I prayed for Alma and for her sweet son, Andres. God Bless you all!

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**Renae Nylander** - January 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ Dear Acosta family, Please accept our most heartfelt condolences on the loss of your beautiful daughter and sister. Bless you. Tony & Alex Carrasco

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**Tony Carrasco** - January 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

FG

“ Our deepest sympathies on the loss of your daughter, Alma. A promising life cut so short. We will pray for the family and for Alma.

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**Faith and Ian Gerstel** - January 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DE

“ I went to school with both Maria and Alma. I swear Alma was always smiling, and could light up any room she walked into. I have this poem I wrote for my sister in law when her best friend past away and I want to share it with you, Life is like the sun shining down Even in the worst of times, We should remember to make the best, Of what God as blessed us with, Life Again I am so very sorry for your loss, the world lost a little piece of sunshine. God Bless Deana

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**Deana** - January 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ The Acosta Family: Please accept my deepest sympathy in the loss of Alma. God Bless your family.

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**Janis Bowlby** - January 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM

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“ My heart goes out to your family and you will continue to be in my thoughts and prayers. Alma was a life lost too soon, now she's in Gods arms watching over her son and your family. I did not know Alma well, but to know your family has been a blessing and I am so glad I can call Will my friend. Andres could not be part of a better family, I'm sure Alma is smiling down on all of you. May God Bless you all - Becky

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**Becky Thomas (Kronewitter)** - January 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CK

“ I am so sorry to hear of your loss! Alma was a wonderful young person and I am happy to have known her. She didn't always say a lot, but radiated warmth and joy to those around her. Love and prayers, Carol Kelley

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**Carol Kelley** - January 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ *Maria and family: My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. It is comforting to me to know that you are not alone right now. I wish you strength in your heartbreak. I wish you joy in your memories of your dear sister. I wish you well. With my sincere sorrow and hope, Debbie Diehm*

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**Debbie Diehm** - January 22, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ *Dear Mr and Mrs Acosta~ I had the great oportunity to befriend your daughter Alta several years ago, during a fitness bootcamp where she was an instructor. Over the years, she has shared many stories about you, and about her sister Alma. You have such an amazing, close-knt family! I know grief can be an incredibly burden on one's heart. You have many who will gladly share that burden with you. Alma had such a radiant smile--a smile that comes from someone who knew she was loved. May that radiant smile remain uppermost in your thoughts through the dark days ahead. Her smile will light the way, as will God's love. Alta, my friend, you have come to mean so much to me. I have completely turned my life around, insofar as living a healthy life, and I couldn't have done it without your help. I know how much you loved Alma (the way you love your entire family). They are your gift, as you are their gift. Stay strong, and know that your strength and love will help those around you. Lilo and Lil' Guy send love and kisses to you all, too! I am taking good care of them for you. Love, Cathy*

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**Cathy Cross** - January 22, 2010 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Dear Acosta Family: We are so very sorry for the loss of your beautiful daughter, Alma. Our hearts, thoughts, prayers and loving wishes are with your entire family. God bless you, Matt, Beatrix, Amanda, Angelique and Peter*

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**Newman Family** - January 22, 2010 at 12:00 AM