



## ADRIANA VILLALOBOS GIRARD

November 16, 1976 - August 20, 2020

Adriana “SPARKY” Villalobos-Girard, born November of 1976, daughter to Alfonso and Leonor Villalobos and raised in Bell Gardens, California. She passed away in August 20, 2020 at the age of 43. She is survived by her husband Van Girard, son JJ and stepchildren Antoine, Janelle, Britanie, Van Jr. and step grandkids Taylor, Ashton, Aryes, Ace, Max, Chase, Jordan, Nalani, and Kalea. By her mom and dad, siblings Juan, Margarita, Eduardo, Jose, Miguel, Leticia, Laura, and Leonor and all of her nephews, nieces, aunts, uncles and cousins.

Sparky attended Bell Gardens High School and graduated in 1995. She continued her education at California State University, Chico where she earned her degree in Liberal Studies and her teacher credentials from California State University of Dominguez Hills. She coached the girls’ basketball and boys’ volleyball teams at her alma mater, Bell Gardens High School.

Sparky’s joy in life was her son JJ and her dog Blue. She loved playing basketball and enjoyed running. She treasured coaching and guiding her students into becoming better players. But above all, watching Kobe play for the Lakers and her love for the court was her passion and in her blood. She was a Cali girl, but also enjoyed the outdoors and riding her horses with her family at their Colorado ranch.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, please contact the family for service information.

Condolences for the family may be sent through our website.

# Events

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**AUG** **Drive Through Viewing** 11:30AM - 12:30PM

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Risher Montebello Mortuary

1316 Whittier Blvd., Montebello, CA, US, 90640

# Comments

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“ 57 files added to the tribute wall



**Laura Villalobos** - September 10, 2020 at 01:29 PM

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“ Adriana,  
Thank you for being a selfless and unconditional friend! I will never forget our talks, our laughs, your coaching adventures, basketball, family...Our CELDT testing days, the panecito you would bring to start our day and of course the Tamalitos Michoacáños you brought so we could try them...Gone too soon but “Sparky” you will live in our hearts and memory With deepest condolences to all her sisters who she cared and loved dearly, her beloved husband and son, and her family may god give you strength during this difficult time

**Claudia Murillo** - September 01, 2020 at 12:48 AM

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“ Hello Laura and the entire Villalobos Family,

The loss of Adriana is difficult on many levels. She had a special impact on the many people fortunate to be embraced by her genuine kind heart. The memories will be a bond we hold dear in remembrance of Adriana.

The last time I saw and spent quality time with Adriana was on March 7th, 2020 and it was not any different than our first of many at your parents' home in Bell Gardens.

Adriana had a presence of positivity I'll always remember and cherish which she shared with the world.

Now the Almighty has welcomed her into the Kingdom of Heaven applauding her on a job well done.

I would like to thank your entire Family in welcoming and allowing me to be a part of her Life.

Cornell Smith

**Cornell Smith** - August 30, 2020 at 11:50 PM

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“ May your beautiful soul Rest In Peace Sparky. You will always be in our hearts. We love you and miss you very much. Continue to shine and smile in heaven



**Rocio Zuniga** - August 30, 2020 at 08:10 PM

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“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of ADRIANA VILLALOBOS GIRARD.



August 30, 2020 at 07:51 PM

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“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



**Glendy R** - August 30, 2020 at 03:55 PM



“ Sparky

**Glendy R** - August 30, 2020 at 03:56 PM

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“ As painful as it's been I understand that you must rest in peace, I and all of us must show the strength to let go just like you showed us through out your stay here with us. "Spark" you welcomed me when I first came to the United states, you thought me how to defend myself and introduced me to the game of basketball. Without a doubt you were a mentor to me and your family was my support. Thank you and may you rest in peace with joy. With love. Maria Lemus "Naine"

**Maria Lemus** - August 30, 2020 at 02:51 PM

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“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of ADRIANA VILLALOBOS GIRARD.



August 29, 2020 at 02:39 AM

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Espy Castillo - August 28, 2020 at 09:17 PM

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“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of ADRIANA VILLALOBOS GIRARD.



August 28, 2020 at 05:53 PM

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“ Adriana was a blessing and a light to those whose lives her presence touched. May she rest in peace.

Maria Gamboa - August 28, 2020 at 01:43 PM

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“ This beautiful photo of Sparky says it all. I gave her this name when I coached her at BGHS. Sparky was energetic and playful. She was passionate about basketball and loved by her teammates. Sparky knew how to make everyone smile and laugh. She would always do little dance moves and be comical. We kept in touch after basketball as time went on and our conversations were always filled with laughter and joy. I will truly miss Adriana!

**Mr. Peila Sir** - August 27, 2020 at 01:59 AM

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“ Sparky! You were such a joy to coach. Even though I didn't get to work with you for very long, I have vivid memories of your positivity, energy, and SMILE!! I still remember having to coach against you at the Norwalk tourney when I started coaching at LB Jordan. So long ago but my time at BGHS is so memorable and important because of people like you and your teammates. Even after I left BG we saw each other at Dominguez Hills during Van's basketball games. Your presence will be deeply missed, but you will never be forgotten. So many people love and admire you, Adriana. I know that your son will carry on your legacy. Rest easy, Sparky. You are loved by many. Coach Ulmer

**Lisa Ulmer** - August 26, 2020 at 04:20 PM



“ I will always remember your Spark. A joy to be around you as teacher, coach and a dear friend. You will always bring a warm smile - God Bless

**Joe Rizzi** - September 02, 2020 at 01:34 PM

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“ My beautiful Sparky, my friend my sister I am still in disbelief that you are gone. My heart aches as I write this, you were a warrior you fought until your last breath. I will forever carry you in my heart and memory, I thank you for the great friendship we held for all these years since our childhood. I LOVE YOU SPARKY!!!!

**Espy Castillo** - August 25, 2020 at 09:25 PM



“ To Adriana's madresita...como lo siento. ♡

**Linda castro** - August 26, 2020 at 02:19 PM



“ Sparky! Such a beautiful person inside and out , my childhood friend. I still can't believe you are not here , but I know you will always be in our hearts. You had a great sense of humor, and you cared for people, you where one of the strongest woman I have known, and the way you loved your little Minnie you. Your always be in my heart. Rest now in our fathers arms. Love you Sparky.

**Nora** - August 26, 2020 at 11:11 PM



“ I'm still in disbelief. To her family may God give the strength that you need in these difficult times.

**Ana Alvarez** - August 27, 2020 at 01:27 PM



“ Sparky, my friend, my sister. If you only knew the impact you have made in so many peoples lives- you would be happily surprised. You have blessed so many people with your big heart and beautiful and contagious smile. You definitely were a SPARK that I will truly miss but will never forget.

I was blessed to have you in my life for soooo many years in and outside of Bell Gardens and that I am truly cherishing. And now you've allowed us to gain a little piece of you in JJ with your face and smile. And as painful as it is to know that we've lost you, I am thankful to God that you are no longer suffering.

"You're wings were ready, but our hearts were not."

Rest in peace my lovely Sparky and hope you're playing some ball with your boy Kobe.

xoxo

GR

**Glendy R** - August 30, 2020 at 03:26 PM