



CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS

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Dear Worthy Regent, Officers and Members:

Below is an email that was received from Tess's husband George yesterday. Please share with all your members, so that we can storm heaven with our prayers.

The Immediate Past State Board have been saying three Hail Marys every night at 9:00 p.m. for Tess. If any of you would like to join us, that would be wonderful. Take care. God bless.

In Unity and Charity


Mary Bernard
State Regent

This is a general message for info concerning Tess. I apologize but don't have the stamina to call or write the info to every single person. So, I am going to use this format to give Updates

I just got off the phone with one of the Doctors that care for Tess in the ICU.

She has had the Tracheotomy procedure late Thursday 8/20 and is beginning to come off of the sedatives which the surgeons want to do so they can make sure she has no problems relating to the surgery.

She will still need the Ventilator to help her breath but the trach tube will provide the air passage (oxygen) without any discomfort thru her neck - this is a big help

They need to get her strength back so she will not rely on the ventilator and be able to breath on her own

She still needs to receive nutrition through her nose so the tubes will remain.

They are going to begin physical therapy at a very slow pace so she can gain her strength - keep in mind that she was sedated for approximately 35 days and with no movement She needs to get her strength back so she will not rely on the ventilator and be able to breath on her own

All of the care will take some time - not sure just how long she will be at the hospital, she may have to go to a care facility to continue her care - I am praying that she will get her strength back and come home

I would also like to say that I am overwhelmed at the support given to Tess - we are very fortunate to have friends like all of you - Thank you does not seem to begin to touch upon our gratitude to everyone for the support thru prayers-letters-phone calls and even food brought over to also help Raymund and myself

God Bless All of You
George



Left to right:
Maria Santos-Silva, State Secretary, Tess Chiampas, 1st Vice State Regent, Mary Bernard, State Regent, Mary Beasley, 2nd Vice State Regent, Jo Bryant, State Treasurer .