To the Hostos Family:

We have suffered a grievous loss: José Miguel Monegro Hernández (1943-2023), the father of Félix M. Monegro from the Conference Center, Office of the President, passed away on November 16.

A funeral service will be held on Sunday, November 19, from 3:00pm - 7:00pm at F. Ruggiero & Sons Funeral Home located at 732 Yonkers Avenue, Yonkers, NY 10704-2029. Monegro Hernández leaves behind 5 children and 5 grandchildren.

Our hearts go out to our cherished friend and colleague Félix and all who knew and loved José Miguel Monegro Hernández.

I think of these lines from the fifteenth century Spanish poet Jorge Manrique’s *Coplas por la muerte de su padre*:

…dio el alma a quien se la dio,  
el cual la ponga en el cielo  
en su gloria,  
y aunque la vida murió,  
nos dejó harto consuelo  
su memoria.

Verses on the Death of His Father  
Translation by Alan Steinle

…He gave his soul to God  
That he might walk in bliss  
On streets of gold.  
And though his soul is gone,  
By thinking of his life  
We are consoled.

In sorrow,

Daisy Cocco De Filippis, Ph.D.  
President