

## Family heartbroken over East Side crane death of Cuban immigrant

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The family of a beautiful 28-year-old Cuban immigrant killed in the horrific East Side crane collapse is "heartbroken" over her death, its attorney said Sunday.

"It's very, very difficult," said the attorney, [Edward Steinberg](#), who expects to file suit this week on behalf of [Odin Torres](#)' relatives. "It's such extensive damage to her body."

Torres was in town from [Miami](#) to celebrate St. Patrick's Day with a friend when a behemoth crane on E. 51st St. toppled over and crushed a four-story E. 50st St. brownstone on March 15.

Torres, who was in her friend's kitchen, was killed when hunks of metal and concrete rained down on her, officials said. It took 48 hours to unearth her body.

Torres' parents traveled from [Cuba](#) to pick up her remains at the medical examiner's office on Saturday. "Even though she was in Miami and they were in Cuba, they spoke often," he said. "The mother and father are both completely heartbroken."

Steinberg, of Leav & Steinberg, said the family needed two weeks to get permission from Cuban authorities before they could travel to [New York](#) to claim her body.

Torres' body is at a [Flushing, Queens](#), funeral home, but her parents will probably take their daughter's remains back to Cuba, he said.

Steinberg planned to file legal documents on their behalf as early as Monday.