BBQ Chicken Salad with Creamy BBQ Cilantro Lime Dressing

salad:

3 cups cooked, shredded chicken

1 1/2 cups BBQ sauce

1/2 head iceberg lettuce, chopped

1/2 head romaine lettuce, chopped

3 green onions, chopped

1/2 bunch cilantro, chopped

2 tomatoes, chopped

1 can black beans, rinsed and drained

1 can corn, drained

2 avocados, chopped

shredded cheese

*tortilla strips

Creamy BBQ Cilantro Lime Dressing:

1 cup mayonnaise

1/3 cup milk

1/3 cup buttermilk

2 Tbsp fresh cilantro, chopped

1 Tbsp lime juice

1 tsp white vinegar

1 tsp granulated sugar

1 clove garlic, minced

1/2 tsp salt

1/8 tsp cayenne pepper

1/8 tsp black pepper

1/4 tsp ground cumin

1/4 to 1/2 cup BBQ sauce

Combine all ingredients for dressing in a blender or food processor. Blend until smooth. Refrigerate until ready to serve.

For the salad, combine cooked chicken with BBQ sauce. Refrigerate until ready to use.

In a large bowl, toss together iceberg, romaine, green onions, cilantro, tomatoes, beans, corn, avocados, and cheese. Place salad on plates and top with BBQ chicken, tortilla strips, and dressing.

*Tortilla strips:

Slice 10 corn tortillas into narrow strips. Place on a baking sheet and sprinkle generously with salt. Spray with cooking spray. Place under broiler until crispy and brown.

Serves 8

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