



Ethel Marie Kern

February 17, 1930 - May 25, 2021

Ethel Marie Kern was born February 17, 1930 in Houston, TX to Herman Antone Dworsky and Myrtle Maddox Dworsky. She passed away in San Antonio, TX on May 25, 2021. She is survived by her children Joan Moss and husband Walter, Marilyn Rainey and husband Jim, Rob Kern and wife Melody, Bill Kern and wife Debbie. She is also survived by nine grandchildren – Robert Moss and wife Judy, David Moss, Rachel Shead and husband Chad. Tyler Rainey, Matt Rainey and wife Liz, Justin Kern, Travis Kern, Bradley Kern, Logan Kern and fiancée Becca Burns. She also leaves behind four great grandchildren – Sydney Moss, Brady Moss, Charlee Kate Moss, and Wyatt Shead. Other survivors are her sister Beverly Kennedy and husband David and three nieces and four nephews. She is predeceased by her husband Robert William Kern, Jr. and an infant son.

When Ethel was eleven years old she met the love of her life, Robert. They married June 1, 1948 and were married for 66 years. After spending the first five years of their married life in Houston, they moved with Joan and Marilyn to San Antonio, TX. They moved into the house on Barbara Dr. where they were living when Rob was born. They lived there until 1963 at which time they moved their growing family to their present home in the “country” (as it was considered at that time). Bill was born shortly after moving to their new home. The next years were spent raising her family. Eventually Ethel went to work at UT Health Science Center where she worked as an administrative assistant. She worked there until all of her children had completed college and then she retired – the first time. UT called her to come back and she went back on her own terms and worked several more years before retiring again.

While she made many friends and enjoyed her time at UT, her true work was loving and caring for her family. She was a talented seamstress and spent many hours sewing for her daughters and herself. She loved to work outside planting and growing plants – many of which were promptly eaten by deer. When she would complain Robert would jokingly say, “What do you expect when you put out a buffet?” She worked outside in the yard everyday until last July when she injured her back and back pain kept her from getting out. She enjoyed the swimming pool they put in – both for the exercise and the many good times spent in and around the pool with family. She was an excellent cook and enjoyed preparing meals for family and friends. Thanksgiving meals prepared by Robert and Ethel

were something the rest of the family looked forward to all year.

Prior to becoming a member of Northwest Church of Christ, she attended Oak Hills, Boerne, and San Pedro church of Christ where she made many friends. She maintained those friendships over the years and saw many of them at monthly “Lunch Bunch” luncheons which she organized. She also enjoyed the long friendships she had with her neighbors.

Ethel loved all of her family (in-laws as if they were her own children). All were special to her and the best times were when she was surrounded by family. She was much loved by her family and will be deeply missed. We are so thankful for her long and healthy life. She valued her independence and up until her death she was living independently – and still driving! We are so grateful that she was able to live her life as she wished.

Cemetery

Events

Mission Burial Park North
20900 IH 10 West
San Antonio, TX, 78257

MAY 31 Visitation 04:00PM - 06:00PM

Mission Park Funeral Chapels North
3401 Cherry Ridge Drive, San Antonio, TX, US, 78230

JUN 1 Visitation 01:00PM - 02:00PM

Fred J. Tips Mausoleum Chapel
20900 IH 10 West, San Antonio, TX, US, 78257

JUN 1 Chapel Service 02:00PM

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Comments



“ My deepest sympathy on your loss. Ethel was one of the most wonderful people I have ever met. LaVerne and I enjoyed the time we were able to spend with her and all the stories we shared from growing up in the Height's. I pray that you can take comfort in knowing that her family was her strength and all of you gave her so much happiness. My prayers are with you.

Margie Seaman - June 06 at 01:04 AM



“ Mission Park North lit a candle in memory of Ethel Marie Kern



Mission Park North - May 30 at 11:35 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ethel Marie Kern.



May 29 at 03:11 PM