



Agnes Dorothy "Aggie" Holm Behrens

June 10, 1919 - March 27, 2018

Agnes Dorothy Behrens passed away peacefully on March 27, 2018 due to a stroke. Agnes Dorothy Holm was born on June 10, 1919 in Sagerton, Texas. Her parents were Julius and Irene Franke Holm. She was the sixth of seven siblings with four older brothers, one older sister and one younger sister. Her father was a Lutheran pastor who served numerous parishes, so Agnes grew up in various Texas communities – Sagerton, Moulton, Philipsburg and Harper. She was an athletic young girl and preferred playing baseball, tennis, volleyball and basketball. She graduated from high school in Harper in 1937 and attended Texas Lutheran College in Seguin where she sang in the choir and played basketball and was later selected into the TLU Hall of Fame for sports. Agnes then transferred to Cedar Falls, Iowa to finish her schooling. She met her husband, Glenn Behrens, in the choir of the Lutheran church where her brother Arthur was pastor. They married just before he enlisted in the US Army as an officer. After the war they taught school in Waucoma, Iowa, where William Glenn Jr and Patricia Ann were born. The family then moved to Austin Texas to teach in the Del Valle school system. Agnes was a Physical Ed teacher initially but later taught math. Their third child, Deborah Ruth was born on May 5, 1961. During this time she took care of her widowed mother until her mother passed away. Her husband, Glenn, died of a heart attack in 1968, leaving Agnes to take care of the three children. She moved to San Antonio where her brothers Arthur and Theo were living, Arthur then pastor at St John's Lutheran Church. Her daughter Patty, then a student at UT

Austin, tragically died in a car accident in 1971, just months after her marriage to David Steen in Austin. Agnes eventually retired from John Marshall High School where she had been teaching Plane Geometry for many years. She was an active member of St John's Lutheran Church in downtown San Antonio where she enjoyed the fellowship of several women's organizations and had many close friends. Agnes enjoyed watching the Spurs games, playing Bunko and visiting close friends over coffee and pastry. Her extended family fondly remembers the large Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners Agnes prepared. For many years she drove back to Iowa in the summers to maintain close ties with the Behrens relatives there. We remember her as a remarkable woman who handled her misfortunes bravely, efficiently and without bitterness, sustained by her quietly strong Christian faith, the love of her family, brothers, sisters and her many church and school friends. She was preceded in death by her parents Julius and Irene Holm, her four brothers – Bernard, Arthur, Julius and Theo, her older sister - Lydia, her husband Glenn and her daughter Patricia Ann Steen. She is survived by her son Glenn Jr and daughter Debbie, her younger sister Irene Bulgerin, many nieces and nephews.

The funeral service will be conducted in St John's Lutheran Church at 502 East Nueva on Tuesday, April 3 at 11 am, a reception following the service. The graveside service will be in the Hillcrest Cemetery near Cedar Falls in Iowa on Friday, April 6 at 3:30 pm. Funeral arrangements administered by Mission Park Funeral Chapel at Cherry Ridge in San Antonio and Dahl-Van Hove-Schoof Funeral Home in Cedar Falls.

Cemetery Details

Hillcrest Cemetery

Cedar Falls, IA

Previous Events

Funeral Service

APR 3. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. John's Lutheran Church
502 E. Nueva St. San Antonio, Texas 78205
San Antonio, TX

Graveside Service

APR 6. 3:30 PM (CT)

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Cedar Falls, IA