



## Alma Van Brandt Forey

January 31, 1931 - January 28, 2012

Alma Van Brandt Forey, entered into heaven, on Saturday, January 28, at the age of 80. Her passing was an amazingly spiritual event, with several loving family members and close friends by her side, as she left this world, into eternal salvation. Alma was a Christian and devout Catholic, serving as parishioner at Holy Name Catholic Church for almost 40 years. Her life centered on family, and a network of friends through church, and her Southeast San Antonio community, which included various taquerias that she would frequent, with her very close friend, Carmen Zaragoza. Alma was a proud founding member of the Guadalupe Society at Holy Name; a group devoted in service to Our Lady of Guadalupe. She developed many fond memories participating side by side with her Guadalupana sisters in various events throughout the years. Alma's favorite prayer was the Hail Mary. She displayed her commitment to that devotional through her regular participation, in Holy Name's, Monday Rosary Group, which meets weekly at Josie Flores' home. Alma loved to sing and was a member of various choir's at Holy Name; her strong baritone voice always distinctive among the choir group. Alma was an outgoing woman with a zest for life. One of her greatest pleasures was to laugh and try to make others do the same. She almost always succeeded and is remembered by family and friends for her wit and one-liners. One of Alma's greatest attributes was her devotion to family and friends through unconditional love. It's a quality that leaves a lasting impression on those fortunate to be part of her life on this Earth. Alma was preceded in death by

her parents Arthur Van Brandt Sr. and Minda Lozano Van Brandt, her brother, Arthur "Tito" Van Brandt Jr., and loving husband, Javier "Jake" Forey. She is survived by her children: Bruce Forey and his wife Mary, Lawrence Forey and Celina Forey. She is also survived by her three grandchildren: Violet Forey, Jake Forey and Zane Forey. She is also survived by her brother, Robert Van Brandt, and Socorro Van Brandt, wife of her deceased brother Arthur Van Brandt Jr., along with numerous nephews and nieces, who she loved dearly.