



Arlene Kreitz Hengst

November 11, 1931 - December 19, 2020

Arlene Kreitz Hengst entered eternal rest December 19, 2020 at the age of 89.

Born November 11, 1931 in San Antonio, Texas to Elizabeth and Anton Kreitz, Arlene was a life-long resident of the city. She attended St. Cecilia's Catholic School and graduated from Incarnate Word High School in 1947, with a focus in piano performance. After attending business school, she worked at Brooks Air Force Base and Straus Frank Company.

She met the love of her life, Lawrence Hengst, at a local dance. She often told her children that she loved Larry's beautiful blue eyes and his dancing skills. They were married 50 years, during which time she supported and assisted her husband's homebuilding company while raising 4 children. She worked tirelessly for her children as a room mother and PTA member. As her children grew, she and Larry volunteered many hours with the Churchill High School Band Parents in support of group and individual performance and competition.

As a devout Catholic, Arlene lived her faith in many ways. She was one of the founding members of Blessed Sacrament and Holy Spirit parishes in San Antonio. She shared her gift of music as a church organist and choir member and lector. After suffering the loss of her son Ross in 1976, she offered compassion and a listening ear to many who suffered similar losses. She was a natural caretaker to anyone who needed help, especially in the care of her

parents and in-laws in the last years of their lives. She spent her last years as a parishioner of St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church in San Antonio.

Arlene's greatest joy in the second half of her life was being Grammy to her grandchildren. She loved to celebrate birthdays, holidays, and everyday life with joy and generosity. Whether taking the children camping, attending school concerts, or shipping surprise gifts by way of the 'big brown truck,' her best day was any day she got to speak to or hug one of her family members.

Arlene is preceded in death by her parents, her husband Larry and son Ross Alan Hengst. She is survived by children Lawrence Wayne Hengst of San Antonio, Karen Hengst May and husband Doug of McKinney, TX, Dianne Patricia Hengst of San Antonio, daughter-in-law Donna Nicol Hengst of San Antonio and grandchildren Ryan Hengst of San Antonio, Melissa Hengst of Las Vegas, NV, Allison May of Reno, NV and Caralyn May of McKinney, TX.

The funeral mass will be held Monday, December 28, 2020 at 11:30 a.m. at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church. A graveside service will follow at Holy Cross Catholic Mausoleum and Cemetery. For those wishing to attend services virtually, you may do so at <https://youtu.be/LcX-2RRM7eo>.

Cemetery Details

Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery

17501 Nacogdoches Rd
San Antonio, TX 78266

Previous Events

Rosary

DEC 28. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church
4201 De Zavala Rd.
San Antonio, TX 78249

Holy Mass

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Tribute Wall

LS

“ I have great memories of Arlene and Larry coming to visit my parents when I was a youngster. She was always smiling and laughing. Peace to the family, I know she will be missed.

Luwanna Hengst Schubert

Luwanna George Schubert - December 28, 2020 at 04:11 PM

JF

“ We are so sorry for the loss of Aunt Arlene. Larry and Dianne, please know that you are in our hearts and prayers during this time. Much Love, Jennifer and Jodie

Jodie French - December 28, 2020 at 01:38 PM

SG

“ I will miss our conversations and hearing about how your mom met your dad at a dance, her years at St. Teresa's Academy and then transferring to Incarnate Word, her love for you (children) and how proud she was of you, her parents, living on the southside, and finally, her love for your dad and their multiple trips. Eddy and I will miss her and her great sense of humor. RIP, Arlene.

Stella De La Garza - December 27, 2020 at 08:38 PM

DH

“ *The many fun faces of my Mom!*



Dianne Hengst - December 26, 2020 at 10:07 PM

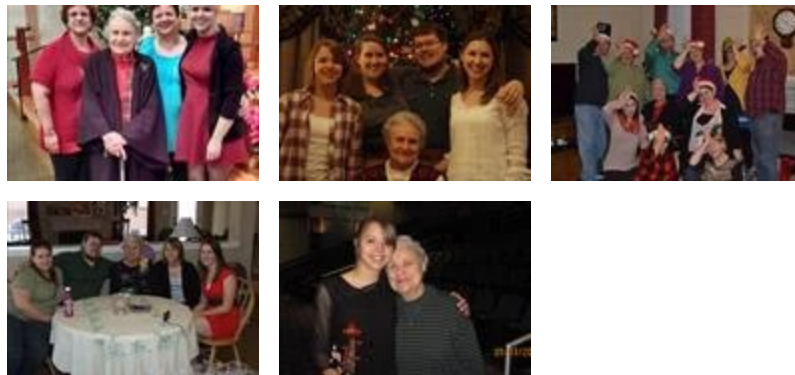
TC

*Dianne, you have my deepest condolences on the loss of your sweet mom. Her final days looked very happy! I have enjoyed seeing your photos so much, and wish you all well. I will always remember Mrs. Hengst as a sweet and loving neighbor, and she was my Confirmation sponsor at Holy Spirit way back in the day. With love and prayers,
Teresa Burns Clark*

Teresa Burns Clark - March 09, 2021 at 12:04 PM

DH

“ *Fun Grammy moment's*



Dianne Hengst - December 26, 2020 at 09:53 PM

FH

“ From your friends at MHI /Coventry Homes purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Arlene Kreitz Hengst.



From your friends at MHI /Coventry Homes - December 26, 2020 at 04:26 PM

JT

“ Jerry and Rita Simms 507 Pickford Dr. Katy, Tx purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Arlene Kreitz Hengst.



Jerry and Rita Simms 507 Pickford Dr. Katy, Tx - December 26, 2020 at 09:28 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Arlene Kreitz Hengst.



December 24, 2020 at 03:24 PM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Arlene Kreitz Hengst.



December 23, 2020 at 11:03 PM