



Audrey Blackwell (Ryder)

May 6, 1931 - January 1, 2024

In sorrow, we announce the passing of Audrey Blackwell (Ryder). She was a loving and devoted wife, mother and grandmother. Audrey was born in Cambridge, England and immigrated to the United States with her husband, Fred in 1953

She was a very talented woman; she was a seamstress by trade and at one time was commissioned to make several gowns for Miss Fiesta San Antonio. She loved to knit and crochet and cross-stich. She was a volunteer with the thrift shop on Lackland AFB and a member of the British Wives Club. She was an Avon representative and a member of the Avon President's Club where she won many awards for top sales representative. In the 1980's she decided to take up the art of painting and had a very successful career as an Artist; displaying many of her paintings at La Villita on the San Antonio River Walk. She won many art exhibits with her paintings earning first, second and third place awards.

Audrey is preceded in death by her husband, TSGT Freddie L. Blackwell, USAF (Ret.) and her granddaughter, Valerie Ann Sanders and is survived by her daughter, Susan Sanders and her husband, Mark; her granddaughter, Kristina Parsons and great granddaughters, Evelyn Parsons, Kenzie Stephens and husband, Tom and Kamarin Winans; and her great great grandsons, Liam and Connor Stephens.

The Graveside Service will begin at 10:30 A.M. on Wednesday, January 10, 2024 at Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery, 1520 Harry Wurzbach Road, San Antonio, Texas.

Cemetery Details

Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery

1520 Harry Wurzbach
San Antonio, TX 78209

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JAN **10**. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

PL

“ Pamela L. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Audrey Blackwell (Ryder).

Pamela L. - January 07, 2024 at 09:26 PM

SU

“ Susan lit a candle in memory of Audrey Blackwell (Ryder)



Susan - January 07, 2024 at 04:07 PM

SG

“ Susan, you are family to us as you well know. Losing both of your parents in such a short time is heartbreaking. We cherish the time we spent together with them and you and Mark. From our cruise where your mom won the Grand Suite upgrade at Bingo to your 50th wedding anniversary and most recently at Fred's service. I will always remember helping your mom cut the flowers we bought her (from the bottom vs the top). Our hearts and deep love for you and your entire family are with you now. How I wish we could be there for Audrey's service. It breaks my heart not to be there to hold your hand and hug you when needed. Kristina and Evelyn, please know that love extends to you both - always.



Steve and Cathy Gardner - January 07, 2024 at 11:40 AM

SU

Thanks so much, Cathy & Steve. ❤️

Susan - January 13, 2024 at 10:44 AM

TF

“ The Holman family purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Audrey Blackwell (Ryder).



The Holman family - January 04, 2024 at 01:07 PM



“ Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Audrey Blackwell (Ryder).



January 04, 2024 at 11:41 AM

DV

“ Diane V. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Audrey Blackwell (Ryder).

Diane V. - January 04, 2024 at 10:16 AM