



## Beth Walker

October 10, 1934 - February 24, 2014

On Monday afternoon, 24 February 2014, Martha Beth Walker entered into God's peace. Beth was born on 10 October 1934 in Gillett, Texas, and was the youngest child of Thomas Hardee Walker and Hertha LeeOla Upton Walker. She grew up in Gillett surrounded by her parents, two brothers, Upton and Joe, two sisters, Edna and Ruth, and many other extended family members and close family friends. Beth was preceded in death by her parents, her siblings including an infant brother, Lloyd, her nephews, Pat Tiemann and Bill Cano, and her long time best friend, Judy Barker.

As the acknowledged family genealogy expert, she knew more about her ancestors and the people in her extended family than any other living relative. She rejoiced in their lives and accomplishments, and she looked forward to one day being with them again!

Beth graduated from Karnes City High School in 1953 and was voted "Most Athletic" by her classmates. She went on to attend college in San Antonio, earning both her Bachelor's Degree and Teacher Certification from Trinity University.

Upon graduating, Beth attained her dream job as a Physical Education Teacher and the Varsity Tennis Coach at Robert E. Lee High School in San Antonio.

Although she never married and had no children of her own, Beth had a profound influence on the lives, growth, and development of thousands of young men and women at Lee High School during her many years of teaching and coaching. Her tennis teams were Texas State Champions on several occasions, and one of her proudest moments was when she first learned that there were more students going out for her tennis team than were going out for Lee's famous football team!

For her many contributions to high school tennis programs in Texas, she was inducted into the Texas Tennis Hall of Fame in 1994.

During her retirement, Beth served as an officer in the Daughters of the Republic of Texas DRT and volunteered many hours of service to that organization and its programs.

She is survived by two brothers-in-law, Ray Tiemann of Karnes City and Glenn Polan of Austin; seven nieces, Annette Walker Hartzler, Lyndelle Tiemann, Dela Garza, San Cano, Sophie Gonzalez, Rose Olsen, and Emma Almager; seven nephews, Joe Tiemann, Kraege and Ted Polan, Tommy Joe and Roger Walker, and Pete, Paul and Sammy Cano; and several great nephews and nieces and their children.

## SERVICES

A visitation will be on Friday, February 28, 2014 from 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. at Mission Park Funeral Chapels North.

A Rosary will be recited on Saturday, March 1, 2014 at 11:00 A.M. followed by Beth's funeral in the Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery Chapel, 17501 Nacogdoches Road, San Antonio TX. In lieu of flowers, donations may be

made to The Alamo, 300 Alamo Plaza, San Antonio TX 78205, in memory of  
Beth Walker.