



Betty Joy Steinmeyer Nivens

May 31, 1928 - November 21, 2024

Betty Joy Steinmeyer Nivens joined Jesus on November 21, 2024 in San Antonio, Texas. She was born on May 31, 1928 in San Antonio, to Harry Steinmeyer and Mary Brown Steinmeyer.

Betty is survived by her daughters, Robin Norby (Michael), Tammy Downey (Daniel) and Renee Allred (Jim); son, Michael Nivens (Beatrice); grandchildren, Aubrey Jaklich (Bobby), Autumn Steeley (Jay), Sarah Davis (Ted), Jeffrey Norby, Laura Olivier (Steven), David Norby, Angela Shouse, Diana Nivens, Meredith Nivens, Maddy Davis (Travis), Carson Allred, Jackson Allred; great-grandchildren, Lyla Garcia, Kennedy Jaklich, Athena Richter, Jace Richter, Danika Steeley, Everly Davis, Adalyn Davis, Juliette Davis, Harper Olivier, Henry Olivier, Isaac Pena, Gavin Shouse, and Elijah Dunnam.

Betty was preceded in death by her husband of 65 years, Hal Wallace Nivens. A Graveside Service will be held on Friday, November 29, 2024 at 11:00am at Mission Lockehill Cemetery, 10625 Fredericksburg Rd., San Antonio, Texas 78240.

Betty Joy spent her early childhood in Karnes City, Texas, raised by her father and maternal grandmother. She moved to San Antonio when she was six, and lived there with her grandmother, aunt, and cousins, but spent summers in Karnes City with her father. As a teenager, Betty Joy returned to live in Karnes

City and attended Karnes City High School.

After graduation Betty Joy moved back to San Antonio and attended Incarnate Word College. During this time, she met Hal Nivens, and the two dated intermittently. On her birthday in 1948, Betty and Hal were married.

In 1954, Betty Joy and Hal began welcoming their children into the world and raising a family. For the next 30 years, Betty devoted her time to caring for and educating her four children, Michael, Robin, Tammy, and Renée, always encouraging them to do their best. She said that raising her children was the happiest time of her life.

She was a wonderful grandmother, always interested in the accomplishments and successes of her grandchildren.

Betty enjoyed welcoming each arrival in her family with a Christmas stocking hand-made just for them.

For 20 years, Betty worked as a sales clerk at Joske's and Dillard's department stores.

After retiring, Betty and Hal traveled at least a couple of times a year. They visited all parts of the continental United States, Hawaii, Alaska, Canada, and Europe. Betty joined a local chapter of the Red Hat Society.

Betty Joy was a devout and lifelong Catholic. She belonged to St. Mary Magdalen and Blessed Sacrament parishes for nearly 70 years and served as a member of the Altar Society at Blessed Sacrament.

Betty was a strong woman, a fighter who conquered breast cancer, colon

cancer, and a pelvic fracture with little complaint.

No matter what Betty was involved in—school, neighborhood, job, church—she made friends whom she kept in touch with for years.

In lieu of flowers, Betty Joy's family asks that a donation be made to the American Cancer Society or to a charity of the donor's choice.

For personal acknowledgement, please sign the online guestbook at www.missionparks.com in the Tributes section.

MISSION PARK FUNERAL CHAPELS NORTH

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Cemetery Details

Mission Lockehill Cemetery

10625 Fredericksburg Rd
San Antonio, TX 78240
(210) 698-5252
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Previous Events

Graveside Service

NOV **29**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Betty Joy Steinmeyer Nivens.



November 28, 2024 at 07:16 AM



“ *Stacey Fleming Hain* purchased the *Emerald Garden Basket* for the family of Betty Joy Steinmeyer Nivens.



Stacey Fleming Hain - November 26, 2024 at 10:07 PM



“ *Joyful Memory* was purchased for the family of Betty Joy Steinmeyer Nivens.



November 24, 2024 at 03:02 PM