



## Betty Jo Purdy

February 24, 1934 - May 26, 2024

Betty Jo Purdy, 90 years old, beloved wife, Mother and Grandmother was born February 24, 1934, in Hoxie, Arkansas to Nora and Jess Smith. She departed this life on May 26, 2024, in San Antonio, Texas. She was a dedicated Border Patrol wife to William Purdy and a homemaker. She was a loving Mother to daughters Yolanda and Susan, and a loving Grandmother to Melissa and Dina.

Betty leaves behind many lifelong friends. She will always be known for her generous, kind, and loving spirit.

She is survived by her daughters, Yolanda Mancilla (Richard) and Susan Waters (Phillip), and Granddaughters Melissa Marks (Brian) and Dina Viesca (Joseph). She is also survived by her sisters Ardell Flanagan and Janice Manning and many nieces and nephews.

A private graveside service will be held at Mission Burial Park North.

# Previous Events

## Private Graveside Service

JUN 1 (CT)

Mission Burial Park North  
20900 IH 10 West  
San Antonio, TX 78257

# Tribute Wall

WW

“ As I finished another year teaching at South San High School, the 27th year for summer in SA I constantly thought about Betty and Bill all week. We as a family all have an incredible connection to the Heritage Neighborhood thanks to the Purdy's. Obvious reasons like finding and advocating for me to buy a house in the area, but this became a home full of a lifetime of memories. Erin our daughter who still visits every other weekend, Joseph our son is 21 going to college, all of his friends from Ed Cody elementary are regulars at anytime of the day in our home including their supporting cast. The Purdy's and of course Phil and Susan's support do not go unrecognized in our house hold. We are all grateful for all the love the Purdy's extended to our home and know they are back together again. I love the stories shared about Betty and her love of music and I share her love for the Spurs. Our thoughts are with your family during this time. ❤️

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**Wade Waters** - May 31, 2024 at 11:02 PM

DH

“ My deepest condolences to Betty's family. I have so many memories of Betty when she was my neighbor in Seguin Texas. I liked her the minute we met which grew into more as the years went by. So much fun to be around with her happy self. Always laughing! When I moved to Tn we remained friends and stayed in touch. I grew to love her like my own family and will miss talking to her. I pray we'll meet again one day. Keep smiling & dancing my dear friend.

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**Donnie Hurt** - May 30, 2024 at 03:36 PM

CF

“ Cynthia (Smith) Christopher and Families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Betty Jo Purdy.

Cynthia (Smith) Christopher and Families - May 29, 2024 at 10:57 AM

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“ Cynthia (Smith) Christopher and Families purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Betty Jo Purdy.



Cynthia (Smith) Christopher and Families - May 29, 2024 at 10:57 AM

PW

“ I have so many incredible memories of Betty around so many shared experiences but here are just 3 around a single interest many may not know she had....music.

*Standing with her at The Rolling Stones concert watching her dance as Mick Jagger was singing just feet away. Even better....standing together on stage leaning on his piano as Elton John was singing “Goodbye Norma Jean”. And best of all....Tim McGraw at his Las Vegas residency while getting ready to hand her his guitar and asking her “Betty would you hold my microphone?” Betty responded. “Tim, I’d hold anything of yours!” The crowd of thousands all broke out in laughter! After the show at least a hundred people came up to me and told me how incredible Betty was....how right they were and are.*

*Betty I will miss you, I will always remember you and most of all...I love you! Your son in law....Phil*

Phillip Waters - May 29, 2024 at 09:29 AM

YV

*My deepest condolences to my compadres Yolanda and Richard Mancilla. Also, my condolences to my daughter in law Dina and my son Joseph. I'll always remember how Betty showed so much love towards Joey. She sure was a sweetheart. I know my son and Dina will miss her dearly. I regret not being able to spend more time with Betty. May she rest in peace. Prayers for the family. Mark and Melissa my heartfelt condolences to you as well. Hugs and love.*

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**Yolanda Rodriguez Viesca** - May 29, 2024 at 03:35 PM

JS

*“ Yolanda & Richard Susan & Phil . Melissa & Brian and Dina & Joesph. & family we are so saddened of your sweet moms passing. We have never met a more caring , compassionate Loving lady and extremely funny . And her love for the Spurs . She brought so much joy and laughter to all of our lives . She took us under her wing when we became neighbors . it's been the sweetest friendship for 23 yrs not long enough . We're sure going to miss her so much , sending love and prayers in this difficult time . Love to you all . Rick , Julie , Cole*



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**Julie scheffler** - May 28, 2024 at 09:32 PM