



Connie A. Sonnen

December 8, 1928 - September 6, 2014

Connie A. Sonnen passed away on Saturday, September 6, 2014 in San Antonio Tx. at the age of 85. Connie's legacy is deeply rooted in education and community service for the south side of San Antonio. Inducted into the Harlandale Hall of Fame in 2011, she committed herself to improving the lives of students, serving on the Harlandale ISD Board of Trustees, chairperson on the HISD citizen advisory committee and President of the Higher Education Authority Board of San Antonio. She was an active and concerned commissioner of the San Antonio Housing Authority, aiming to improve the living conditions for children and senior citizens. During her five year tenure she visited housing projects regularly and helped in making equipment and facility improvements. Connie was very involved with politics, volunteering for many state and US election campaigns including former President Bill Clinton and Texas Governor Ann Richards. Retiring as an aircraft engine mechanic from Kelly Air Force Base, Connie was a devoted activist for woman's rights. She was involved with multiple women's organizations including Parliamentarian and long standing member for the Mexican American Business and Professional Women and member of the Bexar County Women's Political Caucus. Other achievements include the Nemo Herrera Woman of the Year and San Antonio Light Sunday Woman of the Year along with numerous recognitions for her tremendous amount of volunteer hours for her community.

She is preceded in death by her husband Adolph T. Sonnen and five brothers

and two sisters. She is survived by her children Eleanor Ruth Rudy Guerrero, Randy Chris Sonnen, Ed Pam Sonnen, Barbra Carlos Hernandez and Brother Armando Aguilar. Eight grandchildren, nine great grandchildren and numerous nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the following organizations in Connie Sonnen's name, Harlandale Education Foundation c/o Harlandale Independent School District, 102 Genevieve, San Antonio, Tx. 78214. Also Dress For Success, P.O. Box 91036, San Antonio, Tx. 78209.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, September 9 with a memorial service from 7-9pm at Mission Park Funeral Chapels. Religious services will be held on Wednesday, September 10 at 9am at Mission Park Funeral Chapels with burial following at Mission Burial Park South, both located at 1700 S.E. Military Drive, San Antonio, Tx.