



## Doris Geyer Staffel

September 10, 1931 - September 3, 2012

Doris Geyer Schorlemer Staffel passed away suddenly at home on Monday, September 3, 2012. She was born September 10, 1931 in San Antonio, TX, the daughter of Richard & Hermina Geyer and baptized at St. John Lutheran Church. She grew up in South East Texas, mostly in Yorktown and Victoria, where she still has deep roots. However, she lived the majority of her life in San Antonio. She is survived by her loving husband - Dr. Edward R. Staffel; brother Richard Geyer Nancy; children - Janis & Jim Ploetz, Beth Schorlemer, Ross & Tana Staffel, Scott & Morna Staffel, Joe Staffel; precious grandchildren – Jordan & Jett Ploetz, Mixson, Sarah, Ben & Julia Staffel; numerous nieces & nephews; and many, many friends. Our angel was truly one of a kind. She was always putting others first in every endeavor she undertook. Doris was very creative whether it be as an interior designer, an artist or a grand party planner. She had a gift for making people feel better about themselves and always celebrated others achievements. Doris was a beautiful, happy soul, with an infectious laugh that caused others to laugh along with her. Even if she had a down day, she never let it show. It was her faith in God that fueled her optimistic outlook on life. Doris was a fabulous gourmet cook and could easily prepare a great meal on the spot. She was a first class fisherwoman and brought in regularly near record-size trout and redfish at the coast, no matter how difficult the weather conditions might be. Her lifelong dedication to the San Antonio Symphony was unfaltering even in their troubled times. She served two consecutive years as Symphony League

President and was always volunteering to help anytime she was needed. When the Symphony volunteers would have an appreciation day luncheon, she would prepare her famous tortilla soup or homemade sandwiches which were always eagerly awaited by the orchestra members. She was also a committee member of the San Antonio Symphony Maestro Society and was consistently promoting the Symphony and its value to San Antonio and South Texas. She also spent many years as Business Manager for husband Ed's dental practice. A volunteer at heart, she was also a member of the San Antonio Dental Auxiliary, the Bexar County Medical Auxiliary, the Castle Hills Garden Club & served as President of the Lee High School PTA. Most of all, she loved being Mama D to her grandbabies, who were her pride & joy. The happiness Doris brought to those who knew her will live on in our memory and she will be missed dearly by her husband, family & friends.

## SERVICES

A visitation will be held from 6:00 – 9:00 PM on Thursday, September 6, 2012 at Mission Park Funeral Chapels North with a Service of Remembrance to begin at 7:00 PM. A church service will be held at 12:00 PM on Friday, September 7, 2012 at Concordia Lutheran Church. A reception will be held following the church service with interment to follow at Mission Burial Park North. Memorials would graciously be received by the San Antonio Symphony in memoriam of Doris Schorlemer Staffel or the charity of your choice.