



Eleanor D. Nona Kelly

January 24, 1913 - July 21, 2010

Eleanor D. "Nona" Kelly, went to her heavenly home Wednesday, July 21, 2010, in Boerne, Texas at the age of 97 surrounded by her loving family and friends. Eleanor was born to Thomas and Laura Pearl Lorillard McGowan in San Antonio, Texas, on January 24, 1913. She was the eldest of twelve children. She grew up in San Antonio and graduated from Brackenridge High School in 1930. She met and married her "Freddy" on April 2, 1932. She worked at Peaslee Gaulbert during World War II and later at Ft. Sam Houston as purchasing clerk for 17 years. She was preceded in death by her parents, Thomas and Laura Pearl McGowan; husband, Fred Kelly; brothers, Thomas Jr.; Robert S; Harry A; Donald B; sisters, Leslie P. Mulhern; Laura B. Micheli; Bonnie L. Olsen; Betty J. Lewis; Joan P. Haese; and a great grandson Ryan M.D. Crowe. Eleanor "Alpha" is survived by her daughters, Kathryn Crowe of Boerne; Patricia Gooden and husband J.W. "Bill" of Boerne; Lyndalee Holden and husband Melvin of San Antonio; sister, Jean P. Robertson of San Antonio; and brother Terry P. McGowan "Omega" and wife, Beth of Victoria, Texas; 9 grandchildren; 13 great grandchildren; and 1 great great grandson; numerous nieces, nephews and cousins; "Nona", as she was known, loved to read, do crossword puzzles, crochet, crafts of all kinds, tending her tomatoes and loved cooking, especially her "famous enchiladas and baked beans" for everyone. She loved life and people; and leaves behind many friends. She was a lifelong member of Bethany Presbyterian Church where she enjoyed being active as Elder, Circle Leader, and just being involved. Her Church family was very

"Special" to her. She will be missed by all who knew her. As Reagan, a great granddaughter, said the best thing about Nona is "She just can't stop loving." We would like to thank Vitas Hospice, Team 551 of San Antonio for their "Tender Loving Care" given to our Mom and our family during our time of need. To Charlie Cropper, minister of Bethany Presbyterian Church, who has been our rock many times. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Bethany Presbyterian Church, 1110 Chicago Blvd, San Antonio, TX 78210 or Vitas Hospice 5430 Fredericksburg Rd., Suite 200, San Antonio, Texas 78229.

SERVICES

Visitation will be held Friday, July 23, 2010 from 6:00 until 9:00 P.M. at Mission Park South. Funeral Services will be held Saturday, July 24, 2010 at 11:30 A.M. at Bethany Presbyterian Church with Rev. Charlie Cropper officiating. Interment will follow in San Fernando Cemetery III.

Tribute Wall

BM

“ My heart is simultaneously sad and happy at the passing of my wonderful and much-beloved aunt. I am sad that her spirit has left this plain of existence but happy that she is with God and all our many beloved who have passed on before her. Her's was a li

Bobby McGowan - July 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ I will always remember Eleanor as being one of the sweetest and kindest person I had the pleasure of knowing.

Tillie Hamilton - July 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LA

“ I have never known anyone so enthusiastic about life and so dedicated to family, friends and God. Aunt Eleanor was an absolutely amazing woman that will be missed by all that knew her.

Lisa McGowan Abbott - July 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

EW

“ Mrs. Kelly will be greatly missed by her fellow members of MTAA. Her beautiful smile and sweet loving nature will always be remembered. Rest in peace, your work here is done.

Eyvette Warnecke - July 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ We are very sorry to hear Nona will no longer be with us. We always enjoyed visiting with her at the family get-togethers. She was "sharp" up to the last days of her life. I was so amazed how she picked up using a computer and e-mail so late in life - wha

Rick and Tracie Robertson - July 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SK

“ Nana will be missed very much. I'm glad to have had the privilege to spend the time I did both visiting and living with her. She is forever in my heart

Samantha Krieger - July 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ We have very fond memories of Mrs.Kelly. She was always happy to see everyone and a joyful person. Many blessings to her and her loving family.

With sympathy,

Donald & Shirley Cavin and Family

Shirley A. Cavin - July 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ What a precious, awesome lady Nona was! She was always "Aunt Nana" to me. She was such a smart, loving person and was such an inspiration to me and to others, as well. She will always have a special place in my heart. I can only imagine the glorious re

Janet Haese Samples - July 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PN

“ We are saddened to hear of Aunt Nona's passing. She had a huge heart and such a zest for life. We are blessed to have known her and to call her family. May your memories of her bring you comfort during this difficult time. Our sincere sympathy and love t

Paul & Stacy Neal - July 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM