



Eleanore Gardner

July 1, 1918 - September 15, 2007

Mensa member Eleanore Gardner was born Eleanore Anna Strandberg on July 1, 1919 in Roseau, MN to Peter and Margaret Strandberg and passed away on September 15, 2007. Being the 7th of eight children she enjoyed her childhood on the family farm. In order to attend High School she had to live in town and work for room and board. After graduating Roseau High she pursued a career as a Registered Nurse and graduated from Deacones Hospital in Grand Forks ND. While working in Grand Forks she met and married Warrant Officer and Glider Pilot Leland Gardner and together they had five children. After WWII they settled in San Antonio where Eleanore worked as an RN at the Nix hospital, also doing private duty. For fun she enjoyed table games with her children and was an expert bowler using her nickname Oley. She was considered one of the city's premier bowlers and was on a WIBC league championship team six consecutive seasons from 1961-1962 to 1967-1968 and had a high game of 299 in 1964 and high series of 710 in 1965. After her divorce in 1969 she turned her attention away from bowling and could be seen dancing the night away at the Roaring 20's. She also left nursing at this time and became a personal counselor. She helped many people make good choices in everything from career moves to romance. She is survived by Suzan Gardner of San Antonio, her daughter Lexey Lee Krause and husband Derek and sons Ellis and Evan of Austin; son, Jim E. Gardner and wife Lee and daughter Megan of Bandera; son Billy Gardner of San Antonio; sister Verna Sloan and family of Edina MN; niece

Lynn Snead and husband Bill and family of Citrus Heights CA; niece Marlene VanCleave and husband Bob and family of Rockford, IL; nephews Tommy and Larry Hanson and their families of Florida. There will be a memorial service at Mission Park Funeral Chapel North on Sunday, September 23, 2007 at 3 pm with a gathering after at 3511 Broadway.

Tribute Wall

KD

“ I was a class mate and friend of Billy at Lee. We were in the choir together and shared many happy memories. I recall his talking of his mom with great love and fondness. I share your sorrow at her loss. She sounds like a wonderful lady. My prayers ar

Kim DeVries - September 20, 2007 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ Susan,
My sympathy and prayers go to you and your family. My mother Evelyn Johnson was a dear friend of your Mother's and also a fellow RN at Nix hospital.I remember Eleanor well.
She was a very sweet lady.My Mom died on Sept.29,2005 also at the age of

BETTY COX - September 19, 2007 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ Eleanore was always there with a kind word and encouragment.She was my friend for 32 years and I will greatly miss her. Thank you, Eleanore for being such a kind and loving friend.

richard craven - September 19, 2007 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ May the good memories keep her close to your hearts always, sorry for your loss Billy, Jimmy and Susan. ole two left feet Lee

Lee McCullough - September 19, 2007 at 12:00 AM