



Elnora Lee Otte Rutledge

March 26, 1927 - November 25, 2020

Elnora (Dorothy) Lee Otte Rutledge of San Antonio, was called to her heavenly home on November 24, 2020, at the age of 93. She was born to Oscar Charles Otte and Lillie Mae Russell Otte on March 26, 1927 in McCullough County Texas. She was named Elnora after the main character in *A Girl of the Limberlost* who lived her life following the Golden Rule. Elnora lived true to the name. Elnora attended area schools in Lohn, Rochelle, and Winchell. She graduated from Brady High School and soon moved to San Antonio where she worked to put herself through vocational college. After several clerical jobs Elnora was hired as a secretary with Bexar County where she had a long rewarding career and met many lifelong friends. She retired as Assistant Director from the Bexar County Child Support Office. After retiring, Elnora went back to college and volunteered her time at the Bexar County Child Support Office and at Jefferson United Methodist Church where she had been a member more than 60 years. She did not let her various health issues hold her back, always encouraging everyone to “do the best you can with what you have”, Elnora, or Memaw as her grandkids and great-kids knew her, lived a long life as matriarch always taking care of everyone else and trying to help in any way that she could. When she wasn't spending time with family, she was devoting her time to friends in need and caring for every stray cat and dog in the neighborhood.

Elnora was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Lester Rutledge,

step-son Lester Rutledge, Jr., step-daughter Barbara Rutledge Burleson, brothers Narvel and Alfred Otte, nephew Johnnie Otte, former son-in-law Francisco Griego, son-in-law Chuck Homan, and daughter-in-law Betty Joe Rutledge. Elnora is survived by her daughters, Leslie Gail Burgess (Jeff), Pattie Lee Homan, Linda Sue Nesloney and Karen Kay Rutledge; step-son, Paul Eugene Rutledge, Sr. (Linda); sister-in-law Meko Otte; long time dear family friends, Molly and John Thompson; nieces Lillie Sanchez and Rosie Brewster; grandchildren and families: Stephen (Meredith) Horner, Amanda (Chris) Lewton, Christina, Vicky (Jonathan) Fisher-Bloodworth, Francisco Greigo, Aaron (Leanna) Gray, Brian Fraige, Lisa, Christa, Paul, Tammy, Priscilla, Jeffrey, John, Sherri, Lori, Teri, Thomas, Stephanie, Amanda, Jacquelyn; and caring neighbors Isabelle and Walter.

The family would like to thank the staff at The Manor at Morningside for their care and compassion, especially under the restrictions of the last months. Thank you for being there when we could not.

In lieu of flowers, it was Elnora's wish that donations be made to San Antonio Cancer Research Center, American Business Women's Association Scholarship Fund or to The Manor at Morningside Ministries Covenant Fund <https://www.mmliving.org/giving/donate/> .

Let us all fondly remember that she loved us "a bushel, a peck, and a hug around the neck!"

Visitation will be Monday, December 14, 2020 from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. at Mission Park Funeral Chapels South. Funeral Service will be on Tuesday, December 15, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. at Mission Park South. Interment to follow at Mission Burial Park South.

In accordance with CDC safety precautions, everyone is required to wear a

mask and practice social distancing in the chapel and at the cemetery. There will be a 75 person maximum allowed in the chapel. We thank you in advance.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 14. 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels South, Cemeteries & Crematories
1700 SE Military Dr
San Antonio, TX 78214
(210) 924-4242
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Funeral Service

DEC 15. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mission Park Funeral Chapels & Cemeteries created a Tribute Video in memory of Elnora Lee Otte Rutledge*



Mission Park Funeral Chapels & Cemetery - January 05, 2021 at 12:20 PM



“ *Mission Park Funeral Chapels & Cemeteries created a Webcast in memory of Elnora Lee Otte Rutledge*



Mission Park Funeral Chapels & Cemetery - December 03, 2020 at 06:16 PM

DM

What a lovely service, Elnora was one of a kind lady and I will miss her! Prayers and comfort for her family.

Dorothy Milligan

Dorothy Milligan - December 15, 2020 at 01:03 PM

LE

*Thank you everyone for your kind words and remembrances.
Your thoughts and prayers helped us a great deal*

~~ The daughters and families of Elnora "Memaw" Rutledge

Leslie - January 15, 2021 at 03:10 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family
of Elnora Lee Otte Rutledge.*



December 13, 2020 at 06:57 PM

MP

“ *Our visits with Elnora at Morningside will be a lasting memory. She
had wonderful sense of humor.*

*We will miss her
Delia & Michelle Perez*

Michelle Perez - December 13, 2020 at 01:08 PM

CB

*Karen, Linda Sue, Leslie and Patty; Your Mom was a terrific boss, she
is the reason why I became, in the Child Support office, the person I
am! She taught me everything she new at work and in life! My family
and I will miss her dearly! God bless her and all your family!*

Carmen J. Bazan - December 13, 2020 at 08:19 PM

MP

“ *She will be very greatly missed by many friends and extended family.*

*Until we meet again-
John & Molly Thompson*

Michelle Perez - December 13, 2020 at 01:00 PM

DR

“ *Just a note to express my condolences to the family. I worked many years at Juvenile Probation which administered the Child Support Program for as long as I can remember. I first worked there in 1966-68 and remembered "Ms Rutledge," as we all respectfully referred to her, when I returned as Chief almost 30 years later. She was the rock of the Child Support Division, so reliable and knowledgeable that she was the "go-to" person for problem resolutions and new initiatives. She was admired and respected by her managers and her peers as well. May she rest in peace.*

David J. Reilly

David Reilly - December 13, 2020 at 08:15 AM

PH

Thank you so much for capturing and sharing your memories of our mother.

Pattie Homan - December 13, 2020 at 11:58 AM



“ 3 files added to the album Memories Album



Mission Park Funeral Chapels & Cemetery - December 10, 2020 at 11:23 AM

IL

“ *Isabel Campos Licea lit a candle in memory of Elnora Lee Otte Rutledge*



Isabel Campos Licea - December 09, 2020 at 02:58 AM