



Emily Frances Havelka

October 11, 1922 - December 29, 2014

Emily Frances Valenta Havelka passed away on December 29, 2014 at the age of 92. She was born in Schwertner, Texas on October 11, 1922, the only daughter to Frank Valenta and Frances Knapek Valenta.

Emily married Johnnie S. Havelka on November 4, 1941 at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Cornhill, Texas. They moved to San Antonio shortly after and were married 56 years until his passing in 1998. Emily was a loving and devoted daughter, sister, aunt, wife, mother and grandmother. Nothing brought her greater joy than being with her family. She was very proud of her Czech heritage and ancestors. She spoke Czech fluently, was an accomplished accordionist and could make a mean Kolache. Emily was also a member of KJZT and the San Antonio Czech Choral Club. She and Johnnie spent many years traveling and performing with the Choral Club where she played the accordion and organ. Emily loved her immediate and extended family fiercely, unconditionally and without fail.

Emily is survived by her son Johnny who was the light of her life, daughter-in-law LeeAnn and her precious granddaughters Adrienne Chris Hancock and Stephanie Havelka. Emily was also looking forward to becoming a great-grandmother in June. She is also survived by the brothers she adored, Frank Lorene Valenta of Temple, Dan Virginia Valenta of Houston and Tim Janice Valenta of Dallas, 15 nieces and nephews whom she loved as if they were her own, many great and great-great nieces and nephews and numerous cousins. She was preceded in death by her husband Johnnie, her parents Frank and

Frances, brothers and sister-in-laws Jerry and Mary Valenta, Joe and Betty Valenta and niece Margie Valenta.

We wish to thank the family and friends who continued to visit Emily after her move to Brookdale Castle Hills. Those visits would brighten her day and she especially loved hearing about the comings and goings of her kinfolk. Most importantly, we would like to thank Martha Schramek for being her constant, loving and most dearest friend for the past 68 years. Martha always had a shoulder to lean on, a sympathetic ear, a voice lifted in prayer and a beautiful, giving heart. We are so very grateful for her unwavering love and continued support during this time.

Visitation will begin at 6 pm followed by the Holy Rosary at 7 pm on Sunday, January 4, 2015, at Mission Park Funeral Chapels North. Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. on Monday, January 5, 2015, at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church, 1710 Clower Street, in San Antonio with burial immediately following at Holy Cross Cemetery, 17501 Nacogdoches Road, in San Antonio

Pallbearers will be her grandson, Chris Hancock of San Antonio and nephews Bob Valenta of Atlanta, TX, Tommy Valenta of Temple, Jody Valenta of San Antonio, Dan Valenta, Jr. of Houston and Ken Valenta of Dallas.