



Irene Edna Goodson

March 17, 1931 - August 11, 2018

Irene Edna Goodson passed away peacefully to be with our Lord on August 11, 2018 at the age of 87. She was born on March 17, 1931 in Staten Island, New York to Joseph and Edna Arturi. After graduating from high school, she met an Army Air Corps soldier from Texas named Howard C. Goodson on a New York subway. The two were soon married and headed to Texas where he was stationed. His military career took them to Japan, South America, Nebraska and finally to San Antonio, having 6 children along the way. In 1965, they settled in Helotes where they had their seventh child. Even though the rest of her life was spent in Helotes, she never lost her New York accent.

Once her children were all in school, Irene went to work for the Helotes General Store (later the Hickory Hut) which was a gathering place for many in the community. She was known as the lovely lady with the long white hair that ran the cash register and greeted everyone with a big smile. It was there that Irene became a mother and advisor to many that came into the store for BBQ or dinner with friends and family. She worked there many years until the store closed.

She maintained a loving home for her husband, children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and great-great grandchild. As a woman of German-Italian descent, she loved to cook and was known for her delicious lasagna – a recipe she eventually shared with her children. Irene also had a love of music, which included the Beatles, Frank Sinatra, Hank Williams, Moody Blues, Gospel and lots of Christmas music. She had a special place in her heart for

all animals, but her favorites were her cats.

Irene loved the Lord and attended North West Church of Christ. She enjoyed her Lady's Bible Study class as well as helping out in the nursery. She never judged a book by its cover, showed everyone true Christian love and had the patience of a saint.

She traveled many places across the US. She had a lifetime pass to Sea World and was often accompanied by grandchildren/great grandchildren, claiming this was her secret to staying young! Above all else, she loved watching her children grow up, leave the nest and have families of their own. Irene was predeceased in life by her husband, Howard C. Goodson, mother Edna Arturi and father Joseph Arturi. She is survived by her brother Ronald Arturi and his family, her children Steve Goodson and wife Stefanie, Stan Goodson and wife Phyllis, Sandra Goodson, Stacey Goodson and wife Linda, Stewart Goodson and wife Annette, Sharon Goodson and life partner Paula Harris, and Shawna Goodson. Her grandchildren include Steven (Sabrina) Goodson, Josh (Katy) Deschenes, Bryan (Kim) Deschenes, Chelsea (Kevin) Douthit, Cassidy (Adam) Holdsworth, Shayla (Matt) Lee, Scott Randall, Liauna (John) Michalec, Grant Goodson, Garrett Goodson, Meagan Goodson, Gavin (Rachel) Goodson and Adam Goodson. Great grandchildren include Guinevere & McKenzie Goodson, Koda Douthit, Eloise Deschenes, Davis Arth, Maverick, Alister & Posey Holdsworth, Davian & Winter Lee, Natallie, Nathan & Ashley Randall, Braden & Carson Skyles, Marshall (Sarah), Madalyn, & Morgan Michalec, Elena Goodson, and three on the way. One great-great grandchild, Haeli Randall.

Tribute Wall

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“ Irene was a beautiful lady, inside and out. I already miss her.
Doris Charleville

Doris Charleville - August 25, 2018 at 05:53 PM

JP

“ To the coolest Mom that ever lived, It was a pleasure and an honor to have known you, my deepest condolences go out to the Goodson family.

Janice Polito

Janice Polito - August 23, 2018 at 02:05 PM

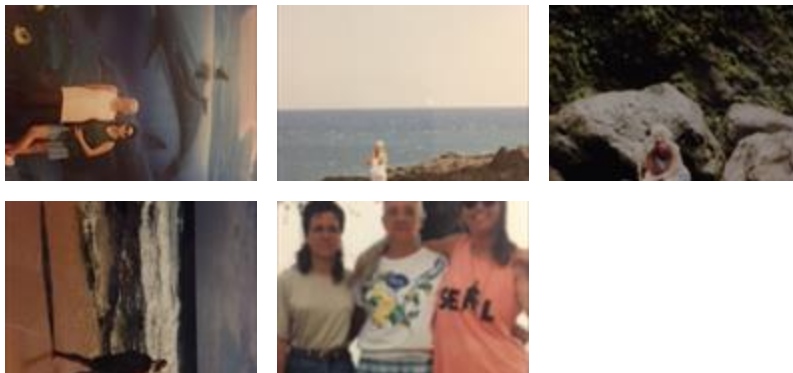
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“ I miss you so much Mom, our weekly lunch or dinner dates were the best!

Shawna Goodson - August 23, 2018 at 11:58 AM

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Shawna Goodson - August 23, 2018 at 11:26 AM

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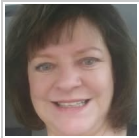
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Shawna Goodson - August 23, 2018 at 10:53 AM



“ Miss You my sweet Irene, and I have loved you for 33 years !
You have not only been my Mother-In- Love,
but also YOU have been my Best Friend!



Linda Goodson - August 22, 2018 at 10:14 PM

PH

“ Miss and love you always mom, #86



Paula K Harris - August 22, 2018 at 08:32 PM

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“ *I love you Mom....miss you every moment of everyday...loving you forever*
Sharon

Sharon Goodson - August 22, 2018 at 02:55 PM