



Jane Barnhouse Riley

February 27, 1926 - August 28, 2019

Jane Barnhouse Riley died peacefully in her home in San Antonio, TX on August 28, 2019 surrounded by family members. She was born on February 27, 1926 in Mexico City to Helen and Fred Barnhouse. After a year, the young family moved to Havana, Cuba for two years; then General Motors transferred her father to Wellington, New Zealand for three years before they moved to San Antonio, Texas when Jane was six. Jane had one sibling, Joan, who was six years younger.

She attended Grades 1st- 8th at Alamo Heights in San Antonio. In 1939, the family moved to Long Island, New York where her father became a partner with his brother, Howard in a successful searchlight business. Jane attended 3 years at Manhasset High School in New York before the family returned to San Antonio. She graduated from high school at Incarnate Word, and then attended a year at Incarnate Word College and a year at Tower Secretarial School before going to work as a secretary at Associates Investment Company.

Jane and William (Bill) Howard Morris married in San Antonio on May 18, 1946. They had nine children: Nancy, Elizabeth (Betty), Mary, William (Bill), Carol, Catherine (Cathy), James (Jim), Thomas (Tom) and Jean. Bill Morris passed away in 1963. Jane subsequently married William (Bill) Stephen Riley and adopted his six children: William (Billy), Lee, Lynne, Mark, Laura and

Anna. In 1966, Rebecca (Becky) was born completing the family. Jane was a life-long devout Catholic, who felt her proudest accomplishment was raising her children.

When her children were older, she went back to study for 3-1/2 years to be a chemical dependency counselor. This experience complemented the insight she gained from 41 years of sobriety. For many years, she and Bill Riley were active in a church-sponsored spiritual program called Retrouvaille, whose mission is to help transform troubled marriages into stronger unions. The last two years of Bill's life, he and Jane served as Coordinating Couple for the Retrouvaille of the San Antonio Community.

Jane's favorite hobbies were gardening, keeping in touch with family, decorating, reading, family photo albums and genealogy. In 1995, she compiled a 500-page book of her ancestors and descendants. Jane was a proud member of the Daughters of the American Revolution. She and Bill Riley enjoyed ballroom dancing with the Let's Dance Club.

Her first husband, Bill Morris, her second husband, Bill Riley, her sister, Joan Barnhouse, a son, Thomas, daughter Lee and grandchildren Brian Bailey, Christopher Reams, Caleb Anderson, Trace and Conner Riley, preceded Jane in death. 14 children, 36 grandchildren, 36 great-grandchildren and many other loving family members and friends, survive her.

The family wishes to thank the doctors, nurses and hospice who cared for her during her last days, especially her caregivers, Jody Kolar and Cindy Brown.

Jane's favorite prayer was the Serenity Prayer:

God, grant me the Serenity to accept the things I cannot change,
Courage to change the things I can, and Wisdom to know the difference.

A Visitation will be held on Monday, September 2, 2019, from 5:30-8:00 p.m., with a Rosary at 7:00 p.m. at Mission Park North Funeral Chapels, 3401 Cherry Ridge Dr, San Antonio, TX. At 10:00 a.m., on Tuesday, September 3, 2019, a Mass in the memory of Jane will be conducted at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, 20523 Huebner Rd, San Antonio, TX. On Tuesday, the family will receive family and friends 30 minutes prior to the service, with a reception to follow the service in the church hall. An online register book is available for family and friends at www.missionparks.com .

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 2. 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels Cherry Ridge
3401 Cherry Ridge Dr
San Antonio, TX 78230
(210) 349-1414
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Rosary

SEP 2. 7:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels North Cherry Ridge
3401 Cherry Ridge Drive
San Antonio, TX 78230

Funeral Mass

SEP 3. 10:00 AM (CT)

Holy Trinity Catholic Church
20523 Huebner Rd.
San Antonio, TX 78258

Reception

SEP 3. 12:00 PM (CT)

Holy Trinity Church Hall
San Antonio, TX

Tribute Wall



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Jane Barnhouse Riley.* ”



August 30, 2019 at 04:46 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Jane Barnhouse Riley.* ”



August 30, 2019 at 09:31 AM