



Jane Tips Rowe

September 13, 1942 - February 13, 2021

Artist and educator Jane Margaret (Jan) Tips Rowe died peacefully at home on February 13, 2021, after a long battle with cancer. Born in 1942 in San Antonio, Texas, to Frances May Beam and Will Chambers Tips, Jan was educated at the University of Texas and Trinity University and spent more than fifty years creating abstract painting and sculpture that referred to landscape and the power of memory. She taught at UTSA, the San Antonio Art Institute, and Saint Mary's Hall and served as an art critic for the San Antonio Express-News. Her work was featured in 10 one-person, 17 two-person and 41 group exhibitions. Her art is part of 12 public collections in Texas and one in Peru.

With her late husband, artist Reginald M. Rowe, Jr. (1920–2007), she crafted a life designed to afford the most possible time for producing art, reading, and delighting in a household of family pets and lively conversation with friends and family. In 2009, she found new love with Sam Maclin, who filled the rest of her days with warmth, gentle humor, and robust home cooking from his garden.

Possessed of an incisive intellect, Jan was never so happy as when fiercely concentrated on producing subtleties of color and texture in a piece she was working on or when offering attentive counsel to those who sought it. She was a loving mother, a dedicated teacher and mentor, and a devoted friend.

She is survived by her daughters Betsy Beckmann and Michele Rowe-Shields; her sister Joan Tips Thaggard and her husband Al Thaggard; nephews Ty Thaggard and his wife Holly Emery and their children Emery and Will; and Martin Thaggard and his wife Jennifer Perry and their son Oliver.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, there will be a private interment at Mission Burial Park North. The family wishes to thank the devoted caretakers who served her during her illness: Hope Martinez, Anita Padilla, Nora Escamilla, and Dora Ramirez. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations in her memory to the Animal Defense League or the charity of your choice.

Cemetery Details

Mission Burial Park North

20900 IH 10 West
San Antonio, TX 78257

Tribute Wall

CV

“ Jan was a wonderful teacher at Saint Mary's Hall. it was with deep sadness i heard of death. late as usual which she would laugh about that i am sure because i was always late and often asleep in class. Finding the inspiration of her teaching slowly but surely. Despite my failings Jan was always encouraging and joy to be around. Love and sympathy to her family and may you continue to find all the fun ,beauty, art and laughter in life she showed you how to find..

Claire Cartwright Vaughan

Claire Cartywright Vaughan - May 02, 2021 at 01:01 PM

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“ I did not know you, Jane. And met you only once I believe through your delightful sister, Joan. However, I had heard of your art, your art teaching and criticism throughout my own art history life; and wish I had spent more time speaking and hanging out with ya! God bless you.

Peter Weller

Peter Weller - February 23, 2021 at 11:59 AM

BF

“ We knew Jane Briefly at St Marks Episcopal but we always sat on the pew right in front or right behind her. She will be dearly missed from our 7:45 services. She will always be such a lady to us all.

Barbara and Gary Francis

BARBARA GARY FRANCIS - February 21, 2021 at 03:44 PM

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“ *Jan was the greatest role model and friend. She inspired my lifelong passion for art and art history. I am deeply indebted to her for my career as an art history professor. She provided me with welcomed advice both professionally and personally. I will miss her warm and beautiful spirit and her great kindness. Carey Clements Rote*



Carey Rote - February 21, 2021 at 12:12 PM

TP

“ *Jan was a beautiful person inside and out. We will all miss her.*

Terry Gay Puckett - February 20, 2021 at 04:17 PM