



## Janie Bishop Almaraz

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Janie Bishop Almaraz, 85, left this earth on Dec. 5, 2016, to begin eternity in her new home in Heaven. Janie was a beautiful and mighty woman of valor.

Born on Oct. 6, 1931, in San Antonio, TX, Janie was raised on the south side in a humble home with a rich set of values and morals set by her parents, Rudolfo and Frances Bishop. Janie, the eldest of five, was a true example of love, strength and respect.

Janie attended South San HS and later earned her cosmetology license.

In 1952, she married Joe S. Almaraz, and had five children: Joe, Jesse, Jeanette, Julie and Johnny. She loved her children very much and inspired them to always do their best and to trust in God.

Janie was a dedicated housewife and did an amazing job raising her children. Once her children were all grown up, she decided to pursue her passion in childhood development and education, and soon began working as a caregiver in children's day care centers. She also went back to school to earn a floral design license and created many beautiful arrangements.

Janie loved life and lived it to its fullest by always placing God in the center of everything. She was a devoted and loving wife, mother, grandmother, daughter, sister, niece, aunt, cousin, and friend. She was also devoted to her dogs and loved them very much.

Janie trusted Jesus Christ as her personal Lord and Savior and her strong faith was evident throughout her life. She lived out her faith as she shared her extravagant joy, contagious laughter, incredible compassion and amazing spirit of hope with everyone she met. Even as a cancer survivor, she was fearless when it came to trusting God. She held on to God's promises and to His perfect will. One of her favorite Bible verses was Psalm 91.

Janie also loved going for long rides through downtown, as it reminded her of her youth. She enjoyed eating pancakes, ice cream and listening to music, as she rode with her daughters across the city. She also found great comfort in spending time with her family and friends.

There's no doubt Janie left a giant mark of faith, hope and love in the hearts of those she loved and those who loved her.

Janie is preceded in death by her parents Rudolfo & Frances Bishop, her brothers Rudy & Santos Bishop, and sister Angelina Luna, and her granddaughter Janell Saenz.

She is survived by her husband Joe; children, Joe Jr., Jesse & Johnny Almaraz, Jeanette Saenz, Julie Wiley; eight grandchildren; one great grandson; and sister Margie Escobedo.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 14. 3:00 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/>

## Celebration of Life

DEC 14. 7:00 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/>

## Remembrance

DEC 15. 12:45 PM - 1:15 PM (CT)

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

## Interment

DEC 15. 1:45 PM (CT)

Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery  
1520 Harry Wurzbach  
San Antonio, TX 78209

# Tribute Wall



“ *Vivid Recollections was purchased for the family of Janie Bishop Almaraz.*



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December 12, 2016 at 05:36 PM



“ *I never had the pleasure of meeting this beautiful lady, but I've heard wonderful things about her from her beautiful and loving daughter, Julie.*

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**Helena Hummel** - December 09, 2016 at 07:31 AM



“ *This woman was like no other. She was unique in every way. She loved like God loves - unconditionally. She forgave those who sometimes caused her pain because she had a heart of pure gold. She put God first in all she did in this life. When she became a Christian, it was the "real deal." She walked her faith. I thank her for being an amazing mother and best friend. Rest in Heaven and I look forward the day we are together once again, eating those fluffy Heavenly pancakes! The BEST is yet to come, mamacita! I adore you and always will. Thank you for serving others so well, good and faithful servant a daughter of the Most High God. See you soon. Love, your julita girl.*

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**Julie Wiley** - December 08, 2016 at 09:59 PM

TE

“ I met Janie only once but she made a lasting impression. I'll always remember her kindness.



Teri - December 08, 2016 at 07:56 PM

LC

Tuve el honor de conocer a esa maravillosa mujer. Llena de vida, alegría, entera, de fe y de valores. El SEÑOR la tiene en su gloria! Gracias Janie por los momentos q compartimos. Te llevamos en el corazón

lily coronado - December 09, 2016 at 09:36 AM

MW

I will never forget your Mamacita, who is right at this very moment showing Jesus how to make pancakes and bacon. God bless you and your family, Julie. May your mother's love guide you through the rest of your life; and may the wonderful lessons she taught you remain in your kind and loving heart forever. Mary Ellen Walls

Mary Ellen Wals - December 10, 2016 at 02:57 PM

SF

We really are going to miss you're mom. I really had many laughs with you're mom, she was always happy & laughing & smiling. Were all going to miss hear. She is in Heaven, Happy & Smiling down all her family & friends. God Bless her, She was a wonderful & Beautiful Lady.  
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Sylvia E. Flores - December 14, 2016 at 04:12 PM

SG

I will always remember all the times when I was growing up. When we use to go shopping when a new mall would open. Janie would drive and mom and I would go. I will remember your laughter, your joking but most of all I will miss you. Rest in peace. Say hello to my dad.

Sylvia Ramos Garza - December 14, 2016 at 10:53 PM