



"Judy" Judith Ann Sumner

September 5, 1953 - October 23, 2023

Judith Ann 'Rabel' Sumner, born September 5, 1953 in San Antonio, Texas, went to be with God on Tuesday October 24, 2023. She was the middle child of five siblings, born to parents Anton John Rabel and Bernice Mary 'Waneck' Rabel of String Prairie, Texas. Known as Judy to most, she was 70 years old at the time of her passing. She is preceded in death by her husband David Allen Sumner, who we are certain greeted her with open arms at the gates to Heaven; She is also preceded in death by her brother Douglas Joseph Rabel, Mother Bernice Mary 'Waneck' Rabel, father Anton John Rabel and parents in law Bette Mae and Herbert "Bud" Allen Sumner. She is survived by her daughter Jennifer Ann Smith and husband Jeffrey Smith and son Jeffrey David Sumner. Her grandchildren Warren Cooper, Brooke Teegan, Kallen Reed, Hollee Ann and Zachary David. She is also survived by her siblings Alice and Tommy Magers, AJ and Nina Rabel, Bernie and Jerry Moore. She is survived by brothers in law Herbert Sumner Jr, John and Lynette Sumner, and Tim and Paula Sumner. She was beloved by numerous nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, extended family and friends.

Judy was dedicated to her faith, she always carried a rosary in her purse and had a cross in her pocket. She attended St. Mary Magdalen Catholic School as a child. Graduated from Edison High School class of 1971. She married David Sumner on September 12, 1981. They raised two children together and shared a love with them surrounded by faith and family.

Judy loved to have a good time, she loved to gather with family during the holidays and special occasions. She was so excited when her daughter, son and nieces and nephews began getting married, she would never miss a wedding or a reason to celebrate. When babies were born she shared in that excitement and did her best to never miss a baptism. You also might catch her at a BINGO or BUNCO game or find her at the annual Holy Name Casino Night. She loved to play dominos with her grandchildren or help them with homework, craft projects or baking in the kitchen. She loved to crochet and learned to sew as a child; her family would sew custom made clothing and quilts. She loved selling Mary Kay Makeup and enjoyed the fellowship with friends she made while also learning about Mary Kay. She loved to shop and also never passed up a clearance rack; she just loved to find a good deal.

She was a member of Holy Name Catholic Church, she worked at the school for many years and also volunteered her time in many aspects both at the church and the school. For a time she was a eucharistic minister. She will be remembered for her time in the office at Holy Name Catholic School; for always being that smiling face greeting everyone who entered. She was always willing to help at school, to answer questions, posting signs around the neighborhood, helping at the Halloween Carnival and she always had a smile while doing so. She will be dearly missed by the Holy Name Catholic School community; where she served since 1990.

When you really think about her life, all she ever wanted was to share her love with those around her. Her family was always at the center of her heart and mind. Although we wish we had more time with her, our beloved Mom and Grandma; we know God called her to our heavenly home. When thinking of our Mom we are reminded of the verse...There are three things that last: faith, hope and love, and the greatest of these is LOVE. - 1 Corinthians 13:13

Cemetery Details

Cover Cemetery

7709 New Sulphur Springs Rd.
San Antonio, TX 78263

Previous Events

Holy Rosary

NOV 7. 9:00 AM - 9:30 AM (CT)

Holy Name Catholic Church
3814 Nash Blvd
San Antonio, TX 78223

Final Viewing

NOV 7. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

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Funeral Mass

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Interment

NOV 7 (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Nat lit a candle in memory of "Judy" Judith Sumner*



Nat - November 07, 2023 at 05:31 PM

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“ *I was a student at Holy Name from pre-k 3 all the way to 7th grade. I remember whenever I was sick, feeling sad, hurt or one of her favorites my nose bleeds. Ms Judy was there for me through it all. She was patient and kind to me and she is forever cherished by myself, my brother, and my whole family. Rest in peace Ms Judy you had a huge impact on me.*

Nat - November 07, 2023 at 05:22 PM

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“ *To be sure, Judy had a peace and patience about her that shown forth through her bright smile. That's not always easy when you're running a School Office and serving as a Secretary, Nurse, Counselor, and Trusted Adult to a Grade School of 200 students. She did it with politeness and presence, and she did it for over 30 years. Holy Name School was like extended family to her and she joyfully offered her care and concern and sacrifice just as she did for her own family. She might have been a Mother of two, but she was "Maternal" to hundreds, if not thousands of kids. So hers was a light illumined by devotion, and faith, and hope, and now, an eternal flame of Love. We give thanks for the gift of Judy's life and offer our prayers that, in Christ, she remain forever in our hearts.*

George R. - November 06, 2023 at 04:51 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of "Judy" Judith Ann Sumner.*



November 06, 2023 at 03:32 PM



“ *When you think of Holy Name, you think of Ms. Judy. She was the heart of the school for the many, many years I attended Holy Name. I remember going to her when I was sick and laying on the little bed in her office area. She was always calm and patient, which is exactly what you need when you aren't feeling well. She was also the voice of the school, making announcements, leading us in prayer, and calling us to the office when our parents came to get us early. Really, hearing her voice was always welcome! What a legacy she left, with how many lives she touched. I'm so sorry to her family, and I hope the life she lived in such service to others makes you so proud. She will never be forgotten, and I don't say that to be cliché. One simply cannot think of their time at HN without remembering Ms. Judy.*

Katie - October 31, 2023 at 11:49 PM