



Julia R. Elwood

September 1, 1939 - June 26, 2022

Julia Rivera Elwood; a devoted wife to Ray O. Elwood Jr., mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother; was born in Elsa, Texas to Pedro Rivera Sr. and Juliana F. Rivera on September 1, 1939; and went to be with the Lord on June 26, 2022, at the age of 82.

Julia worked as a Teacher, Principal, Public Relations Officer at Gillis W. Long Hansen's Disease Center. She was a parishioner of Good Shepard Catholic Church and volunteered in many church ministries. She enjoyed sewing, reading, traveling, writing, walking, quilting, listening to music and singing; she especially loved coordinating family gatherings and reunions. Julia was a devoted Christian and will be missed dearly by all who knew her.

Julia is preceded in death by her beloved husband Ray O. Elwood, Jr., father Pedro Rivera, Sr., mother Juliana Farias Rivera, sisters; Ruby Salinas, Mary Rivas, and Noelia Yracheta, and brothers; Inez Rivera, and George Rivera, Sr.

Survivors include her loving children: Debra Elwood Haese (Harry), Ray Elwood, III (Sandra), Tina Elwood Castaneda (Carlos), Bert Elwood (Sylvia), Mark Elwood, Steve Elwood (Ruth), Debbie Elwood (Tony), Monica Elwood Frederic (Michael), Chitty Elwood DeMahy (Ted), 29 adored grandchildren, 46 cherished great-grandchildren and other family members and friends.

Pallbearers include Harry Haese, Jr., Derrick Haese, Gabriel Escobedo, Clynt Elwood, Tim Gonzales, Jr., Jacob Frederic, Michael Elwood and Hunter Sholar, honorary pallbearers will include grandsons and great-grandsons.

Visitation will begin on Wednesday, July 6, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. with a rosary to begin at 6:30 p.m. at Mission Park Funeral Chapels South - 1700 SE Military Drive - San Antonio, TX 78214. Funeral mass will be celebrated on Thursday, July 7, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. at Mission Espada Church - 10040 Espada Rd. - San Antonio, TX 78214; doors at the funeral home will open at 8:00 a.m.; with a procession to church at 9:30 a.m. Interment will follow at Mission Burial Park South. Reception to follow at Slattery Hall - 9006 Villamain Rd - San Antonio, TX 78214

For personal acknowledgement, you may sign the online guestbook at www.missionparks.com in the obituary section.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 6. 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels South, Cemeteries & Crematories
1700 SE Military Dr
San Antonio, TX 78214
(210) 924-4242
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Rosary

JUL 6. 6:30 PM (CT)

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1700 SE Military Dr
San Antonio, TX 78214
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Funeral Mass

JUL 7. 10:00 AM (CT)

San Francisco de la Espada Mission
10040 Espada Rd
San Antonio, TX 78214

Interment

JUL 7 (CT)

Mission Burial Park South
1700 SE Military Dr.
San Antonio, TX 78214
<http://www.missionparks.com>

Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Julia R. Elwood.*



July 06, 2022 at 02:11 PM



“ *Debbie, I had the pleasure of meeting your mother during sporting events in La Vernia. She was always a joy to talk with and her wit was incredible. I'll always remember her beautiful smile and concern for others. Julia may you rest in peace. Our deepest condolences to the family of Julia. Ronnie, Mary Jane & Family*

mary Jane neal - July 06, 2022 at 11:22 AM



“ *Patricia Bourgeois, kids and grand kids purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Julia R. Elwood.*



Patricia Bourgeois, kids and grand kids - July 06, 2022 at 11:16 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Julia R. Elwood.*



July 06, 2022 at 10:24 AM



“ *Aunt Mary; Larkin's; Arnheims & Cardenas purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Julia R. Elwood.*



Aunt Mary; Larkin's; Arnheims & Cardenas - July 06, 2022 at 10:05 AM



“ *The Molina Cousins purchased the Strength & So lace Spray for the family of Julia R. Elwood.*



The Molina Cousins - July 06, 2022 at 07:55 AM



“ *From the Sholar Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Julia R. Elwood.*



From the Sholar Family - July 05, 2022 at 07:17 PM

KF

“ Kyle & Leah Frederic purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Julia R. Elwood.



Kyle & Leah Frederic - July 05, 2022 at 03:51 PM

BO

“ Buddy & Linda Ohmstede purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Julia R. Elwood.



Buddy & Linda Ohmstede - July 05, 2022 at 12:27 PM

EF

“ Elizabeth Schexnyder, Curator, Friend purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Julia R. Elwood.



Elizabeth Schexnyder, Curator, Friend - July 05, 2022 at 12:05 PM

MP

“ So sorry for loss. I worked with your mother for many years at Carville. My mother and Father lived at Carville and remembered her when she came as a young woman. She made a positive impact at Carville for a very Negative looked at disease. She was a trailblazer and advocate for the patients and getting their lives and stories told to the world. Take your Rest , job well done.

Michael Peltier - July 05, 2022 at 10:47 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of *Julia R. Elwood*.



July 04, 2022 at 10:09 AM



“ *Mien Peltier* purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathi phyllum* for the family of *Julia R. Elwood*.



Mien Peltier - July 04, 2022 at 12:21 AM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray* was purchased for the family of *Julia R. Elwood*.



July 02, 2022 at 11:00 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish* was purchased for the family of *Julia R. Elwood*.



July 01, 2022 at 06:28 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Julia R. Elwood.*



July 01, 2022 at 04:43 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Julia R. Elwood.*



July 01, 2022 at 03:08 PM



“ *Rays of Light Spray was purchased for the family of Julia R. Elwood.*



July 01, 2022 at 01:39 PM