



## June Locke Daniels

June 26, 1926 - June 18, 2021

June Locke Daniels passed away June 18th, 2021 as her family held her hands and wished her a peaceful road and Godspeed on her journey.

June was born June 26, 1926 in Nashville, Tennessee and considered herself a Nashville girl at heart her whole life. Her fondest memories were of the summers she spent as a girl at the Locke family farm in the mountains of Tennessee. She married Fred Eugene Daniels during World War II and the couple moved to Germany at war's end as part of the US Occupation Force. It was a sobering, eye-opening experience that marked her for life. Her first two children were born there. Back in the U.S., June and Fred had two more children and lived in Houston and San Antonio.

June was a beauty who was known for a smile that could light up a room. People who met her remarked on her bubbly personality and cheerfulness and were charmed by her genuine interest in them. She made many friends because she truly loved to hear their stories of family, work, and life. One friend said of her, "Our conversations left my heart full. Her beauty was timeless. She was one in a million. I can only imagine the celebration in Heaven over her."

Underneath her Southern hostess demeanor was a solid layer of strength. She was devoted to her family and a source of comfort and encouragement to

them in hard times. She was generous with her love and so very thoughtful in actions and deeds. She raised her children with the freedom to find their own place in the world with no demands or expectations from her. She told her daughter, Debora, many times that if she wanted to spend her life raising goats on a mountainside it was fine with June. She said it so often that Debora finally asked, "Mom, do you WANT me to go raise goats on a mountainside?"

As her son, Ed Daniels, says, "You always knew you were loved."

She faced many challenges in life but met them with grit, loyalty, and commitment. Her deep love of family was most evident during the 18 years she cared for her husband after a debilitating stroke. Those who knew the hardship of that difficult season commented on her bravery, admiring her courage and her ability to remain vivacious and positive in the company of others. Her pastor called her, "steadfast and courageous." She was a rock for her family and drew strength and hope for herself from her unwavering life-long faith in God. This was a woman who truly demonstrated commitment to faith and family. She would make any sacrifice for her children. She believed in her children even when they felt low and cheered them on with her special brand of encouragement. She prayed constantly for her loved ones, interceding for them during difficulties and standing firm on their behalf. She was her family's rock in adversity. "She has always been a warrior Mom," says son, Les Daniels.

She found new joy with the birth of her grandsons and she was well known for her tender, delighted involvement in the life of her youngest grandson, Cosmo Albrecht. She helped raise him and gave him the greatest of gifts: unconditional love. She was a major presence in his life each and every day throughout his childhood. She liked to say he "put the gold in her golden years."

June treasured her old friends from First Presbyterian Church and The Southwest School of Art where as a docent she was energized by meeting people from all over the world. Beginning in her 70's, June was embraced by a new circle of friends, all young women who admired her faith, strength, and wisdom. One of these women, Tracey Keller, remarked, "There was always something royal about her. I've always thought of June as a queen."

She is and always will be a Grand Lady who was a true overcomer.

Her love and kindness will continue to lead us.

June was predeceased by her husband, Fred E. Daniels, her son, Fred E. (Danny) Daniels, Jr., and her brother Sam Locke. She is survived by her sister Nancy Locke Baird of Chicago, son Ed Daniels and wife Jeanne of Houston and Austin, son Les Daniels and wife Vicki of Springfield, MO, and daughter Debora Daniels Albrecht and husband Miguel Albrecht of San Antonio. Her beloved grandsons Brandon Daniels and Colton Daniels, with wife Victoria, reside in San Antonio. Cosmo Albrecht, raised in San Antonio, will live in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

In lieu of flowers, please honor June with a contribution to the charity of your choice.

A Private Graveside Service was conducted at Mission Burial Park North.

# Cemetery Details

## **Mission Burial Park North**

20900 IH 10 West  
San Antonio, TX 78257

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Debora, Your mother passed by me every Sunday at First Presbyterian church to sit a few rows closer to the chancel. I met her when we were in the same gallery viewing paintings in the McNay museum. Getting to know her and learning of her time at Lindenwood and her support of your father in Europe at the end of World War II, was a blessing from God. She was delightful-always smiling and positive. I will miss her and carry her in my heart always. May the love and peace of Christ comfort you and your family at this time.*

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**Judi Trotti** - June 29, 2021 at 02:53 AM

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“ *We have many happy memories of visiting with June and Fred at Cookie Hour at First Presbyterian Church! June always had a bright smile and was so fun to talk to. The picture posted with the obituary captures her perfectly.*

*Martha & Gordon Smith and Bob Collins*

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**Martha Smith** - June 27, 2021 at 10:42 PM

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“ June was the most wondrous sister a gal could have....and also much like a mother, as we were 20 years apart. Unfortunately for her, our mother had me just 6 weeks before her wedding.... .. so the story goes. But the rest of our lives together, especially after we lost our precious mother, were closely and profoundly connected, though living miles apart.... She was with me 100% during the tragic loss of my husband, Richard, and has given me the greatest niece and nephews in the world . Her faith in our Lord has been an inspiration to me all my life and has sealed my own precious relationship with God....I know she is in Heaven celebrating and that Heaven is celebrating her. Love to all the family and friends of June Locke Daniels!!!

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**Nancy Locke Baird** - June 21, 2021 at 07:48 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of June Locke Daniels.



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June 21, 2021 at 07:05 AM