



Kathleen Leticia "Tish" Rush

April 26, 1957 - September 15, 2025

Kathleen Leticia "Tish" Rush, 68, passed away on September 15th, 2025, in San Antonio, Texas. Born on April 26, 1957, in Ankara, Turkey she lived a life rich in family connection, heritage, and resilience. Tish was the fifth of eight children born to Adeline Engel Rush and Harold Joseph Rush. She grew up surrounded by a large and loving Air Force family that shaped her deep appreciation for tradition and kinship. A devoted mother and grandmother, Tish is survived by her two sons, Joseph Davila and Jacob Davila. Jake's wife Mallory and their children—Evan (4) and Blair (1)—brought immense joy to Tish's later years. She relished her role as Oma and delighted in every moment spent with Evan and Blair. Tish's bond with her siblings also remained strong throughout her life. She is survived by Skip Rush of Hawaii; Sharron Rush and Candice Moore of Austin; Mike Rush and Laurie Rush of San Antonio; and Lisa Sterba of Omaha, Nebraska. Her older sister Melanie Rush preceded her in death. Tish was also deeply connected to her many nieces and nephews, her mother's extended Central Texas fam and her father's East Coast relatives..

Tish attended high school at Clark Air Force Base in the Philippines, and has kept close connections with many of her classmates. Once you were Tish's friend, you were her friend for life. She worked hard – including in retail, health care, and as an insurance adjuster. But family and friends will always be at the heart of Tish's world. She had an extraordinary memory for birthdays,

anniversaries, and special occasions—not just for immediate family but for extended relatives as well. She served as a living chronicle for the Rush family, keeping everyone connected through time-honored celebrations.

As Tish married and made her own home, it was often filled with laughter and celebration. Alongside her former husband Frank Davila—who preceded her in death—she became known among the Davila cousins as the “fun aunt.” With everyone always welcome, their home became a hub for BBQs, games, music, and who could forget the frequent beach trips that left lasting memories for all? Tish also had an affinity for sports; from watching baseball with her dad as a youth to the humorous back and forth with Jake every time the Cowboys played the Eagles, she always loved a good game. Tish was proud of her hardworking, respectful, honest, and dependable sons and the values they live by. She herself was a hard worker, even continuing to work full-time through her subsequent medical issues. That, and the love of her boys, kept her going.

In 2013, Tish faced significant health challenges. Despite physical impairments that followed, she never lost her spirit or sense of humor. Her resilience inspired those around her as she continued to find ways to share laughter even through adversity. Kathleen Leticia "Tish" Rush will be remembered for her warmth, the strength she showed through hardship, and the love she gave to those around her. May her memory bring comfort to all who knew her. A Memorial Gathering will be held on October 19, 2025 from 10:00AM to 11:00 AM for visitation followed by services from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM at Mission Park Funeral Chapel 3401 Cherry Ridge Dr, San Antonio, Texas.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

OCT 19. 11:00 AM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall



“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Memory Rush - October 19, 2025 at 11:52 AM



“ Beloved Rush family and friends,
When we are young we tend to measure the worth of our life in terms of things like accomplishments, setting and reaching goals, and hard work and recognition. But one of the things I notice about getting older is that we begin to measure our life through a different lens. As I think back over time, I can see that after all, what really matters has been those simple special moments we have shared with others. We come to know that these are the things that endure in our mind and in our hearts.

I think back over the decades where I have been so blessed to experience many of those special moments with my beloved Rush family. I was unable to spend a lot of face-to-face time with Tish, but I remember moments like these that I shared with her— the kind of moments that much later you describe by saying, "it seems like only yesterday. One of those was the time around which I was visiting in San Antonio in the 1980's. Tish, who was at the time, very pregnant and due to give birth with her first child Joseph, actually went into labor on the day I was scheduled to fly out to return to Reno. Tish and I had talked about how great it would be if I was there for her delivery--and I think we were both a little disappointed to think I would be "just missing it." Mike, being the wonderful, considerate person that he always is, offered to take me to the hospital before driving me to the airport so we could at least spend some time together before I returned home. I remember how serene and happy Tish seemed lying there in the hospital bed, despite the in-between uncomfortable contractions. What a remarkable experience it was to share in these moments of Tish's anticipation of the baby to come! Some time later, she mailed me the photo that Mike had taken of us there in that hospital room. And I could relive those moments and remember how Tish had so generously invited me to feel her tummy and the baby's movements inside. What a gift this was to me! Along with the photo Tish also sent others of both of her beloved little boys. And over the years since then—oh my goodness—did Tish ever like to talk about her adored boys! I hold this wonderful moment and others like it, forever in my heart. They speak to me of Tish's quiet nature and the depth of her sensitivity and caring. I think about the

sound of her voice and her laughter. I know that she will be remembered for the special moments she gave to others and that she will be deeply missed by those who love her.

Memory Rush - October 19, 2025 at 11:50 AM

JJ

“ *Jeanette and Jeremy purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Kathleen Leticia "Tish" Rush.*



Jeanette and Jeremy - October 19, 2025 at 01:03 AM

DM

“ *Tish , I remember as a Joy and willing to help you no matter We work together at Albertsons and HCA. She always talk about Boys and family connections. Truly be missed.*



Debbie Mohan - October 15, 2025 at 12:20 PM



“ *Tish gave my mom a wonderful friendship that I will be forever grateful for.*

When I joined the airforce Tish told me how she joined to travel the world and ironically never left San Antonio. It was funny and we both laughed and I think about that often.

Lindsay Frazier - October 14, 2025 at 11:38 PM

EH

“ Tish was greatly loved. We worked together at Parallon / HCA. She was always a bright light and we joked often. She was so excited about her grandkids. I know she will be missed so much. May the Holy Spirit bring you all comfort. Rest in peace e sweet girl! 💕💕💕

Ellen Hightower - October 14, 2025 at 11:36 AM

AR

“ Adam Rodriguez purchased the Sweet Sincerity for the family of Kathleen Leticia "Tish" Rush.



Adam Rodriguez - October 12, 2025 at 06:56 PM

GM

“ I first met Tish on the job when I started at Parallon Business Solutions. We worked together for 7 yrs. Even after I left there, we stayed in touch. When my daughter and I moved into our new place together, Tish sent us the most beautiful little house warming gift.. a hanging air plant. She was always so thoughtful and her humor was AMAZING liker her. She will be missed. May all that knew her, find peace and comfort in the days ahead.

Georgia Martinez - October 10, 2025 at 10:23 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Kathleen Leticia "Tish" Rush.



October 10, 2025 at 11:49 AM