



## Linda Looney

March 11, 1925 - March 23, 2015

Jesus tenderly called to Linda – "Come Home Linda". Linda answered His beckoning call and passed away peacefully on Monday, March 23, 2015 at her beloved home in San Antonio, Texas as she requested. She "slipped the surly bonds of earth, put out her hand and touched the face of God". Linda was a native San Antonian. She graduated from Jefferson High School and attended San Antonio College, The University of Texas at San Antonio and Trinity University. She received an Associate Degree. She graduated from International Bible College and taught there after graduating. Linda truly loved the Lord with all her heart and soul. She was in her 22nd reading of the Bible - Genesis through Revelation. Linda met the love of her life, Robert, in August 1956. He was in the Air Force and she in Civil Service. They both worked in an old three story building on East Kelly AFB. The building had no air conditioning or elevators and they would meet in passing on the stairway. Linda did not have a car and was in a car pool. One day Robert offered her a ride home. Linda accepted and cancelled her car pool that same day. Her soon to be husband drove her home that day and he drove her home for the next 58 years. They were both transferred to Travis AFB in California in June 1958. Linda and Robert had such wonderful times in California visiting Disney Land, Knotts Berry Farm, Carmel By the Sea, Yosemite National Park, San Francisco, the wineries in Napa Valley and snow skiing at Squaw Valley at Lake Tahoe. The 1960 Winter Olympics were held at Squaw Valley while they were there. Of course, the most wonderful event was the arrival of their

precious daughter, Patricia who was born at the Base Hospital at Travis AFB. Linda had an abiding faith in her Lord, Jesus Christ and she was totally devoted to her family whom she loved

With an unconditional love. She introduced Patricia to Jesus at an early age and later led Robert to his Salvation. This was a monumental achievement and a credit to her persistence in this matter. After moving back to San Antonio, Linda continued her Civil Service Career at Brooks AFB. She worked for the Air Force for more than 33 years and received many awards and citations for Sustained Superior Performance. Her duties required her to interact with high ranking Air Force Personnel including the General Officer ranks. Linda dearly loved the Air Force especially her Air Force Sergeant who she referred to as her transplanted Texan from Tennessee. Linda worked in the School of Aerospace Medicine at Brooks AFB and President Kennedy came to Brooks to dedicate the school buildings in November 1963. Linda was on the Presidential Welcoming Committee and her assignment was to hold the door open for the President and his entourage to enter the building. Jackie Kennedy took the time to stop and thank Linda for holding the door open, shook hands with Linda and they chatted for a few moments. Linda never forgot meeting Jackie Kennedy and always remarked about what a gracious and lovely lady she was. Sadly, we all remember what happened the next day in Dallas. Linda loved to travel. After retiring, she made several trips to Europe, visiting England, France, Germany, Austria, Italy and Switzerland. Being a talented artist herself she loved visiting the art museums and castles. Linda is survived by her husband, Robert, daughter, Patricia and husband, Patrick Gueldner, Grandson Tyler Gueldner, Granddaughter Kayla Gueldner Hazel and husband Tyler Hazel. Great Granddaughter Emerson Faith Hazel Emme, brothers Ralph and Reynolds and sister Elizabeth and numerous nieces and nephews. The angels arrived to transport Linda to Heaven in her private aircraft. The craft touched down in Heaven and taxied down the runway to Base Operations. Standing there, waiting to greet her was her Commander-in-Chief, Jesus Christ. One can imagine the greeting with Jesus

saying "Welcome Home my true and faithful servant" "How was your flight?" and Linda replying, "It was just Heavenly".

And all the Angels in Heaven rejoiced and celebrated her arrival.

## SERVICES

A Graveside Service for family and friends will be on Thursday, March 26, 2015 at 9:00 A.M. at Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery with Glen Hoffman officiating.