



## Margie Y. Duke

March 29, 1926 - February 16, 2026

Margie Y. Duke entered eternal rest on February 16, 2026 at the age of 99.

She was born on

March 29, 1926 in Arkadelphia, Arkansas to Reuben Luther and Margie Ann (Harris)

Yarbrough.

Margie is preceded in death by her parents; beloved husband, Charles D. Duke, Sr.; her

sisters Sarah/husband Mack; and Ruth/husband Hiram. She leaves behind to cherish her

memory her daughter, Charlene Bustos and favorite son-in-law JJ; her son Charles D. Duke,

Jr. and wife Karin; and son Brian Keith Duke. She was blessed to have 9 grandchildren, 23

great-grandchildren, and 1 great-great grandchild. She is lovingly survived by numerous

nieces and nephews across several states.

Margie's accomplishments include training as a cadet Army nurse during World War II at

Baptist Health Systems in San Antonio, graduating soon after the end of the war as a

registered nurse (RN). Her passion for medically caring for and nurturing others spanned

across several decades in her work as a nurse in nursing homes, as a visiting nurse, and as one of the first school nurses in Texas. Another passion Margie had was singing and directing the church choir at the Methodist Church in Somerset, Texas. Her favorite song was always Jesus Loves Me. She met the love of her life Charles Duke on a blind date while completing her nurse training – and their love transpired across the decades, living for a short time in San Antonio, then moving to Somerset on a ranch (43 years), and finally to Bandera. They loved dancing the jitterbug and a smooth waltz. They were married for 56 years before Charles passed in Feb 2004.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, February 26, 2026 from 4:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M. at Mission Park Funeral Chapels South, 1700 SE Military Drive. A graveside service will be celebrated at 9:00 A.M. on Friday, February 27, 2026 at Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery where she will be laid to rest with her beloved Charles.

\*\* Instead of flowers – please make donations to Concho Hearts Hospice (send a check to local address or online digital): 706 Knickerbocker Rd, San Angelo TX 76903; online <https://www.conchoheartshospice.com/donate>

# Cemetery Details

## **Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery**

1520 Harry Wurzbach  
San Antonio, TX 78209

# Previous Events

## **Visitation**

FEB **26**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels South  
1700 SE. Military Dr.  
San Antonio, TX 78214

# Tribute Wall

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“ My dear sweet Aunt Margie Ann... Always with a smile and always willing to help somebody else, she brought joy to everyone that she met! She made sure that all of us kids (hers, nieces, and nephews) got the Yarborough meal blessing and the birthday blessing that came from her dad and our grandpa! I remember when she took a hand stitched quilt from her grandmother and sent me (and others) a framed square of that quilt... mine is hanging in my sewing room which I think is a very appropriate place for it ❤️ As I related to my children that their Great Aunt Margie Ann had passed into glory, one of my children said, " she was absolutely my most favorite aunt". Indeed she was with her ready smile and warm hug and genuine concern for you!!! She will be sorely missed ❤️

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**Donna Newton** - February 28 at 02:12 PM

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“ Wanda Holik lit a candle in memory of Margie Y. Duke



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**Wanda Holik** - February 24 at 08:49 PM