



## Maria M. Leonard

August 11, 1956 - November 18, 2019

It is with great sadness that the family of Maria Perez Leonard announces her passing after battling cancer on Monday, November 18, 2019 at the age of 63 at the University of Chicago Hospital surrounded by family.

Maria was born in San Antonio, Texas on August 11, 1956. She is preceded in death by her parents, Adrian Perez Sr. and Dominga E. Perez, and her second child Jose Leopoldo Carrisal. Maria will be lovingly remembered by her husband of 25 years, Kevin and her children, Martin (Naomi), Tim (Allison), and Melissa. Maria will also be fondly remembered by her three grandchildren, Dominic, Adrian, and Cameron, by her seven sisters and five brothers, Elvira (Johnny), Maria Alicia (Jesse), Maria Yolanda, Adrian Jr. (Irma), Juan Jesus (Samuel), Victor (Irene), Maria Dominga, Maria Delfina (Larry), Maria Josefina, Maria Floricita (Jacob), Mariano (Rose), and Robert. Maria will also be forever remembered by her numerous nieces, nephews, extended family, dear friends, and the community.

Maria was an active member of Corpus Christi Catholic Church of South Bend, IN. She also volunteered her time with Hope Ministries and visiting the Sisters of Holy Cross. She worked for The University of Notre Dame for 18 years before retiring in 2018. She spent many Saturdays cheering for the Fighting Irish. Maria's life was rooted and guided by her Catholic faith—she was the type of person who would do anything for anyone. Maria truly lived by

the golden rule every day of her life.

Visitations will be held at Palm Heights Mortuary. The first visitation will be held from 5-9 p.m. on Monday (11/25). The second visitation will be held from 5-9 p.m. on Tuesday (11/26) with a rosary at 7 p.m. The funeral mass will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, November 27, 2019 at Our Lady of the Angels with Revered Bill Kraus officiating. Following the funeral mass will be the burial at Mission Burial Park South.

Those who so desire may send flowers to Palm Heights Mortuary or make memorial donations in memory of Maria Leonard to the Hope Ministries in South Bend, IN (<https://hopesb.org/hope-ministries-donate>).

# Cemetery Details

## Mission Burial Park South

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **25**. 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

Palm Heights Mortuary  
3711 S Zarzamora St  
San Antonio, TX 78225  
(210) 924-4568  
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

## Visitation

NOV **26**. 4:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

Palm Heights Mortuary  
3711 S Zarzamora St  
San Antonio, TX 78225  
(210) 924-4568  
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

## Rosary

NOV **26**. 7:00 PM (CT)

Palm Heights Mortuary  
3711 S Zarzamora St  
San Antonio, TX 78225  
(210) 924-4568  
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

## Procession

NOV **27**. 9:30 AM (CT)

Palm Heights Mortuary  
3711 S Zarzamora St  
San Antonio, TX 78225  
(210) 924-4568  
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

## Mass

NOV **27**. 10:00 AM.

Our Lady Of Angels Catholic Church  
1214 Stonewall  
San Antonio, TX

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mission Park Funeral Chapels & Cemeteries created a Tribute Video in memory of Maria M. Leonard*



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**Mission Park Funeral Chapels & Cemetery** - November 25, 2019 at 10:28 AM

KH

“ *Kevin, Timothy (Timmy), and Melissa (Melly} my heart is very heavy and sadden at the loss of my friend Maria. When I heard the news I could not believe it. I just saw her at Jamaal's last birthday dinner at Olive Garden. My memory is when we were neighbors at Cross Creek and helping her take care of Melissa. we say each other every day and we talked all the time. When we moved she was right over there helping us pack. We celebrated together when Melly recovered. I am going to miss her so much but the memories will always be there. Im just sorry that we had lost touched in the last year but she has always remained in my thoughts and prayers. May she rest in peace and may God surround you all with peace and comfort during this time. Love you all Herb, Kim and Jamaal Henley.*

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**Kimberly Henley** - November 29, 2019 at 12:47 PM

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“ I loved Maria. She was a great friend and coworker. She loved working at Notre Dame and would still be there if she hadn't gotten ill. Her family and her faith were most important to her. Through the struggles she was always up beat and her faith was on display for all to see. If I had a problem, she would always say “just pray, trust in God and you will get through it”. This is the way Maria led her life and I was so fortunate to be a small part of it. You are greatly missed Maria. Thank you for all the joy and fun we had together at Notre Dame.

Norma

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**Norma Rhoades** - November 28, 2019 at 01:06 PM

BA

“ I worked with Maria, enjoying many laughs and tears over the years. When she left us in Account's Payable due to her illness an emptiness filled the department. So many memories cherished. Maria was fun and she was strong in her faith. She was the "rock" when it came to family. She was an inspiration to all who new her. I will miss you; however your love will continue always.

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**Bobbie Anderson** - November 26, 2019 at 06:58 PM

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“ Maria loved the staff and Sisters of the Holy Cross. She was a dedicated volunteer who quickly became their friend. She loved her weekly visits doing crafts and games and sitting outside by the fountain with them in the summer. She was a volunteer and friend who truly gave from her heart. Last time that I saw Maria was at Tim's wedding and she was just beautiful and so happy. That's the memory that will stay with me. Beautiful inside and out.  
Respectfully and Lovingly,  
Lee Ann Moore

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**Lee Ann Moore** - November 26, 2019 at 05:22 PM

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“ God's Love and comfort in the Risen Jesus Kevin and family! I loved the visits and times I had with Maria and she was a kind, loving and faith filled person. I will offer a Mass for her and will light a candle at the Grotto. May she rest in peace,

Sincerely in Notre Dame,

Fr. Jim Bracke csc  
ND Staff Chaplain

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Fr. Jim Bracke csc - November 26, 2019 at 03:18 PM

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“ Well done, well done My good and faithful one. Welcome to the place where you belong. You have run the race and now you're home. Welcome to the place where you belong. Well done, well done My good and faithful one.

I know you are in God's hands.

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Denise Emo - November 25, 2019 at 08:35 PM

GB

Sing with the angels 4 life hacks just because

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Glenn Bonner - November 26, 2019 at 12:17 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Maria M. Leonard.



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November 25, 2019 at 10:58 AM