



## Maria Oriana Miller

March 5, 1933 - December 13, 2018

Maria Oriana was born in Santiago, Chile March 5, 1933 and died in San Antonio, Texas on December 13, 2018. Her parents were Dr. Oscar Illanes Benitez and Oriana Edwards de Ferari, both deceased. Oriana attended French and American schools. She married engineer Wayne V. Miller on December 4, 1955. She followed her spouse in various assignments to Bolivia and Venezuela. Oriana became a naturalized citizen in 1960. She and Wayne settled in the USA in 1969 and spent 12 years in Florida near the Space Center. They moved to San Antonio in 1981. Oriana worked in various positions at the University of Texas Health Science Center while continuing her education as a librarian and media specialist. After surviving cancer and after retirement she volunteered for 16 years at Our Lady of the Atonement Academy. During her tenure there she founded the school library. Surviving Oriana are her husband of 63 years, Wayne V. Miller, daughter Denise Miller Hicks and spouse Dr. Jeffery Hicks; son Gregory Miller and spouse Dr. Roseann Ulmer Miller and their two sons Ethan and Liam; son Dr. Christopher Miller and spouse Dr. Joy Ray Miller and sons Colin and Jasper, daughter Taylor and her son Cain; son Dr. Michael Miller and son Philip, daughter Alexandra (mother Michelle Ratchford) and Monica (mother Gladys Medina Miller); brother Oscar Illanes, Esq. and spouse Gloria Bezanilla Illanes. She was preceded in death by brother Ricardo Illanes. Oriana charmed all with her classic beauty and warmth. In her spare time she knitted, cooked and entertained. She was a devout Catholic holding steadfast to her faith.

A 10:00 a.m., Funeral Mass will be celebrated at St. Matthew's Catholic Church on Wednesday, December 26, 2018 with inurnment to follow at the Adoration Chapel of Our Lady of the Atonement Catholic Church. In lieu of flowers donation may be made to the Alzheimer's Association ([act.alz.org/donate](http://act.alz.org/donate))

# Previous Events

## Funeral Mass

DEC **26**. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Matthew Catholic Church  
10703 Wurzbach Rd  
San Antonio, TX 78230

## Inurnment

DEC **26**. 11:30 AM (CT)

Our Lady of Atonement Catholic Church  
15415 Red Robin Road  
San Antonio, TX 78255