



Mary Lee Reyna

April 20, 1934 - October 17, 2021

Mary Lee Reyna (Maria Theresa Muñoz), age 87, passed away on October 17, 2021 in San Antonio, Texas. She was born on April 20, 1934 in Eagle Lake, Texas. She was a beloved wife, mother, sister, aunt, grandmother and great grandmother who will be deeply missed.

Mary Lee was preceded in death by her husband, Benjamin Reyna, her sister Adelina Sánchez, brother John Nick Muñoz, mother Maria Theresa Aguirre, father Nick V. Muñoz and daughter Beverly J Garza and great granddaughter Laney Marie Arriaga.

She is survived by her son Benjamin Reyna, daughter Barbara Ready, daughter Belle Reyna, son Barry Reyna and wife Brenda Reyna, grandsons Charles Arriaga, Barry And Joshua Reyna, granddaughters Jessica Reyna Worthington and husband Matt Worthington, Virginia Reyna Dunne, Bridgit Ready and Ruby Reyna. Great grandchildren Liliana Arriaga. James And Henry Dunne, Amelia and Emanuel Worthington, Aiden Winger. Brothers Nick, Dan, Teddy, Mark, Manuel, Larry Muñoz, sisters Gloria Villalobos, Deanna Serna, Yolanda Cuellar, Nancy Stasney and Lisa Willis.

Mary Lee was who was a educator who spent 44 years working in the Edgewood Independent School District. For many years she advocated for so many people in her community, other educators, and her students. In the

1970's she helped her husband run the Majestic Man's Shop a clothing store downtown at Houston and St. Mary's. The San Antonio Express-News wrote an article about her titled "The teacher who tailored clothes for James Brown and Willie Nelson."

Special memory:

My sister, Mary Lee Muñoz Reyna, was the very best Big Sister anyone could ever have. She was always there for me, my teacher, my mentor, my friend. She taught me so much. She taught me how to swim(in the river), to roller skate, play softball and how to ride my bike. She also taught me how to sew and when I was 15 she taught me how to drive my dad's Pickup. We laughed a lot as I struggled with the clutch and shifting gears.

One memory that stands out so vividly in my mind is what she did for me for my 13th Birthday. She had me ride the Greyhound bus from San Marcos, to San Antonio, where she was working. She met me at the bus station and she took me to have lunch at the Manhattan Cafe on Houston st. Then we went to see a movie at the Majestic Theater. After that we went across the street to Carl's where she bought me a beautiful green dress and my first perfume, Elizabeth Arden's Blue Grass. She made me feel so special, but more than that, she showed me by example how we should live by the Golden Rule and treat others the way we want to be treated. Mary Lee was very intelligent and had a great sense of humor. She excelled in everything she did. I thank God for her and will miss her until I see her again. Praise God for the Hope of Glory, we will be reunited someday.

Deanna Muñoz Serna

My sister Mary Lee was in her first year of college when I started first grade. She was sixteen when she graduated from high school and the following year she enrolled at Texas State University. She was my mentor, counselor, advocate and protector. She would tell me, "You are as smart as everyone

else and just believe in yourself. Do not give up working towards your degree and before you know it, you will graduate from college.” I could always call her for help and she would walk me through my problems and my insecurities. When I was in the first grade a friend of mine and I decided not to attend class, (better known as skipping class). I was having a great time playing on the school grounds until I saw my sister standing before me. “What are you doing out of class?” She was not angry but direct. In firm voice she said “school is important because you need to learn to read and you need to stay in class.” I walked home with Mary Lee and wondered if she was going to tell my mother. As we walk back to the house she continue to talk about the importance of education when mother saw us walking home together, she commented that it was so nice to see my big sister walking me home from school. Mary Lee agreed that we had a chance to talk and walk home together she did not mention anything about my truancy. It was our secret. I love my sister for always being there for me throughout my life.

Gloria Muñoz Villalobos

Cemetery Details

Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery

1520 Harry Wurzbach
San Antonio, TX 78209

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 9. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

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

Funeral Service

NOV 10. 9:00 AM (CT)

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Interment

NOV **10**. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ My condolences to the family. Mrs. Reyna was my daughter’s first grade teacher at Roosevelt Elementary. She was an awesome person. May she Rest In Peace.



Alice Acuna - November 09, 2021 at 08:37 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Mary Lee Reyna.



November 09, 2021 at 06:22 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mary Lee Reyna.



November 09, 2021 at 02:07 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mary Lee Reyna.



November 08, 2021 at 03:27 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Lee Reyna.*



November 08, 2021 at 01:59 PM



“ *Your friends from Bulverde Airport. purchased the Bright and Beautiful Spray for the family of Mary Lee Reyna.*



Your friends from Bulverde Airport. - November 08, 2021 at 11:46 AM



“ *Ringed by Love was purchased for the family of Mary Lee Reyna.*



November 08, 2021 at 11:40 AM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Mary Lee Reyna.*



November 08, 2021 at 10:09 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Mary Lee Reyna.



November 07, 2021 at 10:40 PM



“ *I have many special memories about Mary Lee. When I got my first teaching job in Edgewood she was across the hall. She was always very helpful and we became good friends. After awhile she invited Joe and I to her home for supper. We spent many evenings making pancakes or going to eat "thins" at Earl Abels. After eating we would watch Glen Campbell and Sonny and Cher. Benji would take care of Caroline when we ate supper at their house. Other times Bennie and Mary Lee would come to our house to watch the Tonight Show with Johnny Carson. When Bennie added the big den in the back, Joe helped him. We enjoyed many parties at the Reyna's home-school parties and the famous New Year's Eve celebrations. When the fireworks were over we would eat homemade menudo. Over 50 years of friendship is a blessing. A friend loveth at all times.*
(Proverbs)

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