



## Mary Louise Shuler

May 11, 1942 - February 1, 2025

Mary Louise Shuler met her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, at 3:24 p.m. on Saturday, February 1, 2025, at the age of 82, in her home in San Antonio, Texas.

She is preceded in death by her beloved husband of 49 years William "Ed" Shuler; her parents Larry N. Alexander and Cleo Tumlinson Alexander; her son-in-law Allen Wright and adopted sister Mary Orcutt.

She is survived by her daughters Linda Wright, Marian Ingram (Randy) and Katherine Pruitt; brother, James Alexander (Terri); grandchildren Emily Ingram, Mary Cox and Miley Ratliff; grandpup Ry and great-grandpups Oobi and Sandy and many other family members and friends.

Mary was born in New Braunfels, Texas on May 11, 1942. In April 1961, at the age of 18, before graduating high school, she married her high school sweetheart and love of her life, Ed. It was clear to anyone paying attention that she loved him and he loved her. Their love story lasted until his death in 2010.

After graduating Harlandale High School, and having only been out of Texas a few times, she followed Ed to Germany. They left as a family of 2 but returned as a family of 3 with their first daughter, Linda. Germany was the first of many

places Mary and Ed would go. Okinawa, Japan was next and then San Angelo, Texas, where she had their second daughter, Marian. Next on their adventure was San Marcos, Texas, and finally Colorado where Mary was instrumental in helping Ed with the Air Force ROTC Cadets. Being an Air Force Sergeant's wife allowed her to see places she never dreamed of seeing.

Mary was a strong and kindhearted woman who never met a stranger - only future family members to "adopt". Her home and heart were always open. She deeply loved and cared for many people over the years. When her granddaughter Mary Cox was born prematurely, and could not be released from the hospital, Mary made her home available to Katie, a friend who became a daughter, and her husband, to stay until baby Mary could be released. This gesture of love and compassion was extra special as Mary and Ed's home was from that point on considered to be the first home Mary Cox would know.

Mary's great love for her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ was evident through her life as she served Him and prayed for those around her. She considered Woodlake Baptist Church in San Antonio, Texas, her church home and that is where she could be found – usually in the church's kitchen or fellowship hall - preparing food and decorations for church functions. She also enjoyed serving with Ed on mission trips.

She was a quiet helper. She would work herself with all she had and never wanted any recognition for it. Besides helping at church with countless showers and potlucks, she also helped with every family occasion: weddings, showers, birthdays, graduations, holidays, ski trips, picnics and so forth.

The family will always fondly remember how she used her time and talents to show us her love. Some of our favorites are: the hand beaded lace she did for

our formal dresses, bouquets made for our weddings, fabric roses which were sewn, wrapped secured on a floral pick with wire, and then filled with bird seed for a newlywed's farewell. Hours of devoted love in action. And, we can't forget the countless chicken salad sandwiches and fried chicken her family and many Air Force ROTC cadets enjoyed.

She called people "Honey" or "Hun" - because that is what every good southern lady calls the young women and men around them.

Mary loved to travel with her family and was blessed to take family trips all over America. She enjoyed fishing and walking along the beach to hunt for seashells. For her it was not about where they went, but that she was there with them, her family. With her family is where she loved to be.

To be in Mary's presence was to be at home. She demonstrated love in everything she did, loved with all she had, loved like Jesus loves, and by example taught those around her how to love. Mary Louise Shuler was someone very special and those of us who love her most consider ourselves truly blessed to have received her love in return and to know she prayed for us all.

Mary, you are already missed, you will never be forgotten and we trust that God has now shown you how many lives you touched both directly and indirectly as the love you shared rippled through the world.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, February 13, 2025 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Mission Park Funeral Chapels South. Funeral Service will be celebrated on Friday, February 14, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. at Mission Park Funeral Chapels South. Interment will follow at 1:00 p.m. at San Fernando Cemetery III.



# Cemetery Details

## San Fernando Cemetery III

1735 Cupples Rd.  
San Antonio, TX 78226

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 13. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels South, Cemeteries & Crematories  
1700 SE Military Dr  
San Antonio, TX 78214  
(210) 924-4242  
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

## Funeral Service

FEB 14. 11:00 AM (CT)

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San Antonio, TX 78214  
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## Interment

FEB 14. 1:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

CC

“ I will sincerely miss Mary’s stories of her meeting her husband and how they raised their daughter, Linda. Mary always greeted me with a sun y face when I would be there. My deepest sympathy to her family and prayers for them

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**carol Cederstrom** - February 14, 2025 at 11:17 AM

CF

“ Claire Perry and family purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Mary Louise Shuler.



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**Claire Perry and family** - February 12, 2025 at 02:05 PM

DT

“ Dolores (Dee) Tumlinson-Duderstadt purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Mary Louise Shuler.



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**Dolores (Dee) Tumlinson-Duderstadt** - February 10, 2025 at 01:47 AM

WR

“ My deepest sympathies for the family. I may not have known “momma” personally but she was always a ray of sunshine. I truly am going to miss seeing her smiling face and seeing her “dance it out”. Fly high momma we know you will be watching over us.

Wren💖

wren - February 08, 2025 at 09:36 PM

MB

“ My sincerest condolences to the family. I never had the pleasure of meeting Mary in person, but it sure felt I knew her as if I had; that's the kind of personality she exuded, right up until the end. I will miss seeing her beautiful face. I know she was well and truly loved, and gave so much love in return. She will be missed and always kept in our hearts.

Sending my love and condolences.



Melissa "Bella" Bucher - February 08, 2025 at 08:24 AM

JG

“ My deepest and sincerest condolences to you Linda & your family ❤️ she had a pure & golden heart and saw the good in everyone. May you find eternal rest & peace ❤️ you surely will be missed 🌹 until we meet again. God bless 🙏👉❤️🌹 #prayers



Juanita “Jenny” Garachana - February 07, 2025 at 10:44 PM

MC

“ I have had many memories that I am found of with my Nana. If I had to pick certain ones it would be when I got her to talk about all the different trips she went on with her husband Ed. She would talk in a certain way that it seems like she just left those places yesterday. She also had a way of always making you feel loved and special. We all love you and miss you greatly. I know you are still watching over us in a new way but we feel you and love you just like you are still here with us. Love and miss you greatly



Mary Cox - February 07, 2025 at 10:37 PM

LS

“ Mama, I love you and miss you so much. Thank you for allowing me to take care of you. I hope you realize now, that through it all, it was never a burden but a blessing. It is something I wouldn't hesitate to do all over again. I'm happy you get to be with the 2 that you loved the most in your life, The Lord and Daddy. You are with Allen and the so many that went before you also. What a reunion you must have had. Try not to rearrange too much, that things can't be found when they are needed. And save some crystal fish in the Crystal Sea for me to catch when I am able to join y'all. Just know I love you alot.



Linda Ann Shuler-Wright - February 07, 2025 at 10:21 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Louise Shuler.



February 07, 2025 at 08:13 PM