



Mary D. Tafolla

December 29, 1917 - January 12, 2017

Maria Duarte Tafolla, 99, was born on a pineapple plantation in Waialua, Hawaii, married a San Antonio sailor, survived Pearl Harbor, saved three lives, fed many visitors and strangers, and voted in every election, including the 2016 Presidential Election. Predeceased by her parents Rafael and Josefina Duarte, 5 siblings, husband Mariano Tafolla, daughter Eloise Tafolla, and granddaughter Cielos Tafolla Bernal, she is survived by an older sister, Teresa Perreira, 101, sister Carmen Boerner, brother Frankie Duarte, daughter Dr. Carmen Tafolla (Dr. Ernesto Bernal); grandchildren Vince Scoma, Steve Scoma, Michael Scoma, David Hernandez, Marilinda Bernal, Israel Bernal, and Ariana Bernal; 5 great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews. She made people laugh and inspired us all with her spiritual strength and determination. Her family was told by doctors that she would not make the night in 1954. Sure enough, she died - 63 years later, after most of her doctors had long since passed. Her faith and spirit defied limits. The family wishes to thank all her visitors, especially Rosie, Joyce, Norma, and Juliet, as well as the nursing staff at Chandler. Sunday Jan 22, Viewing 4pm, Memorial, 7pm; Funeral, Monday 23rd, 10 a.m. Both services will be at Alamo Funeral Home. Burial will be at Bluebonnet Cemetery in Somerset, Texas.

Cemetery Details

Bluebonnet Cemetery

Somerset, TX

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 22. 4:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

Alamo Funeral Chapels
624 N Alamo St
San Antonio, TX 78215
(210) 554-5000
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Prayer Service

JAN 22. 7:00 PM (CT)

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Service

JAN 23. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Donna (Westlake) Cohen lit a candle in memory of Mary D. Tafolla*



Donna (Westlake) Cohen - December 14, 2017 at 05:28 PM