



## Mary Turner

September 6, 1914 - October 2, 2005

On October 2, 2005 Mary "Luisa" Turner decided she was ready to join her parents, brothers and sisters and God agreed that after 91 years on earth she should reunite with them in His heavenly kingdom. Mary Turner was born Mary Louise Martin in Rio Grande City, Texas on September 6, 1914 to William and Lucy Martin. Her brothers and sisters included William Martin, Samuel Martin, Ralph Martin, Robert Martin, Bertha Martin Garcia and Eva Martin Margo. At age 6, Luisa moved with her family to begin a long life in San Antonio. She attended Bonhem Elementary, Page Middle School and graduated from Brackenridge High School. While growing up, Luisa was an enthusiastic apprentice to her mother's skill at sewing and embroidery which resulted in Luisa teaching sewing for the Singer Sewing Company. Mary Luisa Turner was a proud patriot. During World War II, she worked at the Arsenal to show her support of the war effort. On September 12, 1942 Luisa married an enlisted GI, Raymond Turner who she loved and supported throughout his 30 years of U.S. Army service and 30 years of Civil Service. During Operation Desert Storm, she wrote letters of encouragement to soldiers fighting abroad. On all the various national holidays, she never failed to proudly display our U.S. flag. Mary believed strongly in many causes and was very civic minded. She was a Brownie Scout leader and Boy Scout den mother. When the call went out for community volunteers to help with the Summer Olympic competitions at the Alamodome, she immediately volunteered her time. Mary has been involved with several Senior Citizens groups including the Home

League of the Salvation Army. Her participation in all the activities sponsored by the Salvation Army was a very important part of her life. Mary always wanted to be current on world and local affairs. She read the newspaper everyday and was an avid watcher of CNN. There does not exist a more faithful fan of the San Antonio Spurs or the Dallas Cowboys than Mary Turner. She never missed a game whether it was on TV or the radio. And when she chose a political candidate to support, she campaigned for them. Mary was also a member of the Golden Age Group at St. Paul's Catholic Church. "Aunt Lalu", as she was affectionately called by her many nieces and nephews, had a lot of spunk, energy and enthusiasm in whatever project she undertook and was always willing to nurse the sick, babysit the young and extend her compassion when needed. Luisa was a loving and supportive mother to her children, Patricia Blaschke DeVeau and Raymond Charles Turner. She especially cherished her grandchildren Andrea Blaschke Johnson, Robert Blaschke, Regan Turner, and Lorrie Turner and her great-grand children, Sara and Rory. She will be greatly missed.

### Service

Visitation will begin on Thursday, October 6, 2005 at 6:00 pm with a rosary to be recited at 7:00 pm at Mission Park Funeral Chapels North. The mass will be celebrated on Friday, October 7, 2005 at St. Paul's Catholic Church at 9:30 a.m. with interment to follow at Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family asks for donations to Luisa's favorite charity, the Cancer Society.

# Tribute Wall

JL

“ Dearest Patsy, Ray and Family:  
*I have had you on my mind so much these past few days. We could not be with you for Mrs. T's funeral but I know you know that we were with you in spirit. I cannot see to drive at night and we left town on Friday. Just know*

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**Judith Loredo** - October 11, 2005 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ *I'm very sorry for your loss. Sorry I haven't kept in touch. I will always treasure your "Turner" stories about all your adventures with Carlos Gonzalez and Rich Harrell also sends his condolences. God Bless you and Your family,*  
Chaz

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**Chaz Garza** - October 07, 2005 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ *My deepest sympathies to your family for your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers.*  
Sincerely,  
Melissa Priest

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**Melissa Priest** - October 06, 2005 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ *I met Mrs. Turner when Raymond and I were in the 7th. grade at Horace Mann Jr. High. Raymond is my oldest and dearest friend and we have ridden some pretty rough trails together over all these years. My "Buddy" has always been there for me and I am here f*

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**John Reeves** - October 06, 2005 at 12:00 AM

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“ *On behalf of the staff at [Funeralsoft.com](http://Funeralsoft.com), we extend our sincerest condolences on the loss of your loved one.*

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**Funeralsoft.com** - October 05, 2005 at 12:00 AM