



Norma Jean Nail

December 15, 1932 - July 13, 2025

Norma Jean (Hayes) Nail was born on December 15, 1932, in Buffalo, New York and entered rest with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on July 13, 2025, in San Antonio, Texas.

After graduating from nursing school in Buffalo NY, she traveled with three friends to San Francisco, where she met her husband, Clarence, of 60 years. They married on June 4, 1955, at the Presidio in San Francisco, California.

Being an Army wife brought many adventures moving around the world, finally settling in San Antonio, Texas in 1970. Norma worked as an RN and Nursing Supervisor at Northeast Baptist Hospital from 1971 to 1990. After retirement she became more active at St. Pius X and was a founding member of the Bereavement Ministry. Later, when Grant also retired, they traveled around the world to include a favorite moment walking with the penguins on Antarctica. Anne traveled to Israel with Norma, and while they were walking the Stations of the Cross, Norma tripped three times. Anne reminded her of one other person who faltered three times on that same path. Norma's pilgrimage to Israel showed the strength of and the dedication to her Faith.

Norma was a member of the Catholic Daughters of America, the Parish Council of Catholic Women (PCCW) now known as the Women of St. Pius X (WSPX), and a Small Community of Faith group.

She is preceded in death by her beloved husband Clarence Grant Nail, her son Robert Nail; her parents; brother Edward Hayes; sister-in-law Syb Hayes; and sister Anne Bartel.

She is survived by her daughters Jeanne Avandsalehi (Reza), Ellen Taliaferro (Alan), Anne Nail, Teresa Young, Catherine Nail (Ming Shih), Lisa Nail; and her sons Stephen Nail (Blanche) and John Nail (Esther); nine grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in memory of Norma Nail to the charities close to her heart: St. Pius X Catholic Church, St. Vincent De Paul of St. Pius X Catholic Church, Friends of Mercy in Stockbridge, MA, Eucharistic Apostles of Divine Mercy (EADM), Padua Place (80 Peter Baque Rd, San Antonio TX 78209), and the Wounded Warriors Project.

Cemetery Details

Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery

1520 Harry Wurzbach
San Antonio, TX 78209

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 29. 9:00 AM (CT)

St. Pius X
3919 Harry Wurzbach Road
San Antonio, TX 78209

Rosary

JUL 29. 9:30 AM (CT)

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Funeral Mass

JUL 29. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Interment

JUL **29**. 11:15 AM (CT)

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