



Opal Nancy Shoemake

October 16, 1943 - April 14, 2025

Mrs. Opal Nancy Carter Shoemake, age 81, of San Antonio, passed away peacefully on Monday evening, April 14, 2025. She was born October 16, 1943, in Brackettville, Texas, the daughter of the late Sidney Carter and Thelma Billing Carter.

Opal built her life around matters of the heart—she welcomed others with open arms and an open door, always extending love to both immediate and extended family. She had a passion for traveling, a love for a little friendly gambling, and never missed a chance to share a good gossip. Competitive by nature, she especially enjoyed playing bunco and bingo. You could always count on Opal to be watching a game show or cheering on her beloved Dallas Cowboys and San Antonio Spurs.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 40 years, Steve Shoemake; two grandchildren, Denise Rivera and Christopher Herring; brothers, Lister, Freddie, Tommy, and Terry; and sisters, Nadine Hodge, Catherine Spann, Mae Hosmer, Dorothy Hesskew, and Janet Mealy.

Opal is survived by her brother, Cecil Carter; sister-in-law, Eileen Carter; and brother-in-law, Paul Mealy. She leaves behind her children: Nancy and Randy Ferris, Herman (Bo) Roth Jr. and companion Linda Ellis, Laura Tumlinson, Penny and Kevin Bartlett, Diana and Gabriel Cantu, Stephen Jr. and Patsy

Shoemake, David Paul Shoemake, Lindel Shoemake, and Jon and Patricia Shoemake; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, and extended family.

She was blessed with a lasting legacy of love, carried on through her many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren. Opal also leaves behind many cherished friends and loved ones who will miss her dearly.

Visitation will be held from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on April 23, 2025, with a service to follow at 5:00 p.m. at Mission South Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **23**. 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

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

Celebration Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ Tia Chelo, Gabby, Abigail & Angie purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Opal Nancy Shoemake.



Tia Chelo, Gabby, Abigail & Angie - April 23, 2025 at 08:02 AM

HM

“ Hertz Management purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Opal Nancy Shoemake.



Hertz Management - April 22, 2025 at 10:29 AM

CB

“ Ms. Opal you will be dearly missed. I can say you were a joy to be around. Enjoy Heaven Ms. Opal!

Cynthia Blackstock-Wylie(Tooter) - April 21, 2025 at 03:37 PM

AF

“ Ann Perez & Family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Opal Nancy Shoemake.



Ann Perez & Family - April 20, 2025 at 09:50 PM

DC

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Doreen Carter - April 16, 2025 at 10:55 PM

DC

“ God has called Angel Aunt Opal home to rest & rejoice with those who have passed before her. She kept a joyful heart and shared her love unconditionally as evident by her large family & circle of friends. Although I lived miles away from her, she made me feel near in her heart, keeping in touch and reaching out, giving hugs, guidance and laughter when I saw her. She will be missed but never forgotten.



Doreen Carter - April 16, 2025 at 10:53 PM