Phyllis Mae Kahanek

August 21, 1943 - March 9, 2021

Phyllis Mae Kahanek was born to Frank and Olivia (Bechtold) Voyta in Chicago, IL. She went to be with her Lord on March 9, 2021.

Phyllis lived her life on the Southside of San Antonio and was a graduate of Highlands High School. During school she met, fell in love with, and in 1962 married Herman Gene Kahanek. As a couple they enjoyed over 60 years together and became jointly known as “Phyllis and Gene” among friends. Ever the inseparable duo, they worked hard, built their life together and raised a beautiful family. In their spare time they took joy in playing cards, relaxing on the back porch, road-tripping to visit family and watching their grandchildren grow up.

Phyllis was a stay-at-home mom for many years devoting her time to her three children, Steven Kahanek, Terri Watts, and Lea Fitzwater. As if being a loving wife and raising three kids wasn’t enough, she began attending night school at San Antonio College in pursuit of fulfilling her lifelong dream of becoming a teacher. She went on to attend and graduate from Southwest Texas State University. She entered the educational profession and for over 23 years spent her days making a difference in the lives of hundreds of children through her love of teaching.

Phyllis was an active member of Holy Name Parish where she was a

catechist, Eucharistic minister and member of the Altar Society. Her faith and church were very important to her. Throughout her life, she made time for others. She always remembered handwritten cards and letters for both the special and the ordinary occasions. She was a genuinely thoughtful, giving and humble person. She enjoyed her various lunch groups, Bunco clubs, bible study, gardening, popcorn at the movies and beach vacations. She didn't enjoy camping, but she went anyway. She valued spending time with her family above all else.

She is preceded in death by her parents and by her sister Frances Brantley. She is survived by her husband; three children and their spouses Elizabeth, David and Loftus; sister Marcia Drane and her husband Sammie; brother-in-law Paul Brantley; grandchildren Jake Watts, Jessica Watts, Cade Fitzwater, Cole Fitzwater, and Dylan Kahanek; numerous other loving family members and friends.

Funeral services: Visitation will be held on Friday, March 19, 2021 from 5:30 P.M. – 8:00 P.M. at Mission Park Funeral Chapels South. A rosary will be recited at 9:30 A.M. followed by the funeral mass at 10:00 A.M. on Saturday, March 20, 2021 at Holy Name Catholic Church. Interment to follow at Mission Burial Park South.

In lieu of flowers, a donation can be made to Holy Name Catholic Church Altar Society, 3814 Nash Blvd., San Antonio, TX. 78223.

Cemetery Details

Mission Burial Park South

1700 SE Military Dr.
San Antonio, TX 78214
http://www.missionparks.com

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR **19**. 5:30 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/

Rosary and Mass

MAR **20**. 9:30 AM (CT)

Holy Name Catholic Church
3814 Nash Blvd
San Antonio, TX 78223

Interment

MAR **20** (CT)

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1700 SE Military Dr.
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Tribute Wall

Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Phyllis Mae Kahanek.

March 19, 2021 at 03:15 PM

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Dana and Richard Peterson purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Phyllis Mae Kahanek.

Dana and Richard Peterson - March 15, 2021 at 12:30 PM