



## Ralph Alexander

April 29, 1940 - April 10, 2024

Ralph Alexander, 83, of San Antonio, Texas, passed away on April 10, 2024.

Ralph was born Ralf Alexander Ratz in Cologne, Germany to Karl Ratz and Anneliese Jost on April 29, 1940. He immigrated to the U.S. at the age of 11 and grew up in Queens, New York. After obtaining his citizenship and Americanizing his name, Ralph enlisted in the United States Air Force. Ralph came to San Antonio for his basic training and never left, making San Antonio his home for over 65 years. Ralph worked in various industries including car sales, which led to him meeting his wife of 60 years, Gloria. Ralph would eventually earn his associate degree from San Antonio College and worked for the next 35 years in the computer science industry. Ralph was an avid woodworker and built much of the furniture that occupied his home through the years. Ralph enjoyed oil painting, creating numerous beautiful landscapes that decorate the walls of his home. He also enjoyed cycling, stamp collecting, photography, model railroading, caring for bonsai trees, and traveling to Germany. Ralph also enjoyed volunteering his time and talents. He served as Cubmaster for his youngest son's Cub Scout Pack and was a long-time member of the Lions Club. Ralph devoted many years to the Texas Lions Camp in Kerrville, Texas, serving as the director from District 2A-2 for 3 consecutive terms. Ralph would later go on to serve in various officer positions as well as webmaster for the San Antonio N-Trak Association and the San Antonio Model Railroad Association. Ralph's final service was to his

church, St. Helena Catholic Church where he served as an usher during Saturday evening mass.

Ralph is survived by his wife Gloria Alexander, daughter Anneliese Alexander, son Ralph Alexander, son Kevin Alexander, son Karl Alexander (Dawn), 6 grandchildren, 13 great grandchildren, and various relatives in Texas and Germany. He is preceded in death by his father Karl Ratz, mother Anneliese Corbin, and stepfather Russel Corbin.

Visitation will be held at Mission Park Funeral Chapels North, 3401 Cherry Ridge Dr., San Antonio, TX 78230 on April 23, 2024, from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm followed by a Rosary from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Funeral Mass will be held at St. Helena Catholic Church, 14714 Edgemont St., San Antonio, TX 78247 on April 24, 2024 at 10:00 am. Entombment will follow at Mission Burial Park North, 20900 IH 10 West, San Antonio, TX 78257 at approximately 11:45 am.

The family wishes to extend their gratitude to the clergy of St. Helena Catholic Church, Heart of Texas Hospice, and the medical staff of Methodist Hospital Northeast for filling Ralph's final days with care, compassion, and the love of God.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Texas Lions Camp online at <https://lionscamp.ejoinme.org/MyPages/Memorial/tabid/1420763/Default.aspx> or by sending a check to Texas Lions Camp, 4100 San Antonio Hwy, Kerrville, TX 78028. Please note Ralph Alexander Memorial on memo line.

# Cemetery Details

## Mission Burial Park

20900 IH 10 West  
San Antonio, TX 78257

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **23**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels North  
3401 Cherry Ridge Drive  
San Antonio, TX 78230

## Rosary

APR **23**. 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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San Antonio, TX 78230

## Funeral Mass

APR **24**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Helena Catholic Church  
14714 Edgemont St.  
San Antonio, TX 78247

## Entombment

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APR 24. 11:45 AM (CT)

Mission Burial Park North  
20900 IH 10 West  
San Antonio, TX 78257

# Tribute Wall

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“ Gloria,  
Evie and I extend our condolences in your loss of Ralph. He served SAMRA well as treasurer for many years and was always a kind and gentle gentleman. I am sorry we missed his service as we were out of town. Ralph will be truly missed at SAMRA.  
Donald and Evie Scott

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Donald Scott - May 13, 2024 at 04:13 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ralph Alexander.



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April 22, 2024 at 11:49 PM

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“ Rebecca D. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ralph Alexander.

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Rebecca D. - April 15, 2024 at 01:22 PM