



Sarah Lee Watts

December 2, 1917 - October 8, 2022

Sarah Lee Reed Watts, age 104, went to be with her Lord on October 8, 2022. She was born December 2, 1917, in San Antonio and graduated from Thomas Jefferson High School. In 1937, she married Patrick H. Watts, Jr. in Woodlawn Methodist Church. She cherished her role as mother of their three children. She was a beloved mother, Mimi, and friend—a gracious lady who treated people with love, friendship, and respect—the BEST Mimi.

Her first job after high school was selling ads for the telephone book. She later worked for Joske's, but her work was identified by her 34 years of employment at Southwest ISD. As cafeteria bookkeeper, she delighted in getting to know all the children in the lunch line. Promoted to Food Service Director, she was instrumental in the designing and opening of the new Child Nutrition Building in 1995. She was supervisor of 13 Southwest cafeterias when she retired in 1999. She thought of each cafeteria and office worker as part of "her family". Her sweet and loving nature gained her countless friends and the utmost respect.

A Methodist, Sarah Lee taught Sunday school and hosted Bible study. She volunteered at the Food Pantry and served as local election judge. She took joy in her family, her friends, her church, her work, her home, and her plants. She was a friend to cherish and an individual to be admired.

She was preceded in death by her husband Patrick H. Watts, Jr., her son Stephen E. Watts, her parents Edward H. and Serena Schrier Reed, her son-in-law Roger Ackermann, and her sisters Ruth Estelle Cammack, Mary June Almand, and Margaret Helen Hutto.

She is survived by her brother Edward Reed of San Antonio, her daughter Patricia Ackermann of Keene, son Byron Watts and wife Joyce of Hondo, 10 wonderful grandchildren, 26 loving great-grandchildren, 11 amazing great-great-grandchildren, many beloved nieces and nephews and treasured friends.

The family wishes to extend thanks to her caregivers Dalia Palm, Mercy Hernandez, Loretta Chapman, Julie Craig, and Stacie Reyes for their special attention and friendship.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a contribution to San Antonio Food Bank %
Loretta Teague 15209 Wheeler Rd. Atascosa, TX 78002

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **21**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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

Funeral Service

OCT **21**. 3:00 PM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Sarah Lee Watts.*



October 20, 2022 at 04:23 PM



“ *We send our condolences to each of you. Such a wonderful woman & such a friend to our Mother Betty Smith!. Sadie always had a smile for us and everyone. She certainly made this world a better place!*

Love from all the Star & Betty Smith Family

Lynn Ann Hazelwood - October 19, 2022 at 04:15 PM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Sarah Lee Watts.*



October 19, 2022 at 11:22 AM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Sarah Lee Watts.*



October 18, 2022 at 10:24 AM

DM

“ Ms. Watts was always the most beautiful and sweet lady. She will be sorely missed. May you rest in peace.

Debra Martin - October 18, 2022 at 10:06 AM

MM

“ I worked in the same building (SWISD Central Office) with Mrs. Watts for 4 years and she was well respected. Some of the best days were when she'd bake bread in her bread maker and the aroma just flowed through our offices. We'd anxiously wait for the invite to grab a slice with butter-it was dee-lish! I recall when she gave us a tour of the new Food Services building, we had a working lunch and enjoyed her mouthwatering pot roast and all the right "fixin's"...unforgettable and so generous of her. I also had the honor of attending her 100th birthday and she remembered my name. WOW! She was one of a kind and I'm blessed that we crossed paths. Rest easy Mrs. Watts.

Monica Moreno - October 17, 2022 at 06:22 PM

RM

“ She was a very special person. I had the privilege of working in the same office as her for 14yrs. I was in the tax dept an she was the Head of the Cafeteria Dept.
My condolences to the family.
Rosie Colunga Mendoza

rosie colunga mendoza - October 17, 2022 at 05:48 PM

DM

“ The original "cafeteria lady". When my dad was tax assessor for SWISD, he would go by her office where she served as the head of cafeteria's for the district. They would have coffee and discuss happenings of the day. Very nice and always cheerful.

David Mahaffey - October 15, 2022 at 10:40 PM

PW

Mrs Watts was an angel on earth. Nothing else can describe her. She was kind to everyone. Peggy Williams

peggy Williams - October 17, 2022 at 09:48 PM

SG

My Mom, Mary Hill worked under Mrs. Watts for many years at the Elementary campus, old and new, and I would love going to see her at the Central Office and then at the new building as well. "Oh honey!" in her sweet soft voice was always a joy to hear! I hope Mom and her are reminiscing now in heaven. My sincerest condolences to her dear family and friends.

*Sheila (Hill) Guillen
Lytle, TX*

Sheila Guillen - November 01, 2022 at 04:06 PM