



## Shirley Ann Greene

November 9, 1937 - February 21, 2022

Shirley Ann (Kolodziejczyk) Greene peacefully went into the arms of God on February 21, 2022 in San Antonio, Texas. She was born on November 9, 1937 in Yorktown, Texas, to Felix J. Kolodziejczyk and Lillie Warmuth.

Shirley chose the profession of teaching at the middle school and high school levels, working as an educator since 1957 and was certified in several states. In 1968 she graduated from St. Edward's University in Austin Texas, with a Bachelor of Arts degree concentrating in History and English. She attended St. Mary's of Texas 1973-1977 to pursue her graduate work in Pastoral Ministry with an emphasis on religious education. Shirley was known for her intelligence, wit and humor. She cherished her many caring friends and valued the time spent with them or talking to them all. She always had a good story to tell, or a cute joke to share, or a history lesson to pass along, and was always making new friends this way. Those closest to her experienced her deep and profound love for God, and the depth of her faith as she lived it throughout her life. Shirley loved spending time with people, and found joy and fulfillment in helping children learn and grow during her career and after she retired.

Mrs. Greene was preceded in death by her beloved husband of 22 years, Vincent C. Green; brother, Felix Kolodziejczyk, Jr.; brother-in-law, Richard L. Smalley; and sister-in-law, Hope Kolodziejczyk. She is survived by her sister, Rose Marie Smalley; nieces, Raquelle Godbey (Lee Duffield) and Paula

McClure (Robin); nephews, Warren Smalley (Janet) and Wade Smalley (Kelli), and by extended family and numerous devoted friends.

## SERVICES

Visitation will be held on Thursday, March 24, 2022 beginning at 10:00am, with an 11:00am Rosary and 11:30am Funeral Mass at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church, at 13715 Riggs Road, in Helotes, Texas. Interment will follow at Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery in San Antonio, Texas.

Memorial donations can be made to one of the organizations favored by Shirley Greene: St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, St. Mary's University Judeo-Christian Tours Study Program, and the Salvation Army.

For personal acknowledgement, you may sign the online guestbook at [www.missionparks.com](http://www.missionparks.com) in the Tributes section.

MISSION PARK FUNERAL CHAPELS NORTH  
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SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 78230  
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# Cemetery Details

## **Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery**

1520 Harry Wurzbach  
San Antonio, TX 78209

# Events

**Details are pending.**

# Tribute Wall

CH

“ Shirley and her friend, Virginia, sat on "my" side of OLG. I always enjoyed chatting with them before the 6:00am Sunday morning Mass. I tooted flute with Magda's organ for several years. Shirley always wanted to know how long until I retired and where I was planning my next pilgrimage. I'm finishing an Ireland and Scotland pilgrimage now. My prayers are with her and her fam. God bless!

Cherri - March 24, 2022 at 01:47 PM

DH

“ We were neighbors to Shirley and Vince for 11 years. After Vince passed away we tried to help Shirley in any way possible (when she would allow it, being the very independent lady she was ). Shirley would always tell stories and keep us informed on all the local and national politics and never missed a beat.  
We will miss Shirley and her “I'm a Legend in my Own Mind” Hat forever.  
The “Vince Tree” in her backyard will be a constant reminder of her for us. Rest in Peace Friend.  
Don & Gloria Hays

Don & Gloria Hays - March 23, 2022 at 02:43 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Shirley Ann Greene.



March 22, 2022 at 01:50 PM

BS

“ My family moved next door to Ms. Shirley 10 years ago. Our daughter grew up with her most of her life. Ms. Shirley was always there for us whether it was to help my daughter through sixth grade math, offer me full access to her recipes or to help me make sense of all the proposals on the ballot in the upcoming election. Before we moved to our house next to her, I had prayed that God would find us a great neighborhood with great neighbors. I can honestly say I could not have asked for a better neighbor than her! We love you and are going to miss you terribly Ms. Shirley!

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**Beth Sweet** - March 04, 2022 at 07:13 AM

RG

“ Aunt Shirley is how I knew her, and I miss her dearly. I miss our phone calls and our laughs together. I would look for funny things to share with her just to hear her laugh. I miss her presence, her acceptance and loving of me, even if we came from differing perspectives she always had a way of making me feel a part of her and precious to her. In her absence, I am experiencing how much my Aunt Shirley truly meant to me. I learned so much from her about accepting situations and other people as they are, and how she made everyone she knew feel special and important. The most special part of our connection was our mutual love for God and how that love is a guiding light in our lives. I truly feel her love will always be a part of me.

*Raquelle Godbey, Niece in Austin, Texas*

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**Raquelle Godbey** - March 03, 2022 at 11:52 PM

RT

“ Shirley has been our neighbor for approximately 20 years. My husband, Richard and I, enjoyed listening to and learning from Vince and Shirley’s RV adventures when they were full time RVing. Shirley collected our mail while we RV’d and she was much better at sorting our mail than the United States Post Office. She would sort the mail, shred the junk mail and have a separate bag for what we needed to look at upon arriving home plus call if we received important mail. She just kept going and going, no matter what was ahead. We will miss her wit and opinions. We have been blessed with her friendship. 🇺🇸

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**Richard and Joan Tice** - February 24, 2022 at 07:22 PM