



## Theresa Mary Gold

January 11, 1941 - January 2, 2021

Theresa Mary Gros Gold passed away on Saturday January 2, 2021 due to complications from Covid-19. She was loved and cherished by her immediate and extended family, her church family, as well as associates from the many organizations she participated in and contributed to.

Theresa was born in San Antonio on January 11, 1941 to William August Gros, Sr. and Regina Annie Karnowski. She grew up in San Antonio on Roslyn Avenue, in a home which left her great memories which she talked about frequently. Theresa attended Ursuline Academy and St. Henry's Academy, and was graduated from Providence High School. She earned several college degrees, including a bachelor's degree in sociology, philosophy, and journalism from Our Lady of the Lake University and two master's degrees in education management and in history from The University of Texas at San Antonio.

She married Hugo Joseph Gold on January 11, 1964 and the couple began life together in San Antonio..

Theresa's professional experience included advertising and public relations, Social Security claims administration, research, and writing, Census enumeration, university administration (grants writing, fundraising, alumni affairs), and serving as a university instructor in history.

Theresa was involved in many organizations, mostly dedicated to genealogy, history, and preservation. Those organizations include the German Texan Heritage Society (charter member in 1978), United Daughters of the

Confederacy (officer for many years), San Antonio Conservation Society, San Antonio Genealogical and Historical Society, Bexar County Historical Commission, and many others. She also served as a docent at the Institute of Texan Culture for 22 years. She loved to share her knowledge of San Antonio history and architecture by giving numerous talks, slide shows, and informative programs to school groups, seniors, and others.

Theresa was especially involved in family history and genealogy. She was co-compiler and publisher of a 600-page family history book in 1978 which traced the Hoelscher-Buxkemper family's arrival in Texas in 1846 and documentation of all descendants since. She led the committee that published a 1,450 page update in 2003 which received the Texas State Genealogical Society's Grand Prize award in 2008. She also chaired two family reunions in San Antonio of the H-B family, each of which had approximately 1000 attendees.

Theresa was a devout Catholic and was very involved in many church activities over the years at Church of the Holy Spirit Catholic Church. She was involved in previous years in the Altar Society, and in later years in bible study, and served as a scripture reader for mass and as a eucharistic minister.

Theresa was preceded in death by her parents, William August Gros, Sr. and Regina Annie Karnowski and husband Hugo J Gold. She is survived by her brother William August Gros, Jr. (Susan); sons Joseph H. (Eilene) and John H. (Theresa) Gold granddaughter Jana Gold, as well as her aunt Ann Heinrich, cousins, nephews, and nieces.

Memorial Services and Mass were held privately at Holy Spirit Catholic Church.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests made memorial contributions be to St Vincent de Paul Society, c/o Church of the Holy Spirit PO Box 460729 San Antonio, TX 78246, or Alzheimer's Association at [www.alz.org](http://www.alz.org).

# Tribute Wall

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“ A donation has been made to the Alzheimer's Association in memory of Theresa, a truly remarkable woman. She contributed much to the Altar Society; and introduced many to the history of San Antonio.

*St. Anne Circle, Holy Spirit Altar Society*

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**ANN ASHJIAN** - January 21, 2021 at 11:55 AM

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*I have made a contribution to St. Vincent de Paul in memory of Theresa. She ws an outstanding woman in all that she accomplished. A faith filled person and a gift to me as she came into my life. May God rest her soul. My prayers are with her family.*

*Sincerely,*

*Barbara McCabe*

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**Barbara McCabe** - January 22, 2021 at 01:44 PM