



Winifred Ressel

December 28, 1938 - February 25, 2025

Winifred “Winnie” Ressel, 86, passed away on February 25, 2025 after complications from colon surgery and seizures. Born on December 28, 1938 in Manteno, IL, she was placed up for adoption at age 3 and adopted by Lemuel and Florence Bartholomee, becoming a little sister to Lemuel Everett and Shirley. They moved from the Chicago area in 1946 to San Antonio when Winnie was 8. She graduated from Brackenridge High School in 1956. Shortly after, she met and married Carlton Link while he was stationed at Lackland Air Force base where he was an Airman First Class in the 4397th Flying Squadron on August 24, 1957. She had two sons, Karlton and Charles, before his untimely disappearance January 1962 while flying over the Bermuda Triangle. A widow at age 23 with two young sons, ages 3 ½ and 4 months, she had her strong faith in God that helped her raise her boys until the untimely death of youngest son, Charles at the age of 7 from leukemia in 1969. While left raising Karl on her own, she eventually met and married Ray Ressel in 1983 until his passing in 2009. During those previous years, she worked at South Western Bell, State Farm and then 30 years with USAA. Because of her trials and her strong faith in God, she became a very strong and independent woman while being very activate in her church choir, bible study and her senior groups.

She leaves behind her son, Karl and daughter-in-law, Madelyn Link, granddaughters Stephanie, Nicole, Brittany and Courtney. She was also

preceded in death by grandson, Chris. Winnie also leaves behind 8 great grandchildren and 3 great-great grandchildren along with all her many friends that cherished her dearly.

A visitation will be held on Tuesday, March 4, 2025 from 5:00 - 7:00 PM at Mission Park Funeral Chapels North. Services will be at the Cornerstone Church in San Antonio on Wednesday, March 5, 2025 at 10:30 Burial will be at Mission Parks North along side her husband Ray Ressel.

Cemetery Details

Mission Burial Park North

20900 I.H. 10
West San Antonio, TX 78230

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 4. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels Cherry Ridge
3401 Cherry Ridge Dr
San Antonio, TX 78230
(210) 349-1414
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Funeral Service

MAR 5. 10:30 AM (CT)

Cornerstone Church
18755 Stone Oak Pkwy
San Antonio, TX 78258
(210) 490-1600

Graveside Service

MAR 5. 2:00 PM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall



“ It was a privilege to have your mother as part of the Casa Helotes community for many years. She was known for her honesty, yet her gentle and kind nature always touched our hearts. We feel her absence, especially during bingo sessions. Our thoughts and deepest sympathies are with the Ressel family.

Casa Helotes - March 14, 2025 at 11:42 AM



“ Jacob and Silvia Hansen purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Winifred Ressel.



Jacob and Silvia Hansen - March 03, 2025 at 07:51 AM



“ This is Mom a few weeks before her seizures, we got her hair permed/curled? Guys don't know the difference 😬😁 she was soooooo happy.....



Karl - March 03, 2025 at 03:24 AM

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“ Oh Mom, I'm missing u so much, but knowing u r enjoying eternal life with God, brings me such peace n comfort. Thank u God, for 8 more weeks with Mom after getting her to Dallas, Thank u God for all the “little” things that brought her happiness during those 8 weeks. It made me so happy to see her happy even with the situation she was in. Thank U God for letting her hear Don's prayer with her over speaker phone, the day before u took her, even tho she seemed unconscious, we knew she could hear, n I could see the tension in her face literally relax as he prayed n peace flowing through her body. Thank u God, for letting me b there that same day, n as I was leaving her, as I had so many times before, I told her I loved her n she was barely able to mutter back, I love u....as she had so many times before. Thank u God for letting me b there to hold her as she took her last breath.....that split second gave me soooooo much comfort n peace that I can't explain.....Thank u God for not letting her b in that state of “life” any longer. Oh, how I Praise ur Name, n give u all the Glory, Lord.....

Karl - March 03, 2025 at 03:09 AM

VT

“ I love Ms. Winnie!! She came to work at Bibleland Buddies, oak Hills church around 2011. She was so loving and caring with our babies. I loved hearing her stories and spending time with her. I have been trying to contact her for the last several months and decided today to look at obituaries and found this. 😭 oh how I wish I could have had one more lunch date with her. I know she is dancing and singing with the angels. 🙏

Valerie Taylor - March 02, 2025 at 05:41 PM

JN

“ I first met Winnie and Ray some 20 plus years ago at Cornerstone Church in San Antonio, TX. I was privileged to be a part of their Cornerstone Church Bowling League team, which Ray named, "Kings Kids". We had loads of fun competing with each other and the other teams. We even won a few trophies along the way. Through the years we have been together for three different Bible Study groups from the church and shared a wonderful friendship. Winnie's cheerful smile could brighten up anyone's heart, and I will always cherish all the memories we shared over the years as a dear friend.

Jeremiah

Jeremiah Newman - February 27, 2025 at 02:32 PM

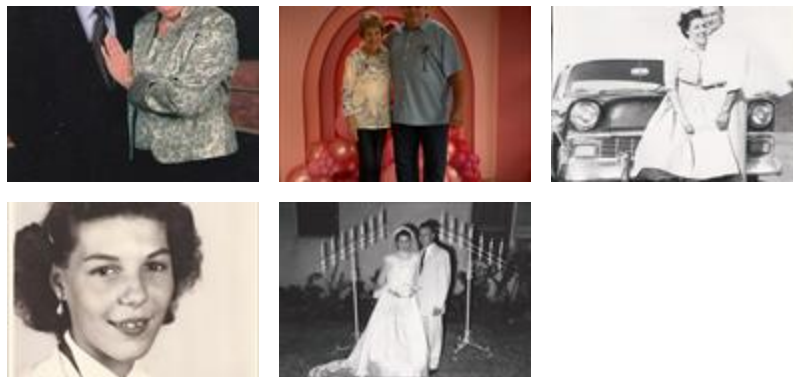
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I met Winnie in the singles class in 1974 at Harlandale Baptist Church. We would plan get togethers for the class. Throughout the years we remain friends, was members of the Singles Square Dancing, had loads of fun square dancing and also bowling.

Emma L Freeman - February 28, 2025 at 09:51 AM

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“ 5 files added to the album Winnie Ressel



Madelyn Link - February 27, 2025 at 11:54 AM