



Yvonne Denise Knopick

September 13, 1960 - January 31, 2022

Ms. Yvonne D. Knopick went home to be with the Lord on January 31, 2022 at the age of 61. She was born in San Antonio, TX on September 13, 1960 to James L. and Pauline G. Knopick. She was preceded in death by her parents. She is survived by her daughters; Brandace N. Boren and husband Dustin, Brittany M. Wiggins and husband Ryan, and Kelsee B. Cantu; sister, Debra K. Berlanga and husband Joe; brother, James L. Knopick Jr.; aunt, Bertha Gallegos; niece, Shannon B. Berlanga and husband Genaro Martinez; nephew, Ryan M. Berlanga; grandchildren, Brody C. Boren, Blakely A. Boren; great nephews, Jacoby B. Martinez, and Jaxson J. Martinez.

In April of 1995, Ms. Knopick began to work along-side of her mother, Pauline, at The Minnie Stevens Piper Foundation. There she worked as the Head Bookkeeper committing herself to the company, to her loving employees, and her wonderful bosses. She enjoyed spending her days at work with “the girls”, and loved to contribute to decorating the office with holiday décor. She enjoyed greatly celebrating birthdays and special holidays at the monthly luncheons. Some of her favorite things to do with the girls were to go to her favorite Chinese Restaurant- Formosa Garden and play Mexican Bingo. Ms. Knopick was an extremely hard worker and was brilliant when it came to numbers. She was considered valuable and irreplaceable. She will be dearly missed by The Minnie Stevens Piper Foundation and Staff. Yvonne was not only a faithful employee, but a faith-filled individual.

Yvonne was a God fearing woman that showed forth strength while defeating

stage 4 breast cancer not once; but twice. While facing her foe with courage, strength, and faith, Yvonne continued to be a wonderful and caring mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, friend and dog mom. No matter what she was going through she made sure her family was first priority. Being the strong mother and grandmother she was, Yvonne's desire was to always attend to her children and grandchildren while in and out of chemo treatments. She had a heart of gold. Yvonne made sure that her grandchildren were blessed and set out with gifts and whatever else they needed to be happy and/ or to have the best time. Yvonne always looked out for her children (Brandace, Brittany, and Kelsee), making sure they received the best life they could have. She was a tough mother; who believed in tough love. She supported her children greatly; and was invested in their sports careers from the time they were in grade school all the way through college. She knew how to balance her schedule and finances, making sure she was attentive at each game or match they competed in; while making sure they received the best coaching and/ or placed on the most competitive club teams. Yvonne always tried to make life easier for her kids. If she could carry their burden she would; as any great mother would do. She worked extremely hard to put each of her daughters through school, and was a proud mother of 3 girls, who graduated with Bachelor degrees from The University of Texas at San Antonio.

Yvonne loved spending time with the rest of her immediate family. Some of her favorite things to do were to spend time with her sister, Debra. They enjoyed cruising together to the Cayman Islands and other various locations through Carnival Cruise Line. Her sister, Debra, was a great supporter of her cancer battle. Yvonne was greatly appreciative of all the hours they spent together during each treatment. Some of Yvonne's favorite memories, was when Debra would bring food, magazines and other entertainment while they sat for hours during Yvonne's treatments. Yvonne enjoyed and talked about the bond they built together and how she appreciated all the time and effort she put in to being there for her sister. They also loved to cook together and host barbeques for the family, and took trips to Laredo to go visit their Tia,

Bertha Gallegos. There they would go shopping near the border and visit their favorite bakery for sweet bread and pink cookies.

Yvonne was very supportive of her niece and nephew's successes. She enjoyed watching her niece, Shannon Berlanga, compete at a high level of gymnastics and cheer at Winston Churchill High School. She was a supporter of her nephew, Ryan Berlanga and his baseball career at Douglas MacArthur High School. One of her favorite memories with her family, was attending the Baptism of Jacoby and Jaxson Martinez (her great nephews) at the Mission Concepcion Church in San Antonio, TX. Ms. Knopick was a family woman, and would do anything for them. She was a prime example, of what a fighter, a lover, and loyal friend was.

We will always remember how committed she was to every person she cross paths with. Today, we choose to honor our mother, for the beautiful person she was. To us, she will be remembered as the mother who supported her daughters, the grandmother who loved to bless her grandchildren, the fun spirited person who loved to travel, the loving and supportive sister and aunt, the hard worker, and the one who made sacrifices so those around her could have and enjoy life.

We ask that you come celebrate the life and home going of Yvonne Denise Knopick and rejoice with us on Friday, February 25 at 2:00pm at Mission North Cemetery at 20900 IH 10 W., San Antonio, TX 78257. While God has you in his arms; we will continue to have you in our hearts. You will forever be missed.

Love,

Your Family

Previous Events

Memorial Service

FEB **25**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Fred J. Tips Mausoleum Chapel
20900 IH 10 West
San Antonio, TX 78257

Inurnment

FEB **25** (CT)

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

Tribute Wall

RE

“ *Rest In Peace, Yvonne. May The Lord be with you, and with your spirit. Amen, dear sister.* ”

Raymond Elizondo - March 01, 2022 at 10:22 AM

RG

“ *My dear cousin, you have joined your beautiful family up in heaven! We had some great memories & you will be missed. Much love to your daughters & grandchildren. May you have eternal rest and live in the hearts of your loved ones forever.* ”



Ruby Gutierrez - February 26, 2022 at 01:44 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Yvonne Denise Knopick.* ”



February 25, 2022 at 11:59 AM

MF

“ It seems like I have known Yvonne most of my life. Always enjoyed playing CYO volleyball in junior high and later after high school playing softball together on a city league. She was an amazing athlete!

It was always great running into her, listening to live music, talking about old times and old friends and of course share our love for dachshund weiner dogs. Always with a smile and always telling it like it was. She was so strong as she battled her cancers, always faithful and grateful. May you Rest In Peace my dear friend. You will be missed 📞🙏

Mari Botello Feist - February 24, 2022 at 11:39 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Yvonne Denise Knopick.



February 24, 2022 at 10:41 PM

RO

“ Rest In Heavenly Peace, Yvonne. You are missed.

Rose Olejniczak

Rose Olejniczak - February 24, 2022 at 08:36 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Yvonne Denise Knopick.*



February 24, 2022 at 07:18 PM



“ *My Sister*

*I sit here and ponder how very much
I'd like to talk with you today.
There are so many things
That we didn't get to say.
My sister, I know how much you cared for me
And how much I cared for you and each time
I think of you, I know you'll miss me too.
An angel came and took you by the hand and said your place
Was ready in heaven, far above...
And you had to leave behind all those you dearly loved.
You had so much to live for, you had so much to do...
It still seems impossible that God was taking you.
And though your life on Earth is past, in Heaven it starts anew.
You'll live for all eternity, just as God has promised you.
And though you've walked through Heaven's gate,
We're never far apart, for every time I think of you
You're right here, deep within my heart. I love you, Yvonne.
Always will. Rest In Peace and in Paradise.*

*Your Loving Sister,
Debbie*

Debra Berlanga - February 23, 2022 at 10:15 PM

RG

Beautiful cousin💕 a sisters love is un breakable- may she have eternal rest🙏

Ruby Gutierrez - February 26, 2022 at 01:39 PM

LS

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I worked with Yvonne for twenty plus years and have many fond memories. I know how much she loved children, grandchildren and family meant to her. I wish you all the peace and comfort in the world.

Loretta Sanchez - February 22, 2022 at 05:23 PM



“ Touching Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Yvonne Denise Knopick.



February 22, 2022 at 02:24 PM

DS

“ Im so sorry to hear bout your mom. I knew her when you were starting elementary through high school. And yes she was at everything of you and your sisters to show how proud she was and is. I know it will be hard but know she will always there for you to talk to. Ever feel a warm breeze, a red bird, butterfly know thats her checking on her family. Take care my friend.



Diane Sherbert

Diane Sherbert - February 22, 2022 at 11:57 AM

AF

“ Our sincere and deepest condolences to the family and extended family .May she rest in peace ..



Antonia Martinez & family - February 21, 2022 at 12:22 PM

DS

“ My Deepest condolences to the family she was good friend we attended jr high and school we connected again on face several years ago Rest In Peace my friend now you rejoice with our Lord.

Dean Sanchez - February 20, 2022 at 09:24 PM

DS

Was a good friend
And high school
We connected again on Facebook.

Dean Sanchez - February 20, 2022 at 09:28 PM

RR

“ Sincerest condolences to the family. I attended Jr High and High school with Yvonne. Go with God and your eternal rest.

Richard Rios - February 20, 2022 at 08:35 PM

EL

“ Please accept our heartfelt condolences. We are praying that the light of God’s face shine on the entire family during this difficult time of grief.

Yvonne is on her new journey to the Lord.

She was a beautiful and kind friend. I am blessed to have met her at work. She was just so full of life, and full of laughter so sweet. She is deeply missed at the office.

Her energy was amazing. Very positive.

She was a very proud mother of three beautiful daughters. Her face would just light up when she would talk about her daughters and their accomplishments.

Her family was her everything.

When God blessed her with her grandchildren she was just one proud Nana. She adored them so.

I remember passing by her office and we would say to each other hey sista, and just share a laugh with each other.

Dearly missed.

She was truly blessed.

Rest In Peace my friend until we meet again one day.

Praying for the perfect peace of God that only he can provide to her dear family.

Blessings always,

Elva Garcia and Jerry Elizondo

ElvaGarcia - February 20, 2022 at 05:34 PM

BB

“ All my love and deepest condolences to Brandace, Brittany and Kelsee. Yvonne and I met in '78 when working together, and became quick friends. Over the course of more than 40 years we enjoyed watching live music, dancing, playing softball and later getting married and having children at the same time. (I introduced Yvonne to her Husband, as he was best friends with mine.) Together we have so many, many memories, and shared alot of laughter. While life would sometimes take us in different directions, when we got back together it was non stop chatting as if no time had passed.

Condolences to her Sister Debbie, Tia and all her family.

Bonnie, I love you. Will miss those conversations that can only be shared with my Friend... my "Plus One". Thoughts of you being our newest Guardian Angel bring solice, may you have safe passage to heaven.

Belinda Benavidez - February 20, 2022 at 12:16 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Yvonne Denise Knopick.



February 17, 2022 at 03:17 PM