



Mary A. Nieto

September 20, 1931 - December 8, 2020

Mary A. Nieto, 89 years old, is now with the Lord. After bravely living with Alzheimer's for 8 years, she passed peacefully on December 8, 2020 due to heart failure brought on by COVID-19. She died in the city where she was born – Sugar Land, TX.

Mary was a loving wife, mother, and sister who unselfishly gave of herself to her family and friends. Her empathy and kind sensibility created a gateway of support and love to those lives she touched.

Mary was married for 60 years to Henry Nieto. He remembers exactly what she looked like the first day they met: tiny waist, wearing “glass” shoes and peddle pusher pants. They lived in Houston and Missouri City where they raised two children Rebecca and Henry. Her love of her family was built on the foundation of the depression and strong family values.

Mary was born in 1931, living in the farming communities of Booth and Fulshear before settling in Rosenberg. Like other children of the depression, she picked crops. The hard work did not break Mary's competitive spirit. At age 13 she was the unofficial fastest cotton picker in Fort Bend County – harvesting more cotton at a faster rate than grown men. She drove tractors, pitched hay and helped raise her 8 siblings.

As a little one, Mary helped bottle moonshine with her grandfather, but that job came to an end when she got tipsy. She loved that story.

Family financial stresses forced Mary to quit high school in 9th grade. As a young woman she launched a successful retail career - first at a Rosenberg dress shop before rounding out her career as assistant manager of a TG&Y store. She was beloved by customers and employees.

A woman of deep faith – Mary is a founding member of St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church in Houston. Today as you enter the church, you'll see the Nieto name on a plaque and a pew. She served as a Eucharistic Minister and was a member of the Guadalupanas. The last 40 years, Mary was a member of Holy Family Catholic Church in Missouri City. She volunteered at the church food bank and raised plants for the bazaar.

Mary loved to cook – especially known for her arroz con pollo, tamales, cocido, turkey and dressing and the “pink stuff.” She won many garden awards for her beautiful flowers and spectacular holiday decor. She loved needlepoint, leaving behind beautiful works of art, and was a gifted seamstress for herself, her daughter and her daughter's Barbies.

Mary had a full and wonderful life. Alzheimer's is a long journey of losing someone you love, but it also gives the gift of saying goodbye. Mary fought the good fight while living with Alzheimer's. She was sweet, never complained and faced her disease with grace and with the loving support of her family.

Mary is now with the Lord, reunited with her parents Frances and Elias Rodriguez, brothers Joe, Johnny and Ernie. She is survived by her husband Henry, son Henry, daughter Rebecca and son-in-law Alfredo Del Real, brothers Elias and Martin Rodriguez, sisters Frances Luna, Lupe Zamora, and Dolores Skinner, and sister-in-law Vera Barajas, Mary Nieto and Lydia

Castillo, as well as hundreds of nieces and nephews and extended family.

A walk-through visitation will be held at Davis Greenlawn Funeral Chapels and Cemeteries between 5 and 7pm on December 22nd. A private burial at the cemetery is December 23rd. Davis Greenlawn is located at 3900 B.F. Terry Blvd, Rosenberg, TX 77471. Ph: 281-341-8800. You are welcome to send flowers to Davis Greenlawn, Mary would have loved them so very much.

Tribute Wall



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mary A. Nieto.* ”



December 23, 2020 at 12:38 AM



“ *Alfonso, Frances, Vanessa and Michael Luna purchased the Delightful Dieffenbachia for the family of Mary A. Nieto.* ”



Alfonso, Frances, Vanessa and Michael Luna - December 22, 2020 at 11:46 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Mary A. Nieto.* ”



December 21, 2020 at 04:30 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Mary A. Nieto.* ”



December 21, 2020 at 03:33 PM

SR

“ *Silvia Del Real purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Mary A. Nieto.*



Silvia Del Real - December 21, 2020 at 01:08 PM

RY

“ *Robert Estrada & Family (here and with you) purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Mary A. Nieto.*



Robert Estrada & Family (here and with you) - December 21, 2020 at 10:18 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mary A. Nieto.*



December 20, 2020 at 04:41 PM

SF

“ *Southern California Public Radio family purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Mary A. Nieto.*



Southern California Public Radio family - December 20, 2020 at 03:50 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray* was purchased for the family of Mary A. Nieto.



December 20, 2020 at 12:56 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Mary A. Nieto.



December 20, 2020 at 12:40 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray* was purchased for the family of Mary A. Nieto.



December 19, 2020 at 11:57 AM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of Mary A. Nieto.



December 18, 2020 at 05:13 PM

AR

“ I pray that my beautiful mother in-law Mama Mary will rest in peace. I know she is in heaven with my dad and theyre laughing it up and enjoying God's home. I am grateful that she always treated me with love and loved her back.....Love you mom and i'll miss you.....your son inlaw.....Al

Alfred Del Real - December 18, 2020 at 03:01 PM

IG

My beautiful auntMary, she was so loved for her kindness that she carried and left for us to cherish her memory. She is to be missed by my Uncle Henry ,Bebe and daughter Becky. My condolences is expressed to them and also her sisters. May perpetual light shine upon her. Amen🙏

Isabel Gonzales - December 19, 2020 at 10:01 AM

GS

Our deepest condolences to Uncle Henry, Rebecca and Bebe and to her siblings. Aunt Mary will be so truly missed. Her beauty and kindness will last in me forever. On my last birthday my mom, Gene and I went to their house for a visit. They had a plan to sing the mananitas to me and even bought a beautiful birthday cake. She sang along to me which brought tears to my eyes. She smiled up at me and I could feel her love. Aunt Mary, you and Uncle Henry always made me smile, laugh, and cry. Thank you for being a part of my life. I will treasure all the memories, especially when you gave me a necklace to wear on my wedding day as something borrowed. Love and miss you so much already. May your soul now rest in peace and the perpetual light shine upon you. I love you! 🙏❤️

Gloria Salinas - December 19, 2020 at 04:30 PM

SM

Rebecca, you, your Dad and your brother have done such a wonderful job caring for your Mom for the last 8 yrs! I am so sorry to hear about everything you have all been going through! Thank you for sharing your lovely parents with u!

Susan P Williams MD - December 20, 2020 at 09:08 PM

JM

Uncle Henry, Henry Jr. Becky and Al, we send our deepest and most heartfelt condolences on the loss of Aunt Mary. She was indeed a beautiful and extraordinary woman. Even though we didn't see each other frequently, we always felt her warmth and love towards all of our family. We pray that God comfort you all in your time of sorrow.

Love always,

Richard and Mia Marron and Family

Romans 14:8

If we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord. So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord.

Jose Marron - December 22, 2020 at 12:23 PM

DH

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Davis-Greenlawn Funeral Home - December 17, 2020 at 01:22 PM