



## Edna Shimek

August 29, 1933 - July 21, 2020

Edna Frances Korenek Shimek, 86, of Nada, Texas died peacefully at TruCare Living Center in Columbus, Texas on Tuesday, July 21, 2020, with her loving and devoted husband, Lawrence, at her side.

Edna was born at home in Nada, Texas on August 29, 1933 to Adolph Cyril Korenek and Emilia Justina Janish Korenek and was the oldest of twelve children. She lived in the family home until the time of her marriage.

She attended elementary school at St. Mary's Catholic School in Nada, Texas and then attended St. Mary's Catholic High School also in Nada. When the high school closed, she attended El Campo High School where she was an Honor Graduate of the Class of 1950.

On October 7, 1952, she married the love of her life, Lawrence Cyril Shimek, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Nada, Texas. Theirs was a very loving and caring marriage of 67 years and 9 months.

After their marriage she and her husband lived in Nada, Texas until the time he was drafted into the U.S. Army and stationed at Fort Hood, Texas. As soon as she could join him, she moved to Killeen, Texas where they set up their household and lived until his discharge from the Army. While stationed there, she delighted in taking their infant daughter to attend the military parades of

which her husband was a part. Her memories of the life and friendships established during their time in the military lasted a lifetime.

After her husband was discharged from the Army they returned to Nada, where they were part of the community, to raise their family of eight children. In addition to being a homemaker and loving wife and mother she was involved in many church, civic and community activities. While her children were in grade school, Edna was a member of St. Mary's Catholic School Parent Teachers Club, where she served as room mother for a number of years and also served as President for a time.

Edna was also a lifetime member of the Nada KJZT Society #17, as well as a member of the Christian Mothers Society and Catholic Daughters Court Our Lady of the Rosary #1595. In addition, she served on the Colorado County Soil and Conservation Scholarship Committee for several years.

When her husband began his career with Catholic Life Insurance of San Antonio, Texas, she performed various clerical, organizational receptionist and secretarial duties in addition to helping establish and promote his business. Through her affiliation with Catholic Life Insurance she served on the Msgr. Lawrence J. Stuebben Scholarship Committee as well as the Rev. Msgr. Albert George Henkes Scholarship Committee Fund, which she was honored to do.

Edna was a loving, caring person as evidenced by the fact that she was always doing for others who could not do for themselves, taking them to doctor appointments, grocery shopping, or wherever else they needed to go.

In her later years she joined Nada/Garwood Gadabouts Extension Education Club, where she made new and lasting friendships.

She loved flowers of all kinds but especially enjoyed the azaleas growing outside her living room window. Her hobbies included reading, gardening, canning vegetables and making picante sauce as well as jams and jellies for her family. She loved making Kolaches from a recipe handed down to her by her mother. She was an excellent seamstress and was fond of and had a special love for quilting.

In addition to her parents, Edna is preceded in death by her brothers, Edward and Lambert Korenek, sister, Jeanette Ham and husband, Robert Ham and sister-in-law, Ruby Korenek. Her daughter-in-law, Anna Shimek, son-in-law, Gary Cerny and grandson, Marvin Shimek also preceded her in death.

She is survived in death by her loving husband, Lawrence Shimek and their eight children, Judy Janecka and husband Joe, of Richmond, Texas, Victor Shimek and wife, Debora, of Nada, Texas, Dianne Shimek Cerny, of El Campo, Texas, Jo Ann Shimek, of El Campo, Texas, Bruno Shimek and wife, Christine of Bryan, Texas, Allen Shimek and wife, Monica of El Campo, Texas, David Shimek and wife, Michelle of College Station, Texas and Sharon Streger and husband Matt of New Braunfels, Texas.

In addition she is survived by grandchildren: Jennifer Janecka Frnka and husband, Greg, Joseph Janecka and wife, Zola, Justin Janecka, Mathew Shimek, Kevin Shimek, Luke Shimek and wife, Katherine, Adrian Shimek, Laura Cerny Dorotik and husband, Trent, Kristi Cerny Walton and husband, Kyle, Kara Cerny McClung and husband Michael, Garrett Cerny and wife, Kimberly, Elizabeth Shimek, Wesley Shimek and wife, Emily, Brandon Shimek, Alannah Camunag and husband, Ian, Brooklyn Webster, Chase Shimek and wife, Kelsey, Cade Shimek and wife Ashley, Breanne Crow and husband, James, Hagen Jenkins, Brock Jenkins, Samantha Streger, Nathan Streger and wife, Jennifer and Andrea Streger. She also has eighteen great-

grandchildren who survive with number nineteen due in mid-September.

Two brothers, Raymond Korenek, and Clement Korenek and wife, Grace also survive as well as sisters, Alice Drapela and husband, Weldon, Sister Odilia Korenek, Leona Brzozowski and husband, Jim, Lucy Buenger and husband, Melvin, Betty Salas and husband, Leonard, and Pat (Patricia) Korenek. A sister-in-law, Bernita Korenek also survives as well as numerous nieces, nephews, friends and caregiver, Lilly Araceli Rangel.

Visitation will be from 4-7 p.m. Friday, July 24 at Triska Funeral Home in El Campo, Texas. A Rosary will be recited at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, July 25 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Nada, Texas. The Funeral Mass will follow in the church at 10:00 a.m. with the Rev. Peter K. Yeboah-Amanfo and Rev. Greg Korenek concelebrating. Burial will be in St. Mary's Catholic Church Cemetery in Nada, Texas immediately after Mass. The Funeral Mass will be live-streamed on the Facebook page of St. Mary's Catholic Church.

Pallbearers are grandsons, Joseph Janecka, Luke Shimek, Adrian Shimek, Garrett Cerny, Wesley Shimek, Brandon Shimek, Cade Shimek and Nathan Streger.

Honorary Pallbearers are grandsons, Mathew Shimek, Kevin Shimek, Justin Janecka, Chase Shimek, Hagen Jenkins and Brock Jenkins and granddaughters, Jennifer Frnka, Laura Dorotik, Kristi Walton, Kara McClung, Elizabeth Shimek, Alannah Camunag, Brooklyn Webster, Samantha Streger, Andrea Streger and Breanne Crow.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Reverend Monsignor Lawrence J. Stuebben Seminarian Scholarship Fund or the St. Mary's Catholic Church Cemetery Fund.

\*\*\*Due to the current COVID guidelines, face masks are required for the visitation and funeral and building occupancy is limited.

Triska Funeral Home, El Campo, 979-543-3681

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL **24.** 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Triska Funeral Home  
612 Merchant Street  
El Campo, TX 77437-3440  
(979) 543-3681  
triskafh@sbcglobal.net

## Rosary

JUL **25.** 9:30 AM (CT)

St. Mary Catholic Church  
1261 Old Nada Rd  
Nada, TX 77460  
(979) 758-3218

## Funeral Mass

JUL **25.** 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Mary Catholic Church  
1261 Old Nada Rd  
Nada, TX 77460  
(979) 758-3218

# Tribute Wall

KM

“ *My deepest condolences to the family of Mrs. Shimek. To my dear friends Bruno and Christine, you're in our prayers.* ”

Kathy Miska - July 24, 2020 at 09:15 PM

GC

“ *Gay Lynn Smith Cerny lit a candle in memory of Edna Shimek* ”



Gay Lynn Smith Cerny - July 24, 2020 at 04:20 PM

GG

“ *Gloria & Tomas Garcia purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Edna Shimek.* ”



Gloria & Tomas Garcia - July 24, 2020 at 01:17 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Edna Shimek.* ”



July 24, 2020 at 10:44 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Edna Shimek.*



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July 24, 2020 at 09:28 AM



“ *Barry and Kelly Balthrop purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Edna Shimek.*



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**Barry and Kelly Balthrop** - July 24, 2020 at 06:27 AM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Edna Shimek.*



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July 23, 2020 at 10:42 PM



“ *From the Baltazar Family purchased the Rays of Light Spray for the family of Edna Shimek.*



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**From the Baltazar Family** - July 23, 2020 at 10:38 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Edna Shimek.*



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July 23, 2020 at 08:43 PM



“ *Sorry for the loss of Ms Enda Shimek she was a great lady enjoyed listen to old time stories and help taking care of her she will be miss the memories will forever be on Hall 3 @ TLC ❤️*

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**Gail Knight** - July 23, 2020 at 07:23 PM



“ *Our sympathy for the loss of Edna. We have many enjoyable memories in our Catholic Life Insurance Travels with Edna and Lawrence. We were always amazed at their stamina and energy on these trips enjoying their company and stories.*

*Wilbert and June Jost  
Branch #28 Wall*

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**Wilbert & June Jost** - July 23, 2020 at 04:01 PM



“ *Gary And Jan Charbula lit a candle in memory of Edna Shimek*



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**Gary and Jan Charbula** - July 23, 2020 at 03:57 PM

BF

“ Judy you have my sympathy and prayers to the whole family

Bernice Freudensprung - July 23, 2020 at 03:39 PM

DH

“ David H. purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Edna Shimek.



David H. - July 23, 2020 at 02:44 PM



“ Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Edna Shimek.



July 23, 2020 at 01:44 PM

KH

“ Ken and Lynna McClung and Will and Mandy Hand purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Edna Shimek.



Ken and Lynna McClung and Will and Mandy Hand - July 23, 2020 at 01:12 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Edna Shimek.*



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July 23, 2020 at 01:06 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Edna Shimek.*



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July 23, 2020 at 01:04 PM



“ *Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Edna Shimek.*



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July 23, 2020 at 11:49 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Edna Shimek.*



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July 23, 2020 at 11:36 AM



“ *Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Edna Shimek.*



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July 23, 2020 at 11:24 AM



“ *Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Edna Shimek.*



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July 23, 2020 at 11:21 AM



“ *To the Shimek Family: I am lifting up your family during this time of sadness. May you be comforted by the treasured memories you hold dear, as well as the knowledge that God is holding you in the Palm of His hand, now and always.*

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**Janie Perdue Bunce** - July 23, 2020 at 10:50 AM

DH

“ *The obituary talks about how she always helped people. I can testify to that! She & Uncle Lawrence took us in for about a year, Tiffany was still in diapers, DeAnn was in 4th grade and I was in 5th. We went to St. Mary's Catholic School that year & I was in the same class as David and our cousin Bryan who was in 6th grade. Yes, the 5th & 6th graders were in the same class. But that is what this family do. She took us in, fed us, got us to & from school & treated us like her own. What an amazing person to take in our family, ALL 4 of us! It was a lot of fun staying with the Shimek's that year, we had/have lots of brothers and sisters that summer especially (our cousins)!!! WE LOVE you Aunt Edna, your love, kindness & fun loving spirit will be cherished by me & certainly DeAnn & Tiffany too, "Always & Forever"! Lots of fond memories! Forever in my heart!*  
~Debbie

DEBORAH HAM - July 23, 2020 at 10:18 AM

DH

“ *DEBORAH HAM lit a candle in memory of Edna Shimek*



DEBORAH HAM - July 23, 2020 at 09:56 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Edna Shimek.*



July 23, 2020 at 09:03 AM

PD

“ *Patricia Dybala lit a candle in memory of Edna Shimek*



Patricia Dybala - July 23, 2020 at 09:01 AM

CC

“ *To the Shimek family,  
My thoughts and prayers are with you all. May the LORD provide you with a full measure of peace and comfort now and in the days to come.*



Cathie Cerny - July 23, 2020 at 08:52 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Edna Shimek.*



July 23, 2020 at 08:29 AM

EC

“ *Prayers and Sympathy to all of you on the loss of your Mother. Elaine Mach Cook*



Elaine Cook - July 23, 2020 at 02:07 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Edna Shimek.*



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July 23, 2020 at 12:31 AM



“ *DEBORAH HAM purchased the Delightful Dieffenbachia for the family of Edna Shimek.*



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**DEBORAH HAM** - July 22, 2020 at 11:46 PM



“ *DEBORAH HAM purchased the Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray for the family of Edna Shimek.*



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**DEBORAH HAM** - July 22, 2020 at 11:06 PM