



Irene Meismer Bittner

August 15, 1922 - September 9, 2017

Irene Mary Meismer Bittner, 95, of Garwood passed away on September 9, 2017. She was born August 15, 1922 to the late Joseph and Annie Leopold Meismer. She was the oldest of 6 children.

She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother and great-great grandmother. She loved gardening and planting marigolds for All Soul's Day. She was a long time active member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Nada and was a member of the Catholic Daughters of American and Christian Mothers Society.

She is survived by seven sons, David Bittner (Becky) of Tyler, Al Joe Bittner of Galveston, Larry Bittner (Cathy) of Rosenberg, Tommy Bittner of Yuma, AZ, Paul Bittner (Annette) of Garwood, Timmy Bittner (Brenda) of Nada and Frank Bittner (Renee) of Katy; three daughters Mary Jean Crader (Mike) of Ft. Worth, Rita Kay Chase (Robert) of Hallettsville, and Janice Viaclovsky (Ron) of Sugar Land; sister-in-law Anita Meismer, brother-in-law and sister-in-law Mike and Bea Bittner , sister-in-law Rose Staff; 18 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren and 4 great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 66 years, Alois Bittner; parents; brothers Norbert, Leon, and James Meismer; and sisters Dorothy Stanley and Sister M. Hilda Meismer.

Visitation will be 6 - 8 p.m. Monday, Sept. 11 at St. Mary's Catholic Church

with a Rosary service at 7 p.m. Funeral services will be 10 am Tuesday, September 12, 2017, at St. Mary's Church with Rev. Peter Yeboah-Amanfo officiating. Interment will follow at St. Mary's Cemetery.

Pallbearers are grandsons Robby Bittner, L.J. Bittner, Shawn Duchworth, Michael Chase, Scott Bittner, Cody Bittner and Heath McClure. The other grandchildren will serve as honorary bearers

Memorial Donations in memory of Irene M. Bittner may be made to St. Mary's Church, Garwood Voluntary Fire Dept., Hospice of South Texas, or donor's choice.

Cemetery Details

St. Mary Catholic Cemetery

Nada, TX

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 11. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

St. Mary Catholic Church
Nada, TX

Rosary

SEP 11. 7:00 PM (CT)

St. Mary Catholic Church
Nada, TX

Funeral Mass

SEP 12. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Mary Catholic Church
Nada, TX

Tribute Wall

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“ My fondest memory of Mrs. Bittner was a learning experience. I will never forget the day I went with Renee out to Garwood to "learn" how to make pickles. We started out in the garden picking just the right cucumbers. What a garden that was. I was envious of the large variety of beautifully growing vegetables. I knew that the garden had been lovingly worked through the many years the Bittner's lived in their family home. The process started moving very quickly. This was not the first rodeo for the pickle queen. She knew how to lead her students. It was a very interesting and fun day. What I later learned was that the real secret was the brine water. I could clean, slice, and arrange the ingredients in those beautiful jars, but what was simmering in that old pot was the real magic. After sealing the bottles, I gathered my share of the jars to return home. Somehow, Renee received the greater of the split. My only regret was that I did not ask for a second lesson...noodles. She touched many lives, and I'm extremely thankful that I can be included. We will all miss her.
Nancy Gaffney

Nancy - September 14, 2017 at 07:20 PM

JW

“ Mary, Mike and your very large family.... We are so sorry to hear of the loss of your mom. What a lovely obituary you have written for her. The most that we can hope for in our lives is to leave a legacy of love and that is exactly what your mom has done here on earth. May God bless you all and bring your peace.

Joe and Patti Kavanaugh - Fort Worth - September 11, 2017 at 08:17 PM

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“ *The Haynes family purchased the Truly Beloved Bouquet for the family of Irene Meisner Bittner.*



The Haynes family - September 11, 2017 at 07:27 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Irene Meisner Bittner.*



September 11, 2017 at 03:44 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Irene Meisner Bittner.*



September 11, 2017 at 11:14 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Irene Meisner Bittner.*



September 11, 2017 at 10:33 AM

BB

“ So sorry to hear of your loss. I remember the times that Mr. & Mrs. Bittner would come to Texana Park when we would be camping with Robert & Rita. We always had fun and learned & laughed a lot. We always felt welcomed in their home and are glad we got to know them. Barbara & Gary Boening

Barbara Boening - September 10, 2017 at 02:32 PM

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“ Clarence & Judy Rohan lit a candle in memory of Irene Meismer Bittner



Clarence & Judy Rohan - September 09, 2017 at 05:45 PM