



## Mary Ann Leopold

January 24, 1937 - August 20, 2020

Mary Ann Leopold died at the age 83 on August 20, 2020. She was born on January 24, 1937 in Nada, Texas to Leo and Ottilia Gerbermann Leopold. She attended St. Mary's School in Nada through 8th grade and Nazareth Academy High School in Victoria, Texas.

She is preceded in death by her brothers, Albert and Jack and sisters, Sister Alfreda, Clara and Sister Rosemary.

Mary Ann received her BA degree and teacher certification at UIW. She earned a Masters of Education degree and certification in school administration with a minor in curriculum at TSU in San Marcos.

Mary Ann taught in Catholic school for 48 years. She spent seven years as a principal of Sacred Heart School in Floresville; she was principal of St. Peter School in San Antonio for 22 years. Most of her teaching years were spent teaching middle school math. She retired from education in 2008. Her effective leadership helped the school to earn the title of a "National Blue Ribbon School."

The Archdiocese of San Antonio recognized Mary Ann with an Outstanding Leader in Education Award in 1998. She was also recognized by NCEA as being in the top one-third principals in the nation. Mary Ann has numerous plaques and awards she received for her service in education.

She crocheted items for St. Peter Church and School events, for IWBS Sisters in Victoria for their gift shop and for other charitable organizations.

She volunteered at Emeritus in Oakwell – an assisted living and memory care facility. She enjoyed her visits with the residents. She met with some ladies and helped them recall their crochet skills.

In lieu of flowers, send donations to St. Peter's School Scholarship Fund or Nazareth Convent in Victoria.

Visitation begins 9 a.m. Tuesday, August 25 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Nada. A Rosary will be recited at 9:30 a.m. with the funeral Mass following at 10 a.m. with the Rev. Martin Leopold officiating. Burial will follow at St. Mary's Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Albert Leopold, Robert Leopold, Don Leopold, Glen Leopold, Glenn Wesselski and Tommy Burns. Honorary pallbearers will be Rick Leopold, Philip Leopold, Greg Leopold and Lawrence Popp.

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

# Cemetery Details

## St. Mary Catholic Cemetery

Nada, TX

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 25. 9:00 AM (CT)

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

## Rosary

AUG 25. 9:30 AM (CT)

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Nada, TX

## Funeral Mass

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# Tribute Wall

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“ A fierce warrior for God, for the under-served, pragmatic and determined. She didn't mince words and left no stone unturned when helping her many students. Heaven has gained a true servant this day.

Terri Edgington - August 25, 2020 at 07:55 AM

LD

“ Thank you, Mary Ann. You were a gift from God.  
La Faye Duren

La Faye Duren - August 24, 2020 at 10:42 PM



“ Mary Ann was an awesome principal and math teacher. She helped save a school when the pastor wanted to shut it down. She provide many years of great leadership at the school.  
Sandra Wilkinson

Sandra Rubrecht Wilkinson - August 24, 2020 at 10:41 PM

PH

“ My memories go back a little further than others. I first met Maryann when Father , at that time living above the church found her to become our principal at St. Peters. See, the pastor at that time planned to dismiss the sisters teaching at St. Peters and we were without a principal. She answered the call and the rest is history. My husband was Edward Heusinger and in the position of head of the council when the pastor decided to close the school with little or no notice and we had this problem . God never let us down and nor did Maryann. Will always think of her with the best of feelings. Pruny Heusinger

Pruny Heusinger - August 24, 2020 at 10:13 PM

CF

“ My condolences to the Leopold Family. Mary Ann was a Wonderful person and so kind. She guided our children with Leadership as Principal of St. Peter's School.

She crocheted a blanket for me that I will cherish. I loved working with her and being her friend. I love you Mary Ann and will miss you dearly.

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**Cynthia Flores** - August 23, 2020 at 11:54 PM

RP

“ My favorite memory of her is when she took me to see who framed Roger Rabbit in the theater. Truly an awesome lady. Love you Aunt Mary Ann



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**Raymond Popp** - August 23, 2020 at 03:27 PM

LP

“ Lawrence and Dianne Popp purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mary Ann Leopold.



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**Lawrence and Dianne Popp** - August 23, 2020 at 03:08 PM

CB

“ My favorite memory of Aunt Mary Ann was playing cards with her and Sister Alfreda and Sister Rosemary, when I was a child. We laughed a lot and had so much fun! I will miss your sense of humor and your wonderful laugh.

Cindy Berger

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**Cindy Berger** - August 23, 2020 at 01:06 PM

PH

“ Mary Ann was such a sweet lady, she has been missed at St. Peter's Church. I picture her at peace and in Heaven with her birth family and close friend, Patricia Cross. God Bless her and her family. Pam Hays

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**Pam Hays** - August 21, 2020 at 11:08 PM



I was honored to know Mary Ann and Prince. She was one of those rare people known as a giver. After my mother died ,she an prince moved in next door and was there thru the darkest of days. Always there to lend a ear or a card on a special occasion. My apartment is full of her knitted presents and a testament to her kindness. The world is diminished without her and i will miss her.

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**Patrick Maher** - August 22, 2020 at 12:49 AM

DP

Mary Ann was always good to our boys When we lived in San Antonio. They were glad to have her as the principal of ther school.

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**Dianne Popp** - August 23, 2020 at 03:11 PM

MC

*I had the great privilege and honor to work under Mary Ann. Not only was she a mentor and principal, but she also was also a friend. She always encouraged me and gave me the gift of teaching creatively. Mary Ann loved to volunteer me for things even when I was not going to. I love to think back on the good times we had, even when she would announce to the faculty "oh by the way I volunteered us to be.." or " I nominated us for this...". She will always be held in my heart and I will dearly miss her. I know that she is at peace and will be a part of everyone who's life she touched. My prays go out to her family. May god bless all of you with his peace and comfort.*

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**Mary Beth Rubrecht Crider** - August 26, 2020 at 10:53 PM

JG

*Mary Ann,.....Thank you for being such a great friend for so many, many years....I will miss you and Prince very much  
May you rest in peace, my friend  
Joe Giroso*

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**Joe Giroso** - August 28, 2020 at 11:25 AM

EC

*Wonderful person. She was a ray of sunshine. Elvia Hernandez cavazos*

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**Elvia Hernandez cavazos** - February 25, 2021 at 08:03 AM