



Annie Marie Maranto

November 20, 1926 - September 27, 2019

Annie Marie Maranto, 92, of Garland, Texas, died September 27, 2019 in Keller, Texas of Alzheimer's/Dementia. She was born, November 20, 1926, to Neal Edward Plemmons and Annie Josephine Condon in Charleston, Mississippi. She married Anthony Cosmos Maranto on June 15, 1965 in Richardson, Texas. She was an Elementary Education Teacher in Garland ISD for 23 years. Born in Mississippi, she grew up in Beaumont, Texas. Annie graduated from St. Anthony's High School in Beaumont in 1943. She earned a degree in Chemistry from Incarnate Word College in San Antonio. She entered the Convent as a Dominican Sister and taught at Saint Anthony's High School in Beaumont, where she made many life long friends among her students. She obtained release from her vows as a sister in 1965 and met the love of her life, Anthony Cosmos Maranto, known as "Bo". They were married in 1965 and lived in Garland, Texas. They soon welcomed a son, Neal. Bo passed away in 1973. While raising Neal herself, Annie touched thousands of students both at Good Shepherd School where she worked as a librarian, and in the Garland Public Schools where she taught elementary education. Annie remained in Garland until she retired in 1995 when she moved to St. Francis Village in Crowley, Texas. She thoroughly enjoyed the community at St. Francis Village until 2007 when Alzheimer's forced her to move to assisted living. She lived a full life in devotion to Jesus Christ and to her family. How does one say thank you to the one responsible for making you the person you are today? I Love You, Mom. Annie is survived by her son Anthony Neal Maranto and wife Shawne Maranto of Arlington, sister, Jo Clemens, of Meker, Oklahoma, grandchildren, Marina Maranto and Mallory Merryman. Mass of Christian Burial will be Wednesday, October 2, 2019 at 10:30 a.m at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 600 S. Jupiter Road, Richardson, TX 75081. Burial will be at Calvary Hill Cemetery. Visitation will be Tuesday, October 1, 2019 at Restland Funeral Home from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m..

Comments



“ We have many Good Shepherd memories of your sweet mother. A wonderful lady who was always kind and patient. Our deepest sympathy to you, Neal, and your family. The Vochoska Family

Fran Vochoska - September 30, 2019 at 06:30 PM



“ Neal, your dad, Bo rode to work with me when we both worked at Sterling's Jewelry in downtown Dallas. I have fond memories of both your Mom and Dad. Your Mom always had a smile on her face and your Dad spoke of you both with so much love.

Wanda Strickland Burnett - September 30, 2019 at 01:38 PM



“ Aunt Annie Marie was a critical part of my life. I remember visits when I would find comfort in her relationship with my mom. They talked seriously, laughed freely, and loved unconditionally as sisters do. When she visited our home there was an extra level of peace simply by her presence. My parents were very pleased with her marriage to Uncle Bo. I enjoyed listening to my dad talking with Uncle Bo as they discussed food, space travel, Annie Marie, and seemingly mundane events of life that give relationships meaning. After Uncle Bo's untimely death, I saw Annie Marie's love for Neal, her faith, and willingness to be there for others help her live well even within her grief. Once, during a particularly rough patch of my life in about 1980 my toddler son and I rode with her and Neal from Austin to Dallas. We talked about things that mattered. She mentored me that day with understanding but clear responses to my confusion and fears. I felt loved and safe. I always did with her. My dad once told her, when they all lived at St. Francis Village, how well she did with raising Neal. Dad noted how Neal's life reflects the important values, service for others, and love she modeled. I agree. Her legacy continues in him and his family. We miss you, Aunt Annie Marie. Thank you for your love.

Patrick Bowen - September 29, 2019 at 04:17 PM



“ Annie Marie was a wonderful Aunt -always loving, thoughtful, attentive and caring. Her insightful intelligence, humor, and empathy for all made the world a better place for all of us who were lucky enough to walk part of our paths with her. Neal, I am with you in this time even though I cannot be there physically. Lots of love and hope for peace and contentment that you were such an exemplary son.

Neal Bowen - September 28, 2019 at 09:44 PM



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