

Mary Knox Bass Boenker

October 20, 1925 - March 14, 2018



Mary Knox Bass Boenker, 92, of Fredericksburg, Texas passed away peacefully in the early morning on March 14, 2018. Mary was born on Oct. 20, 1925 in Pittsburg, Texas to William Knox Bass and Eva Louise Davis Bass.

On Sept. 14, 1945, Mary was united in marriage with Charles William Boenker. After years of moving around the state of Texas where Charles worked with a seismograph crew, they settled in Brenham, Texas where they raised four children.

Mary worked for the Brenham Independent School District for 18 years before retiring in 1988. Soon after retiring, having lost her husband in 1985, Mary moved south to the Tip of Texas Resort in Pharr, Texas. She loved life, dancing and enjoyed all types of games from cards and dominoes to shuffle board.

In 1999, Mary left the valley and moved to Fredericksburg to be nearer to family.

Mary was a member of Fredericksburg United Methodist Church where she was active in the Choose Life Sunday school class and the Cards for Christ ministry program. Mary also volunteered with the Hill Country Memorial Hospital Auxiliary.

Mary was preceded in death by her parents, her loving husband, Charles Boenker; two children, Charles William, Jr. and Mary Carolyn Ransleben, and a brother, Richard Bass.

She is survived by one daughter and son-in law, Diane and Mickey Reichenbach of Houston, Texas; a son and daughter-in-law, David and Bernadette Boenker of Ladera Ranch, California; a son-in-law, Karl Ransleben of Fredericksburg, Texas; grandchildren: Chris Reichenbach, Clay Reichenbach and wife, Emily, Ryan Reichenbach and wife, Allie, Travis Boenker and Tara Boenker and three great-granddaughters, Kennedy and Adalynn Reichenbach and Quinn Reichenbach.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 17, at Fredericksburg United Methodist Church with the Rev. George Lumpkin officiating.

Graveside services and interment followed at Greenwood Cemetery.

Visitation was held Friday evening in the chapel of Schaetter Funeral Home and Saturday morning at the church.

Memorials may be made to Hill Country Community Needs Council, Hill Country Memorial Hospice or the charity of choice.

Arrangements were under the direction of Schaetter Funeral Home.

Expressions of sympathy may be sent at www.schaetter.com.