



Mary B. Novak

April 8, 1939 - November 26, 2020

November 26, Mary Novak of Manassas passed away at home, surrounded by the love of family after complications from a stroke. She was born in 1939 in Seagraves, Texas to Edna and Virgil Boomer. Originally named Francis it was changed to Mary Elvira days after her birth at the request of her grandfather. Her siblings were Jesse Lee Boomer, Clyde Luther Boomer, Earl Ralph Boomer, Jennie B Yocum, Edna Pearl Krause, Ida Mae Savage, Minnie Nell Wood and Virgil Lewis Boomer. It's easy to see that "Francis" just wasn't going to work with this crowd. The family moved to Elk City, Oklahoma in 1947. Mom would often share stories of her childhood working on the family farm. Apparently, Oklahoma routinely built school houses on the steep, mountainous terrain subject to large accumulations of frozen precipitation. She attributed her regular early morning rising to the years raised on the farm. Of great relief was her ability to rest her eyes watching baseball. Evidence she adjusted well to urban life. In 1961 she married Edward Novak and the couple made Manassas their home in 1964. During her career Mary was the Parish Secretary for All Saints Catholic Parish, deputy clerk for the Prince William County Board of Supervisors, Office Manager for the Society of Real Estate Appraisers and Electronic Data Systems. After retirement she enjoyed travel around Europe while living in Germany with her husband on assignment. Returning to the states she could be found almost every Friday night with her dinner club at Primo's Pizzeria in Manassas. Mary was preceded in death by her husband, Edward. Her legacy includes an adored daughter, Melissa

Novak of Manassas, cherished son and daughter-in-law, Paul and Karen Novak of Herndon. She was the loving Nana to Kimberly and Billy Duvall, Lindsey and Tyler Duchaine, and Joey and Lindsay Novak and celebrated Nana Boomer to Preston and Jack Duvall, Tomas Duchaine and Olivia Novak, her great grandchildren. She is survived by her beloved brother, Virgil Lewis (Brenda) Boomer of Littlefield, Texas and a multitude of loving neices and nephews. Due to pandemic concerns the family has requested a private burial. In lieu of flowers the family has requested you reach out to your family and share a beloved memory, send flowers to your mom or consider donating to a charity of your choice. Though distance separates us love will travel as far as you let it.

Cemetery Details

Quantico National Cemetery

18424 Joplin Road
Triangle, VA 22172

Tribute Wall

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“ *What a wonderful neighbor! Mary was our go-to person for any recipe, gardening or other problem we came across. My daughter Holley still has the apron she made for her during their cooking sessions. She promised me that Mary will live on when she tells her kids of all the great times she had. She was a true saint and now she's with her best friend Ed.*

john barnes - December 08, 2020 at 06:53 PM

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“ *Missy and Paul, I'm so sorry to hear of your mother's death, she was such a nice person, I know she will be missed very much by your family. Will be praying for both of you. Pat Fleming*

Patricia Fleming - December 04, 2020 at 06:42 PM

DJ

“ *Paul and Missy,*

I am so sorry to hear of your mom's passing. She was a lovely, special lady and I have so many happy memories of her during our band days at Osbourn. She made an impact on my life, and the lives of so many others. You and your family will be in my thoughts and prayers during this very sad and difficult time.

Dale (Potts) Jepson - November 28, 2020 at 07:31 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of Mary B. Novak.



November 28, 2020 at 12:49 AM



“ *Red Poinsettia Saddle (Silk Cemetery Flowers)* was purchased for the family of Mary B. Novak.



November 27, 2020 at 11:04 PM