



Maxine Harker Hassig

November 7, 1914 - October 22, 2013

Maxine Harker Hassig peacefully passed away on the morning of October 22nd, 2013 in Houston, Texas with her loving family at her side. Maxine was born on November 7th, 1914 in Waterville, Kansas to John Franklin and Katherine Harker. She was preceded in death by her loving husband Col. John L. Hassig, Ret.; son John F. Hassig II and; siblings Mary Mitchell, Mildred Vollman, Betty Harris, Harriet McComas, Wayne Harker, Harold Harker and Melvin Harker. Maxine is survived by son Edward Hassig and wife Barbara; granddaughters Jaime and Jennifer and husband Michael; and great-granddaughter Brooke.

Maxine was a beloved wife, mother and grandmother, better known as Grandmere. She spent more than a decade as a registered nurse and in later years got much delight from making stuffed animals for children at nearby hospitals. She loved her sweets, especially carrot cake, forgotten cookies and cupcakes, and thoroughly enjoyed making delicious pies every Thanksgiving. She will forever be remembered for making everyone laugh with her “chipper” personality and quirky, random comments. Maxine also enjoyed playing Bunco, Bridge and many other types of games, and somehow always managed to win! Christmas was a special time, as she never missed a single holiday with her son Edward, and she loved making her special, annual cookies from scratch with her two granddaughters. Maxine was so grateful to meet her great-grandbaby, “the most beautiful thing she ever did see”. She

cherished her family so much and was very proud of all of their accomplishments. She passed away two weeks shy of her 99th birthday, but will be remembered for a lifetime of generosity, sweet smiles, sense of humor and love for her family, including the Bayer's. A special thank you to Vantage Hospice for their support and care these last few months.

A Funeral Mass will be held Tuesday, October 29, 2013 at 11:30 AM at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, 6646 Addicks Satsuma Road, Houston, Texas 77084. A reception will follow mass on the church grounds. A graveside service will be held at the VA Houston National Cemetery that same day at 2:15 PM.

Cemetery Details

VA Houston National Cemetery

10410 Veterans Memorial Drive
Houston, TX 77038-1502
[http://www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/houston.as
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Previous Events

Funeral Mass

OCT **29**. 11:30 AM (CT)

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church
6646 Addicks Satsuma
Houston, TX 77084

Reception

OCT **29**. 12:30 PM (CT)

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Graveside Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Maxine Harker Hassig*

October 08, 2023 at 10:52 AM



“ *Maxine Harker Hassig*

October 06, 2023 at 01:12 AM



“ *Maxine Harker Hassig*

October 05, 2023 at 09:45 AM



“ *Maxine Harker Hassig*

October 05, 2023 at 01:54 AM

BF

“ *What can I say that has not already been said about my Aunt Mackie? From the time I was a child I admired and adored her. She was everything I wanted to be. She was fun to be around, she dressed like she "just stepped out of a band box" and to top that off she was married to a career Army Officer and traveled the world! What was there not to try to emulate?*

Time and life separated us physically but we stayed in touch with letters and when Hurricane Katrina hit and I was deployed to Houston I was able to spend some quality time with her, my cousin Ed and his family. Again, when Ike hit Galveston, I returned to Texas and we picked up right where we had left off.

I treasure the moments I spent with this wonderful lady and will forever be grateful for those times.

RIP my dear Mackie. Until we meet again.

Beth Fairleigh - Nov. 2, 2013

Beth Fairleigh - November 03, 2013 at 03:26 PM

EH

“Maxine is my aunt and I have recollections of her almost as early as I do of my mother. If I had to choose two words to describe her they would be "toughness" and "independence". I remember as a very sick child being driven by Maxine one time and telling her I felt like "upchucking". Maxine said "[t]hat is fine. Just don't do it in the car." I didn't. I also remember another time as a young boy pestering Maxine to run a footrace with me on the sidewalk outside. She finally got tired of my pestering and ran a race with me on the sidewalk. The race wasn't even close and I lost by a mile. Maxine was very independent and didn't suffer fools easily. This is no surprise to any of you who knew her, but she did have a soft side. Some of my fondest memories are of my visits to Houston when I stayed with her. We had such great times together and I so enjoyed our conversations, and she always had a cherry pie waiting for me as she knew that was my favorite pie. I can think of nothing really negative to say about Maxine other than she could be a sponge for gossip and could come up with tidbits of trivia that used to always amaze me. I would think how can she possibly have known that. On balance, though, I forgave her for this as she was my favorite aunt and I so loved her. God bless you Maxine. You were one of a kind and I am sure that our Lord has a special room for you in heaven.
John Mack

Edward Hassig - October 28, 2013 at 08:20 AM

AT

“Max will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her. She was an integrated part of the Bayer family since Ed married Barbara in 1982. Max was always beautifully dressed and brought smiles and laughter to all of our family gatherings.

Amy Thompson - October 27, 2013 at 08:30 AM

BB

“ *Maxine will be greatly missed. Her sharp wit and sense of humor always kept everyone on their toes. Through the years, we saw what a wonderful mother and grandmother she was to all of you and we feel blessed we knew this remarkable woman.*
Milly, Bill and Elyse Bayer

bill bayer - October 25, 2013 at 02:16 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Maxine Harker Hassig.*



October 25, 2013 at 12:28 PM