



## Ina Dover Armand

May 1, 1932 - January 28, 2016

Ina Dover Armand, 83, of Montgomery, Texas, passed away on January 28, 2016, of pulmonary hypertension and other related health issues.

Ina was born in Sledge, Mississippi on May 1, 1932. She attended Crenshaw High School. Throughout her lifetime, Ina loved gardening and had a special gift for growing fruits, vegetables, and flowers. Her much loved and well-manicured backyard filled with remarkable plants was a place of beauty and served as a sanctuary for many species of bird friends.

Ina loved family and was always fiercely protective of her own. She exhibited spunk, courage, and determination in rearing her children, never being afraid of the future. In contributing to the financial support of her family, she worked as a waitress at Kelly's Restaurant in Houston, Texas. Ina always had a great sense of fun – loving laughter and practical jokes. A favorite song and one she lived out was, "Don't Worry, Be Happy." She found much pleasure in gift giving and even in hard times had something to share with others. She loved Christmas and birthdays. If no one else planned a party on her day, she planned her own. She loved to entertain, was a wonderful cook, and kept an immaculate house with a freezer full of home baked treats – just in case. Her indomitable but friendly spirit cannot be adequately described. To know Ina, you had to know her heart and the things she loved including all babies, Santa Claus, Blue Bell ice cream, high heels, big hats, jewelry, red lipstick,

Facebook, flowers, Texas, and a man named Ray.

Ina was married to Martin Ray Armand on November 14, 1987, and the couple spent 20 happy years together before his death on April 9, 2008. Ray and Ina lived in the Texas Hill Country for much of their married life before moving to Montgomery. They were faithful members of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Plantersville. Although Ina often had serious health issues, she never lost her optimism or positive outlook. When asked in her last days how she was feeling, she replied that she was "fine" and "looking forward to the future."

Ina is preceded in death by her parents, her siblings, two step-daughters – Janet Clare Heaston and Frances Ellen Thedford, her husband Ray, and recently her daughter Kelli (Monte) Buell. Her legacy and memory will live on through her surviving children: Regina (Michael) Ortale; Mickey (Gwen) Aldridge; Steve (Donna) Aldridge; Patricia (Gary) Nelius; Angela (Fred) Greer; Pat (Greg) Bearden; Les Pallett; Wesley (Alyse) Gilmore; Chris (Monica) Gilmore and stepdaughter Jeanie Johnson. In addition to ten living children, Ina is survived by 34 grandchildren and 27 great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends for visitation at Sam Houston Memorial from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 31. The funeral service will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, February 1, at Sam Houston Memorial in Montgomery with interment to follow at the cemetery of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Plantersville. Father Edward Kucera, Jr. will be officiating the service.

Remembrances should be given to St. Jude Children's Hospital in Memphis. You may leave written condolences at [www.shmfh.com](http://www.shmfh.com)

# Cemetery Details

## St Mary's Catholic Cemetery

Plantersville, TX

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 31. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Montgomery  
10129 FM 1097 Rd W  
Willis, TX 77318  
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## Service

FEB 1. 10:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Ina Dover Armand*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Ina was truly one of a kind. Every time I was blessed with her presence absolutely made my day. It was an honor to be her Nurse. I love Ina and her family as if they were my own. I have so many HILARIOUS memories of our talks that I will forever cherish. Until we meet again, watch over us as you did during your wonderful life. I love you Ina and will miss your smile, humor and compassion every day. To Ina's family, I'm here to remind you of her humor. I'll end with this (only some will get) I'll be on the look out for any unwanted fruit flies :D*

**Amanda Rossi** - February 01, 2016 at 07:14 PM

GI

*Thank you Mandy and Stephen! She loved you both and was looking forward to your wedding!!!  
Love you!*

**gina** - February 15, 2016 at 04:19 PM

DF

“ My thoughts and prayers are with each of you during this time of sorrow. . Whether you are a daughter, son, daughter-in-law, son-in-law, grandchild, great grandchild, family or friend, you will miss this wonderful woman. I was blessed to have known her for only a few years.... and what a stupendous woman. She still is a wonderful woman... because she lives in each person that she met. Her love of her family and her faith was very evident...such a gift to all.

*May the peace and love that comes from the wonderful memories of times shared, comfort you now and in the days to come. Cherish those wonderful memories and holdfast to the promise of eternal life...*

*Peace, Prayers and Blessings...*

*Donna Fricke*

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**Donna Fricke** - February 01, 2016 at 08:30 AM

GI

*Thank you for your words of comfort!! You hit all the remarkable characteristics of my mom to a tee!*

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**gina** - February 15, 2016 at 04:22 PM

AB

“ Sincere sympathy to the family of Ina "Mom"! She has left a lasting impression on us with all of her jokes and stories. She always said it how it was -no "cleaning it up". I'll miss her calling for Angie when she didn't answer her cell. I'll never forget the day Gina brought her by work for Angie's birthday last year dressed best of the best in her Red Hat society attire. What an awesome lady! I'm going to miss her!

*Annette Buck*

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**annette buck** - February 01, 2016 at 08:19 AM

GI

*Thank you Annette! We did have fun that day! Unfortunately she passed away the day before Angie's birthday this year, so it wasn't a happy one for Angie! But we will celebrate Mom's first birthday in heaven!*

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**gina** - February 15, 2016 at 04:25 PM

AJ

“ *To Ina's family!*

*As you Remember your Mother*

*A mother's love...beautiful, strong, enduring.*

*Thinking of you as you mourn her loss, as you continue to live guided by your mother's*

*love.*

*With Sympathy,*

*her neighbor and her friend!*

*Marvin & Alice Janca*

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**Alice Janca** - January 31, 2016 at 02:04 PM

GI

*Your words of comfort mean a lot! Love from her daughter Gina.*

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**gina** - February 15, 2016 at 04:26 PM

KP

“ *My heart goes out to all y'all. Ina is still one heck of a woman. If she said she's got your back, you knew it to be ture. I always felt better after talking with her over the years and she was always very proud of her family. She could make me laugh till my face hurt. You couldn't know her and not love her. Kevin Peasley.*

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**Kevin Peasley** - January 31, 2016 at 07:36 AM

GI

*Kevin, I'm so glad she made you laugh! She was quite a character and I never knew what she would come up with next! Wherever we went she made a friend and had them smiling! I know she's having a blast in heaven! Love her daughter Gina*

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**gina** - February 15, 2016 at 04:28 PM

EJ

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*ELWOOD&NAOMI,STEVEN@PHYLLIS,DANIEL& JUDY purchased the Garden of Memories for the family of Ina Dover Armand.*

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**ELWOOD&NAOMI,STEVEN@PHYLLIS,DANIEL& JUDY** -  
January 30, 2016 at 10:03 PM

CM

“ *Sorry for your loss -- know she's in a better place but will be missed by so many. She was such a sweet lady*  
*Larry & Carol Mobley*

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**Carol Mobley** - January 30, 2016 at 05:19 PM

GI

*Thank you Carol! She will be missed a lot! Love Gina*

**gina** - February 15, 2016 at 04:31 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ina Dover Armand.*



January 30, 2016 at 02:30 PM

HM

“ *Harold & Laverne Maddox purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Ina Dover Armand.*



**Harold & Laverne Maddox** - January 30, 2016 at 01:13 PM

BC

“ *BRANDON, MIKE, LINDZIE AND JESSE CANTRELL purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Ina Dover Armand.*



**BRANDON, MIKE, LINDZIE AND JESSE CANTRELL** - January 30, 2016 at 01:09 PM

DP

“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. You are all in my prayers. Love to you all.*  
*Debbie Aldridge Pennington*

**Debbie Aldridge Pennington** - January 29, 2016 at 11:04 PM

GI

*Thank you sweet cousin!! Love to you!*

gina - January 30, 2016 at 09:58 AM

RU

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. Please be comforted knowing what 1Peter 5:7 says:  
"Throw all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you."  
With Sympathy.*

Ruby - January 29, 2016 at 06:45 PM

GI

*I love and believe in that scripture! Thank you for the reminder!*

gina - January 30, 2016 at 09:57 AM

RT

“ *Mickey so sorry for your loss will keep your family in my prayers.  
Rosa tindall*

Rosa tindall - January 29, 2016 at 04:53 PM

GI

*Thank you Rosa!*

gina - January 30, 2016 at 09:56 AM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the  
family of Ina Dover Armand.*



January 29, 2016 at 11:56 AM

SA

“ They just don't make them like Ina anymore. The stories, the jokes, her laugh, and her smile has always brought joy to everyone's lives. Ina was a gift from heaven, like an angel that came and made our lives beautiful. Goodness belongs to heaven, and I know she is smiling down at all of us. I know how much Ina loved her family, and I know her family will miss her terribly, and I will miss her just as much. Ina you will remain in our hearts forever. Sending my love and sympathy to her family. Love, Sheree' ”

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**Sheree' Akins** - January 28, 2016 at 04:00 PM

GI

*Thank you, we all will miss her smile and sense of humor!*

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**gina** - January 30, 2016 at 10:00 AM

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*Sherre' Mom loved you so much! Thank you so loving her ,checking up on her and always laughing at her jokes! You are right she will be missed terribly! Love you*

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**gina** - January 30, 2016 at 10:03 AM