



## Isobel "Issy" Mall

April 3, 2021

Isobel "Issy" Mall went to her eternal home on Saturday, April 3, 2021. Born in Optima, Oklahoma, Issy graduated from McAllen High School in 1951 and St John's Lutheran College in 1953. She married her husband of 65 years, Roy, at St. Paul Lutheran Church, McAllen in 1954.

Issy was born to be a teacher. She began teaching kindergarten immediately after graduating from junior college and, later, taught elementary at St Paul Lutheran School in McAllen. Issy went on to have a thirty-year career teaching Typing, Business English and Office Education at McAllen High School. Upon retirement, she and her husband moved to the Texas Hill Country, living in Rio Frio. Fifteen years later they returned home to McAllen for better access to medical care.

Issy is survived by her husband of 65 years, Roy Mall; her daughter, Stephanie Harris (Rodney); her son, Ben Mall; her grandchildren, Jessica Harris Ruiz (J.R.), Jacob Harris (Chelsa), Victoria Mall (Cody Anderson), Katherine Mall; and six great-grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her parents, Arthur & Freda Alpers; her brother, Victor Alpers; her brother, Melvin Alpers (Mildred); and her sister, Ruby Alpers.

Issy was an unforgettable personality; loud, opinionated, fun, bossy, and loving. She owned every room she entered and left an impression on

everyone she met. She will be sorely missed. A memorial service will be held at St Paul Lutheran Church on Tuesday, April 13th at 11am. Due to covid safety procedures, guests are asked to park in the lot at the south of the building and enter through the Southeast entrance.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations to Comfort House Services or St Paul Lutheran Church, McAllen.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

APR **13**. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Paul Lutheran Church  
300 Pecan Blvd  
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# Tribute Wall



*“ I can't believe it's been three years. As time passes, my brain starts to forget the hard years at the end. Seems like all I remember are the times when she had her wits about her... when she had opinions about everything and wasn't afraid to share them with everyone. She was loud and outspoken but was the sweetest mom one could ask for. Man, do I miss her.*

**Ben Mall** - March 18, 2024 at 01:15 PM



*“ Isobel "Issy" Mall*

October 08, 2023 at 09:43 PM



*“ Isobel "Issy" Mall*

November 29, 2022 at 06:40 AM



*“ My biggest memory of Mrs. Mall is how she always put together the Christmas Children's program at our church, St. Paul Lutheran. She got us to memorize Bible verses and Christmas hymns. Christmas Eve was just magic! She WAS the magic! What a grand teacher and lady! We will miss her.*

**Jennifer Seale** - April 12, 2021 at 08:37 AM

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“ I remember when we needed to hire secretaries at St Paul she gave us several of her top students who turned out to be excellent assets to our staff. Issy was a strong advocate for our church school serving on the school board while sharing good ideas and pitching in to help with many projects such as the auction and the. Fall Festival Truly a gift from God who lovingly gave a lot to His kingdom  
Duane Kirchner, former pastor of St Paul

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**Duane and Peggy Kirchner** - April 12, 2021 at 12:32 AM