



Nina Ruth (Onken) Zurovetz

February 2, 2026

Nina Ruth (Onken) Zurovetz, age 89, passed away on Monday, 2 February 2026 in Cuero, Texas.

She was born on December 10, 1936 in Alice, Texas to Iley Belle and Arthur Robert Onken. She was a caring mother and loving wife, grandmother, great grandmother, and sister.

Nina was an elementary school teacher for over 30 years at various private and public institutions in the Rio Grande Valley. She earned both her Bachelor's and Master's degrees from Pan American University (Edinburg), now University of Texas-Rio Grande Valley, in Elementary Education, with additional focus on Special Education Needs, and English as a Second Language. In her leisure time she enjoyed cross stitch needlework and dancing, as well as baking and trying new recipes.

Nina is preceded in death by her husband Frank Zurovetz, son Mark Zurovetz, and daughter Kelly Shropshire. She is survived by three children, Jamie of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Russell of Cuero, Texas, and Brian of San Antonio, Texas; as well as nine grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you make a donation in support of early childhood education, or to the charity of your choice.