



## Anita Marie Becker

August 6, 1941 - June 12, 2020

Anita Marie Becker, 78-year-old Miami, Oklahoma, resident passed away on Friday, June 12, 2020 in Joplin, Missouri.

Anita was born on August 6, 1941 in Hamburg, Germany, to Walter & Elizabeth (Mast) Klaus. She & her family relocated to the states & moved to Chicago, Illinois where she met the love of her life, John Becker. John & Anita shared wedding vows & were joined in holy marriage on May 28, 1960. They resided in Skokie, Illinois, where they raised their 3 children.

Anita was a housewife, mother, and volunteer. She worked at the local elementary school supervising the students on the playground. She also served as a Den Mother for the Cub Scouts and was a Girl Scout Leader.

In 1975, the family moved to Miami, Oklahoma to become business partners with her sister's family in a motel business. Anita loved to learn, so she began her education at NEO studying nursing. She worked at Miami Baptist Hospital as a Registered Nurse her entire career until she retired.

Anita loved to travel across seas with her husband. She loved the beauty of the different countries & the experience of various cultures. She enjoyed bird watching from her back porch, & especially loved watching her Purple Martins. Anita enjoyed working in her flower garden, crocheting, & swimming. Most of all, Anita loved being with her family. Her children, grandchildren, & great grandchildren were held near to her heart. She had many tea parties with her littles & had her home filled with pictures of each one of them.

Anita was preceded in death by her parents, Walter & Elizabeth Klaus; two

brothers, Walter Klaus & Reinhard Klaus and his wife Elaine; and two sisters Elfrieda Kilian and Elizabeth Rothe.

She is survived by her husband of 60 years, John Becker; three children, John Becker Jr. and wife Tammy of Miami, Oklahoma, Susan Panter and husband Kevin of Miami, Oklahoma, and Steve Becker and wife Holly of Coffeyville, Kansas; one brother-in-law, Bert Kilian; one sister-in-law, Hedwig Klaus; 8 grandchildren, John Tyler Becker and wife Alicia, Keylie Dawn Baldwin and her husband Cord, Calvin Becker and wife Sasha, Kyrie Rae Fairweather and her husband Chase, Nicholas Becker, Cameron Becker, Zachary Becker, and Alissa Terrapin; and 7 great grandchildren; John Ryne Becker, Colton Becker, Callen Gene Baldwin, Cyler Dean Baldwin, J Frazier Fairweather, Taegan Grace Becker, and Zoey Becker.

A funeral mass for Anita will be held at 10:00am, Thursday, June 18th, 2020 at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Miami, Oklahoma.

In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate donations be made to the Grand Lake Shriner's in honor of Anita. Notes of encouragement may be left at the service site or at Brown-Winter's Funeral Home and Cremation Service, Miami, Oklahoma.

## Cemetery Details

### Grand Army of the Republic

2801 North Main Street  
Miami, OK 74354

## Previous Events

### Mass of Christian Burial

JUN 18. 10:00 AM (CT)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church  
2515 North Main  
Miami, OK 74354  
sacredheartmiami@cableone.net  
<http://www.dioceseoftulsa.org/index.cfm?load=org&org=51>

# Tribute Wall

LB

“ Love Bill purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Anita Marie Becker.



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**Love Bill** - June 17, 2020 at 06:06 PM

RD

“ Anita was a dear friend to my parents and as they aged she and John were so good about taking them to dinner and even taking them on a “road trip” to St. Louis. She provided a great deal of socialization for them that they might not have had, had she not been there for them. Even when my parents moved away from Miami she was good about calling and visiting them always bringing lunch. She was a very kind and caring friend who will be missed. My condolences to her family.

*Rebecca Davis*

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**Rebecca Davis** - June 16, 2020 at 03:09 PM

SD

“ My sincere condolences to Anita’s family. I worked with Anita both as a LPN and as a new RN. She mentored me and taught me core nursing values that I still carry with me today. We became fast friends and shared plenty of stories about our families. Sometimes we would laugh until we cried, both at ourselves and sometimes at our stories. She was a kind and compassionate role model for so many nurses that are in the workplace today. Our paths crossed for a special reason and I’ve never forgotten her or all the fun times we shared. God puts special people like her in our lives to teach us things and Anita certainly taught me. Rest in Eternal peace, Anita.



Shelia Draper-Johnston - June 15, 2020 at 11:05 PM

JG

“ I loved working with Anita. She was an excellent nurse and always had a smile.

Janet Glenn - June 15, 2020 at 05:53 PM

RR

“ I have many fond memories of my Tante Anita. I will miss her dearly. But she has been welcomed with open arms and I can picture the laughter and joy as Grandma & Grandpa and her brothers and sisters welcome her "home".

Richard Rothe - June 14, 2020 at 10:17 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Anita Marie Becker.



June 14, 2020 at 09:45 PM

ST

“ Anita was my work Mom, she taught me so much, I worked with her for 12 years before I went to work in Hospice, she saved the lives of several patients she took care of as many nurses do and will in their careers, she was so discerning. When my daughter Katie was married she crocheted her a large bedspread with hearts on it, I loved her dearly and so sorry for your loss  
Susie Tippit

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**Susie Tippit** - June 14, 2020 at 08:16 PM

SE

Oma was loved by so many and had a huge giving heart. Her family meant everything to her and especially the "littles". Even though my husband and I were not related to Oma she still treated us like family. You will be missed terribly, but I'm sure there is a great rejoicing going on right now with those that have gone before you. RIP Oma...we love you.

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**Susan and Denny Elrod** - June 14, 2020 at 11:53 PM

DS

“ Oh I was so shocked to hear of my good friend passing. My prayers go out to her family she loved so much. She loved being Oma to her "little guys" she talked about so much. We've known the family since they came here from Chicago and we worked together at the Thunderbird where we made so many memories. I will miss Anita and our talks. She always made me feel so loved. No more pain, my sweet friend. We will see you again soon.

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**Darrel & Kay Simmons** - June 14, 2020 at 02:25 PM

DM

“ *All my memories of Anita involve her laughter and smiles.*



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**Don Mustain** - June 14, 2020 at 02:18 PM

JP

“ *Anita was always a fun loving inspiration. Amazing co-worker and friend! I'm so sorry for your loss! Prayers for her family* 🙏🙏🙏🙏

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**Julie Purcell** - June 14, 2020 at 12:35 PM