



## Nina Tinkle

December 31, 2020

Nina Mercer McDonald Tinkle, 89, of Magnolia, Texas, passed away on December 31, 2020, in Houston, Texas.

Nina was born on June 8, 1931 in Elysian Fields, Texas, to Bert and Mattie Mae (Woodley) Mercer. She attended Elysian fields High School where she was a member of the basketball team. She graduated in 1949.

Nina loved the Lord, and accepted Christ at the age of 17, while spending time in a pea patch.

She fell in love and married Donald Hugh McDonald, on March 15. They resided in Beaumont, Brookland and later on in Magnolia, Texas. They were the owners of Kampus Korner in Beaumont, for many years. Nina and Don were married for 48 years and were blessed with 2 children.

Nina was widowed in 2000, and in 2003 she married Leonard John Tinkle of Magnolia, Texas. They were together for 6 years until his death in 2009.

Nina enjoyed cooking, sewing, going to Church, gardening and watching her flowers grow. She loved the Lord, her children, her family and her friends. She had one of the most generous hearts and would make people smile with her sweet voice.

Nina is survived by her children, Kathy Wheeler and husband, Hiram, John McDonald and wife, Jeanne. Grandchildren, Cassandra Wheeler, Jacob Wheeler and wife, Kristen, Wendy Martin and husband, Lawrence, Jessica Fenley and husband, Cody, Tiffany Randolph and husband, John, Bobby Clark and wife, Karrie. Great Grandchildren, Tessa Wheeler, Warren Hill,

Adrienne Hill, Kahlan Martin, Lauren Martin, Johnathan Martin, Owen Fenley, Ava Fenley, Ethan Randolph, Greyson Randolph, Brandon Clark, and Cameron Clark. Siblings, BW Mercer and wife, Mary Frances, Ella Mae Pierce, Jimmy Mercer and Betty Railey and husband, Jack. Numerous nieces and nephews. Special niece Freida Moore and husband, Joe. Best friend Laura Shaver and husband, Billy. Special Friends Stella and Nolan O'neil. Countless other friends and acquaintances.

Nina is preceded in death by by her parents Bert and Mattie Mae Mercer, husband Donald Hugh McDonald, husband Leonard Tinkle, siblings, Louise Burt, Marie Voyles, Sybil McDaniel, Henry Bell Mercer and Joe Bailey Mercer. The Addison family and staff of Magnolia Funeral Home extend condolences to her family and friends during this difficult time.

# Previous Events

## Viewing/Visitation

JAN 9. 8:45 AM - 9:45 AM (CT)

Magnolia Funeral Home  
811 South Magnolia Blvd.  
Magnolia, TX 77355  
(281) 356-3363  
magnoliafh@yahoo.com  
<https://magnoliafunerals.com>

## Graveside Service

JAN 9. 2:00 PM (PT)

Evergreen Cemetery  
1050 N Main St.  
Jasper, TX 95951

# Tribute Wall

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“ There are not enough words to express how much Miss Nina meant to me and my family. She was one of my biggest fans as I was of her's. She was always there for no matter what the circumstances were. She made time for me, listened to me, and made me feel special and loved. She would always try to come up with a solution to help out with any problems or situations that I, or anyone else she cared for would encounter.

*She was a constant presence to me in an ever changing world, a stable and safe place to fall, and a trusted friend like no other. She was not only my best friend but she was also like a mother to me. I felt like I had the best of both worlds.*

*We met 20 years ago at Community Bible Study in Magnolia and we had an instant connection. It was a true blessing from God that carried us through 20 years of every day conversations and every week visits.*

*I admired Miss Nina and I respected her. I looked up to her and I valued her thoughts and opinions. She had the sweetest voice, the biggest heart, and the kindest soul. She loved my family like her own and she was so good to my two granddaughters Addyson and Hannah.*

*Miss Nina loved the Lord and she was a witness for Christ. She told me right before she passed away that she had forgiven everyone because God tells us that for us to be forgiven, we have to forgive others.*

*I will miss so many things about Miss Nina that there are too many to list, but I will especially miss hearing her say her favorite saying just about every day: “That beats all I ever heard or tell all”*

*Here is a saying that sums up how I feel about Miss Nina:*

*There is an instinct in a woman to love her own child, and an instinct to make any child who needs her love her own.*

*Thanks Miss Nina for accepting me, loving me, and making me your own. I love you with all of my heart and I will miss you every single day of the rest of my life.*

*Laura*

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**Laura Shaver** - January 07, 2021 at 11:24 PM

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“ *Kathy and John, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your families. You know how I loved going to Kampus Korner and your dad and mom were the greatest. Many memories of our fun times together.*

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**Jackie Frusha** - January 07, 2021 at 07:25 PM

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“ *I didn't meet Nina until until late in our lives, never the less I quickly and completely fell in love with her. She and my wife have a very special bound, a bond that was more like sisters than aunt and niece. I enjoyed listening to my wife's voice as it turn to a sing-song style when they were talking on the phone and Nina's pronouncing Freida as Freder. If anyone could have witnessed the interaction between these two women they would clearly understand the full concepts of respect and love.*

*Nina I miss you and I love you.*

*Joe Moore*

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**Joe Moore** - January 07, 2021 at 07:10 PM

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“ *Freida and Joe Moore purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Nina Tinkle.*



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**Freida and Joe Moore** - January 05, 2021 at 12:58 PM

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“ *Nina was my aunt but she was more like a sister and sometimes a Mother. I lived with my grandparents until I was in the fourth grade so Nina was a part of my everyday life. She curled my hair and offered me comfort when I needed it. She spent her 11th grade school year living with me. my brother and Mom because my Mom needed someone to see about us. She was wonderful, caring, loving and fun. I will always be grateful and thankful for her. She called me Freder. She was always doing for others. Her heart was huge. My heart is broken.*

*Freida Anderson Moore*

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**Freida Moore** - January 04, 2021 at 07:56 PM