



## Elona Panzer

October 27, 1935 - January 28, 2020

Services are scheduled for 10 a.m. Saturday, February 22nd at Our Lady of La Salette Mission in Double Adobe, Arizona, for Elona Jeanne Panzer of Double Adobe. Burial of her cremains will follow in the Julia Page Memorial Park in Douglas, Arizona.

Elona Panzer, 84, went to be with her Lord and Savior on Tuesday, January 28, 2020 in Carlsbad, New Mexico.

Elona was born October 27, 1935, in Enid, Oklahoma, the daughter of Everett and Jessie (McCarroll) Biggerstaff. Her family later moved to Phoenix, Arizona where she finished high school.

She met John Panzer, when he was stationed at Luke Air Force Base in Phoenix, Arizona. They were married May 31, 1953 in Phoenix. Later that year they moved to John's home town, Baltimore, Maryland. The family then moved to Double Adobe, Arizona in 1957.

Elona was a homemaker and worked for Southern Arizona Auto Company. She and John owned Falcon Motors in Douglas, Arizona. She worked for the Double Adobe School System, in the cafeteria department and driving a school bus. She also worked for the Cochise County Health Department and the Arizona State Department, retiring in 2001.

Elona Panzer was a member of the Homemaker Club, and a 4-H Leader. She raised, raced, and sold Race Horses. She also raised and sold Bassett Hounds. She loved animals! She was a member of Our Lady of La Salette Mission.

Elona moved to Artesia, NM to be closer to sons in October 2017.

Survivors include daughters Janine Panzer of Artesia, NM and Colleen Patchen of Double Adobe, Arizona. She is survived by her sons Danny Panzer and wife Cindy of Artesia, NM, and Mike Panzer and wife Cheri of Carlsbad, NM. She is also survived by eleven Grandchildren and seventeen Great Grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 59 years, John J. Panzer: Two

children, John V. (Casey) Panzer and GeorgeAnn Panzer: Her parents , 2 sisters and 2 brothers.

The family wishes to publicly express its gratitude to those who provided excellent and loving care for Elona during her failing health and especially the staff at Good Life Senior Living in Carlsbad, NM.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial contributions be made to Our Lady of La Salette Mission, c/o St. Bernard Catholic Church 2308 N. McKinley Street, Pirtleville, AZ 85626 or Good Life Senior Living, 801 Cherry Lane, Carlsbad, NM 88220.

Arrangements are under the directions of Westlawn Chapel & Mortuary.

# Cemetery Details

## Julia Page Memorial Park

1301 3rd Street  
Douglas, AZ 85607

# Previous Events

## Service

FEB **22**. 10:00 AM (MT)

Our Lady of La Salette  
3879 W. New Mission Lane  
McNeal, AZ 85617

# Tribute Wall



“ *Elona Panzer*

January 30, 2023 at 12:50 AM



“ *Elona's memorial service has come and gone. Her family returned her to her home to be by her family who have gone first. The service for her was a beautiful tribute to her memory and the legacy of a wonderful family who loved her and cherish her memory. Janine, Danny, and Mike and all of her family and friends will carry their love for her forward. Elona was my friend and I will miss her the rest of my life. She always made me feel like something fun and exciting was going to happen. Being her friend was a joyous experience.*

**Mary McDonald** - February 24, 2020 at 01:19 PM



“ *Anti Elona always gave of herself freely and made us feel loved. We were so excited when we were able to travel down south to visit her, uncle John and the gang. Even though we grew up and moved away, Anti Elona managed to keep in touch... even if just to say hello and ask, how are you. My memories of her are nothing but wonderful. With love and sympathy, Kevin, Katja and the boys.*

**Kevin Gillies** - February 21, 2020 at 05:11 PM



“ *Tommy and Melanie Wilson purchased the Multicolor Pastel Sympathy Basket for the family of Elona Panzer.*



**Tommy and Melanie Wilson** - February 18, 2020 at 07:54 PM



“ *Lavender & White Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of Elona Panzer.*



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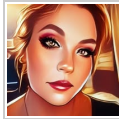
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“ *I loved staying at the Panzer house. Elona was always such a great hostess and made me feel like part of the family. She had an infectious sense of humor and could make you laugh so easily. She loved her kids and both she and John supported them in everything. The Panzers played an important part in my life memories. Love you Janine, Danny, and Mike. Love, Candy Gill Milam*

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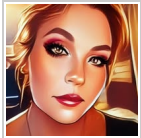
**Candy Gill Milam** - February 14, 2020 at 02:17 PM



*Thank you Candy!*

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**Joleen Hedges** - February 19, 2020 at 07:08 PM

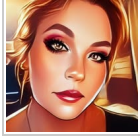


“ *Joleen Hedges lit a candle in memory of Elona Panzer*



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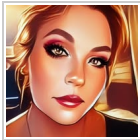
**Joleen Hedges** - February 14, 2020 at 01:39 PM



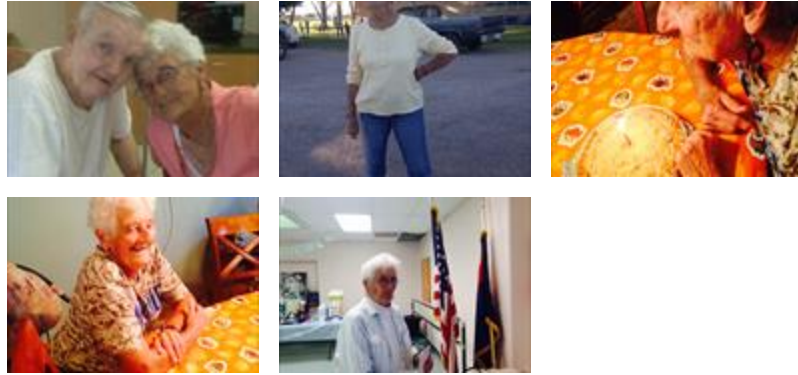
“ *Memories shared by my Uncle Danny & Aunt Cindy Panzer....her last and cherished days with loved ones!*



**Joleen Hedges** - February 14, 2020 at 01:16 PM



“ *12 files added to the tribute wall*



**Joleen Hedges** - February 11, 2020 at 02:52 PM



“ *Julie Laurence lit a candle in memory of Elona Panzer*



**Julie Laurence** - February 09, 2020 at 12:51 AM

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“ I send mega condolences to all the children and relatives and friends of our beloved Elona. She was a very important part of my life when we both worked at the Health Department. When we became neighbors, she and John were always there for my Fred and I. Elona was by my side when Fred died, and stayed there for as long as it took.  
I will always miss her friendship, but am so glad she is now with her true soulmate, John. I salute you with my morning coffee, sweet Elona.

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**Susan Struck** - February 07, 2020 at 11:56 AM

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*Elona was always such a help, problem solver and fun friend when we both worked for the Health Dept. Condolences to all her family and friends.*

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**Janice Graham** - February 13, 2020 at 09:40 AM

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“ Sending prayers for peace and comfort. We are so sorry for your loss.

*Chick and Sheran Childress*

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**Chick and Sheran Childress** - February 06, 2020 at 05:24 PM