



## Anthony Anté Vrsaljko

July 26, 1935 - March 6, 2014

### Anthony Vrsaljko

Anthony “Anté” Vrsaljko of Hammond, Louisiana since 2006, passed away peacefully at his home on Thursday, March 6, 2014 at the age of 78. Anthony was born on July 26, 1935 in Pagoda, Yugoslavia and became an American Citizen in 1962. He enjoyed gardening, family gatherings and fishing and will be missed dearly by all who loved him.

Anthony leaves behind his loving companion of 23 years, Markleen Vernon of Hammond; sisters, Maria Vrsaljko Simpson of Waikiki, West Australia, Rita Vrsaljko Krzanic of Podgora, Croatia. He is also survived by three children, Mary France Vrsaljko Yeager and husband Steven, Susan Vrsaljko Blankenship and husband Mark, Anthony Vrsaljko, Jr.; step-children, (whom loved him dearly), Jerry and Rachel Vernon, Fonda and Joseph Perlander, Jana Vernon, Miranda and Lyn Jones and Quade Vernon; 15 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

Preceding Anthony in death were his parents, Šimun and Pere Vrsaljko of Yugoslavia; 10 brothers and sisters all of Yugoslavia.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the visitation from the chapel of Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home, west of Hammond, on

Tuesday, March 11, 2014 from 10:00 a.m. until the funeral service at 11:00 a.m. Rev. Sammy Smith will officiate the services.

Condolences and other information are available online at [www.thompsoncares.com](http://www.thompsoncares.com)

Arrangements have been entrusted to Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 11. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home  
12012 Hwy. 190 West  
Hammond, LA 70401

## Funeral Service

MAR 11. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

MY

“ *Mary Frances Yeager lit a candle in memory of Anthony Anté Vrsaljko*



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**Mary Frances Yeager** - April 30, 2014 at 02:07 PM

AV

“ *Anthony S. Vrsaljko lit a candle in memory of Anthony Anté Vrsaljko*



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**Anthony S. Vrsaljko** - April 13, 2014 at 09:05 PM

MK

“ *With deepest symphaties to Markleen.*

*Dear brother,*

*Destiny wanted to separate our lives, but never did manage to diminish our love.*

*After 40 years of living separated lives, you've managed to unite with two of us sisters briefly in your new homeland. We thank you for it from the bottom of our harts, now once again on this sad day.*

*Rest in peace dear brother, and thank you for everything you did for us.*

*Your sister Rita with family*

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**Milivoj Kržanic** - March 12, 2014 at 03:13 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Anthony Anté Vrsaljko.*



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March 10, 2014 at 09:24 AM

AL

“ Our deepest sympathies to Markleen and Family

*My Dear Brother left Podgora Croatia in 1953 to seek a better life in America.*

*America gave Ante that better life and as the wonderful generous brother he was, he gave to us the same opportunity for my family to start a new life here in Australia.*

*He never wanted to be repaid for his kindness, that's how he was.*

*We lived on opposite sides of the world we talked as often as we could .*

*We were lucky to spend time to together whenever we could visit.*

*We have treasured memories of our last visit when Mili and Rita were able to join us for Christmas. Our first Christmas together since 1953.*

*Markleen and Ante opened their home and their hearts to us .*

*Markleen is a special wonderful lady who brought to my darling brother many happy years.*

*Our thoughts and best wishes are with you Markleen today and always.*

*Ante my dearest Brother rest in peace you will never be forgotten*

*Maria Simpson, Alvin and Debra Letica*

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**Alvin Letica** - March 10, 2014 at 08:36 AM

JL

“ Our deepest sympathies to Markleen.

*Ante will be sadly missed by us all.*

*It was his kindness and generosity that changed our lives for the better.*

*Ante's generosity helped to get us to Australia and started a new life for our family.*

*I cannot imagine what sort of a life I would have had if we had not come to Australia.*

*I only had the pleasure to meet Ante once in my adult life a choice I regret.*

*My thanks to Ante and Markleen.*

*God Bless you*

*Jim Letica*

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**James Letica** - March 09, 2014 at 08:36 PM

JL

“ Jim , leanne and Hannah Letica purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Anthony Anté Vrsaljko.



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**Jim , leanne and Hannah Letica** - March 09, 2014 at 08:27 PM