



## Cloren "Tut" Margarite Garlotte Lavender

March 8, 1921 - May 4, 2016

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Cloren passed away on May 4, 2016 in Hammond, Louisiana. She was born in Biloxi, Mississippi on March 8, 1921 to Clorende Margarite Champagne Garlotte and Joseph Arthur Garlotte. She grew up in Franklin, Louisiana where she was voted "Prettiest Girl" when she graduated from high school.

Dorian Frank Lavender saw a picture of her taped by the bunk of one of his Navy ship-mates, Joseph Arthur Garlotte, Jr. Joseph eventually brought him home during a leave to meet Cloren in person. Dorian started writing Cloren. Eventually they married in June of 1947 and had 5 children: Sharon Margarite, Judy Marie, Corliss Lucille, and Dorian Frank, Jr. Cloren and Dorian lived in Baton Rouge and Baker while their children grew up.

Cloren retired as the Secretary of Baker Middle School in East Baton Rouge Parish. She was an active member of St. Isidore Catholic Church. Her friends there were numerous including those in her favorite organization, the Catholic Daughters.

After Dorian retired, they moved to Boliver, Louisiana. While living there, Tut enjoyed sewing and having lunch with The Boliver Belles. She started oil painting and continued a hobby of painting ceramics. She won several ribbons

after entering these works of art in competitions. They enjoyed the country life there for about 12 years. Their next move was to Albany, Louisiana. In this community, Tut enjoyed being a member of St. Margaret's Catholic Church, shopping with Corliss, and participating in activities at the Senior Center in Springfield.

Cloren is survived by her daughter Sharon Margarite Lavender, of Broussard, LA; her daughter Dr. Judy Lavender Nicholas and her husband Abraham Jerome Nicholas, of Shreveport, LA; her son-in-law Denis Joseph Ivanyisky, of Albany, LA; and her son Dorian "Don" Lavender, Jr., and his wife Mrunalini Patel Lavender, of London, England.

Cloren was preceded in death by her husband Dorian Frank Lavender, her daughter Corliss Lavender Ivanyisky, and Baby Boy Lavender.

Tut had 7 grandchildren (and some grandchildren-spouses). These include: Christopher Joseph Ivanyisky and wife Kimberly Clark, Katherine Anne Ivanyisky Martin and husband Kent Michael Martin, Matthew David Nicholas and wife Elizabeth Williamson, Matthew Paul Ivanyisky and wife Amanda Stinson, Joseph Andrew Nicholas, Dorian Francis Spain-Lavender, Emily Elizabeth Spain-Lavender Chin and husband Luis Lee Chin, and Bryce Evan Clark.

Tut took pride in the fact that she also had 2 great-grandchildren: Ian Michael Ivanyisky (Matthew) and Seth Anthony Ivanyisky (Christopher).

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the visitation from the chapel of Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home, Hammond, on Monday, May 9, 2016 from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. Visitation will resume at St. Margaret Catholic Church on Tuesday from 12:00 p.m. until the Mass of Christian Burial at 2:00 p.m. Father Jamin David will officiate and interment will follow in the

church cemetery.

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.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Margaret Catholic Church Cemetery

30300 Catholic Hall Rd.  
Albany, LA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 9. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home - Hammond, LA  
12012 Highway 190 W  
Hammond, LA 70401  
(225) 567-1884

## Visitation

MAY 10. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM.

St. Margaret Catholic Church

## Mass of Christian Burial

MAY 10. 2:00 PM.

St. Margaret Catholic Church

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Christine Menard lit a candle in memory of Cloren "Tut" Margarite Garlotte Lavender*



Christine Menard - May 07, 2016 at 10:15 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Cloren "Tut" Margarite Garlotte Lavender .*



May 07, 2016 at 01:35 PM

PJ

“ *So sorry to hear of Mrs. Tuts passing. I would see her at the senior center and at mass at St. Margaret when I lived in Louisiana. My prayers will be for her and the family. She was such a beautiful lady.*



Peggy Monistere Johnspn - May 06, 2016 at 10:43 PM