



Elizabeth Ann 'Tootie' Guttzeit Calmes

December 5, 1954 - December 23, 2025

Elizabeth Ann “Tootie” Guttzeit Calmes departed this earthly world for her heavenly home on Tuesday, December 23, 2025 at the age of 71. Tootie was a native of Ethel, LA and a resident of Hammond. She was an alumni of Southeastern Louisiana University, a Master Gardener and a talented artist who won multiple awards for her fine woven items. She regularly taught basket weaving and pine needle basket making classes for the Hammond Art Guild. Tootie was an active and dedicated member of Creekside Baptist Church.

Tootie is survived by her loving husband of 50 years, Harry B. Calmes; son Daniel (Leah Genusa Calmes); grandsons, Mason and Seeley; mother, Ruth Howell Guttzeit; brother, Albert Joseph “Goody” Guttzeit (Lauren); sister Mary Ruth Guttzeit Dixon; as well as multiple nieces, nephews and cousins.

Tootie is preceded in death by her father Albert F. “Sonny” Guttzeit, Jr.. A special thank you to Dan and Lisa Bateman for the loving care and assistance in her final months and days.

Visitation will be held at Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home 7738 Florida Blvd, Denham Springs, on Monday, January 5, 2026, beginning at 10am with a service at 12pm led by Bro. Mark Long. Private interment to be held at a later date.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 5. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Brandon G Thompson Funeral Home Denham Springs
7738 Florida Blvd.
Denham Springs, LA 70726

Memorial Service

JAN 5. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Elizabeth Ann 'Tootie' Guttzeit Calmes*



Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home - January 07 at 01:38 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Elizabeth Ann 'Tootie' Guttzeit Calmes.*



January 02 at 08:54 AM



“ *Love, Howell Shearer family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Elizabeth Ann 'Tootie' Guttzeit Calmes.*

Love, Howell Shearer family - January 02 at 08:54 AM

NH

“ In the year I knew Tootie through the Master Gardener program, she shared her plant knowledge, creativity, and kindness with a generous heart. Even when she wasn't feeling her best, she remained thoughtful and helpful to others. She will be dearly missed and fondly remembered.

Nancy Hill - December 30, 2025 at 08:16 PM

SM

“ Tootie was the most talented person I have ever known and always ready to share her talents with anyone who asked. The world will be a little grayer without her

Sandra Madere - December 30, 2025 at 10:49 AM

JD

“ An artist with multiple talents, a friend through good times and difficult times, kind and caring and more than generous with her many talents, her time and her vast wealth of knowledge. Tootie was a treasured friend. Prayers for strength and peace for her family.

Jana Dickerson & family

Jana Dickerson - December 28, 2025 at 01:18 PM

JW

“ A caring and very talented lady who was always taking care of others without concern for herself. As a gardener, she loved & knew her plants & flowers. We will miss our Tootie.

Jackie Williams

jackie williams - December 27, 2025 at 06:20 PM