



Gertrude "Gertie Jo" Darouse

January 15, 1935 - September 23, 2019

Gertie Jo, age 84 went to be with the Lord on Monday, September 23, 2019. She was a lifelong resident of Hammond, LA. In her early years she worked as a telephone operator and later took over her husband's business as an insurance agent. Gertie Jo was a devout Christian woman and truly lived for the Lord. She was an avid member of Jerusalem Baptist Church and never missed a single church event. She taught Sunday school, sang in the choir, and was involved in every Vacation Bible School. Gertie Jo lived for others and constantly put her family's needs first. In some of her spare time she enjoyed doing puzzles and always did the morning paper crossword. Gertie Jo was a kind and gentle woman, loving mother, and caring grandmother who will be deeply missed.

Gertie Jo is survived by her daughter, Ruby "Betsy" Darouse Pizzolato (Kevin); son, Jeffrey Fritz Darouse; sisters, Margarette Martin and Joyce Martin Mitchell; grandchildren, Laura Elise Allain (Chet), Gabriel Pizzolato, Kyle Pizzolato, and Abbie Gayle; great-grandchildren, Kent Allain and John-Paul Allain; and brothers-in-law, Gene Traylor and Jerry Foster.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Fritz "Tootsie" Darouse; parents, Ruby and Odie Martin; sisters, Allie Martin Traylor, Gladys Martin Foster; brother, George Prentiss Martin; and grandparents, Allie and George Martin, Prentiss and Josephine Dyess.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend the visitation at Jerusalem Baptist Church on Thursday, September 26, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. until the funeral

service at 12:00 p.m. Interment will follow in the church cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Jerusalem Baptist Church Cemetery

11109 Jerusalem Church Rd.
Hammond, LA 70403

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **26**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Jerusalem Baptist Church
11109 Jerusalem Church Rd.
Hammond, LA

Funeral Service

SEP **26**. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gertrude "Gertie Jo" Darouse.*



September 25, 2019 at 04:14 PM



“ *Thank you Gertie Jo for caring about the environment and bringing newspapers (yes with all the puzzles done) & water bottles to church on Sunday for as long as you could so I could recycle them. I was blessed to have the privilege of knowing such a sweet lady.*

Carol Lewis - September 25, 2019 at 04:08 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Gertrude "Gertie Jo" Darouse.*



September 25, 2019 at 08:15 AM



“ *Robbie Herring lit a candle in memory of Gertrude "Gertie Jo" Darouse*



Robbie Herring - September 24, 2019 at 10:57 PM

RH

“ I hate to hear this. When I had the privilege of sitting with Mrs Gertie, I absolutely fell in love with her. We used to play in the bed and watch Everybody Loves Raymond, and we talked about our kids, and life. She always told me to pray for her and she would pray for me. So many good memories with her. I cried like a baby when I couldn't sit with her anymore. Just like I'm crying now. Fly high sweet lady. I will never forget you. You touched my life more than you knew

Robbie Herring - September 24, 2019 at 10:52 PM

RH

It's supposed to be lay in the bed...NOT play 🙄

Robbie Herring - September 24, 2019 at 10:56 PM

GA

“ So sorry for your loss. Good memories with her husband Tootsie Back when. Our prayers are with you.

Gordon Anderson - September 24, 2019 at 09:42 PM

KS

“ There Are So Many Wonderful Memories!! We Have Always Been a Very Close, and Comical Family. I Always Enjoyed Her Wonderful Personality. She Loved to Laugh and Just Be Silly!! She Was So Warm Hearted and Loved Us Family Members. I Am Her Great Niece and Enjoyed Spending Time, Nights, and Laughs With Her Always!! She Always Told Me to Watch Out for Those Frogs! Lol. She Was Something Else!! I Will Miss Her and Cherish Her Forever!! I Love You So Much Aunt Gertie!!!

Kacy Faught Starks - September 24, 2019 at 07:28 PM

VM

So sorry for your loss. My prayers for comfort and strength in the days to come during your time of sorrow. In the last couple years of my mother Carolyn Neal's life she often spoke of the special friendship she and Mrs. Gertie Jo had growing up. I remember taking mama to see Mrs. Gertie Jo when the both of them were in Heritage Manor we came to a tv sitting area of the nursing home and right away even with mama's dementia getting worse she recognized Mrs. Gertie Jo before I did. Mama said there's my best friend. Well I see them as friends together in Heaven now. God Bless the memories we all share of our loved ones called to their Heavenly homes.

vickie mccarroll - September 25, 2019 at 12:38 AM

JF

Aunt Gertie Gertie, oh the so many many memories I have if you and Uncle Tootsie. There is not enough room or words that can explain everything I would want to tell everyone. You were always coming up with something unique in everything we did from fishing to vacations together. I Love You And am certainly going to miss you. Love Jim Faught

Jimmy "Joseph" Faught - September 25, 2019 at 12:17 PM