



Josie Varisco Mitchell

December 15, 1925 - June 14, 2013

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Age 87 and a longtime resident of Hammond, Josie passed away on Friday, June 14, 2013 at North Oaks Medical Center. She was a parishioner at Holy Ghost Catholic Church, where she was a member of the Rosary Altar Society and served as a Eucharistic Minister. Josie retired from Southeastern Louisiana University after 20 years of dedicated service and was a volunteer at North Oaks Medical Center for 22 years, but most importantly was a loving mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.

Josie leaves behind her loving children, Karen Granier, Brenda Eyster and husband Warren, Donna Brooks and husband David, Dr. John H. Mitchell, Jr.; grandchildren, Scott Eyster, Lauren Eyster, Mallory Pastureau and husband Everett, John Mitchell and wife Lauren, David Brooks, Jr. and wife Jenny, Daniel Brooks and wife Melanie, Dustin Brooks and wife Kendra, along with 12 great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her brother, Frank Varisco of Texas, as well as, numerous nieces and nephews.

Preceding Josie in death were her husband, John H. Mitchell; parents, Victor and Dorothy LaRocca Varisco; son-in-law, Larry Granier; siblings, Sal Varisco, Sara V. Fulton.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the visitation at Holy Ghost Catholic Church on Tuesday, June 18, 2013 from 9:00 a.m. until the Mass of Christian Burial at 11:00 a.m. Fr. Robert Merced will celebrate the Mass and interment will follow in Rose Memorial Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to North Oaks Hospice.

Condolences and other information are available online at www.thompsoncares.com.

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

Cemetery Details

Rose Memorial Park Cemetery

908 Western Avenue
Hammond, LA

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 18. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Holy Ghost Catholic Church
600 Oak St.
Hammond, La

Mass of Christian Burial

JUN 18. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Burial

JUN 18. 12:00 PM (CT)

Rose Memorial Park Cemetery
908 Western Avenue
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Tribute Wall

LL

“ I am very sorry to learn of your loss. I never really knew Miss Josie except for seeing her at church. I just found out yesterday that she passed away. Even without knowing her very well, she was always so sweet and would talk to me and my family. She made quite an impact on me. Her sweet smile will be missed.

Lisa Lauro - June 24, 2013 at 02:01 PM

DR

“ So sorry, dear Karen, to learn of your mother's passing. Your parents were influences for good. I feel a special identification with you in that we were classmates at Hammond High and my parents have likewise departed. You have been in my thoughts all day during this time of memories. For you I am praying. If I can do anything to help you, I welcome you to let me know. You are a wonderful person. - Dave.Ramsey@southeastern.edu, Tel. (985) 542.6845.

David Ramsey - June 19, 2013 at 11:09 PM

EM

“ Dear Karen, I am sorry to hear about your mother passing. I remember her from the times I was at your home on Morris Road. She was a warm and friendly lady. I was always afraid of your Daddy and your mother make me feel safe when I was at your house. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. Your old High School Buddy, Earl Murphy.....



Earl Murphy - June 18, 2013 at 09:33 PM

BP

“ Dear Karen, Brenda, Donna and John and Family,

Truly sorry for your great loss of your mother and grandmother. Josie was a beautiful lady . She always had the sweetest smile and kindness showed in the twinkle of her eyes, She was such a special person.

Keeping you in my prayers.

Bobbie S. Wiginton Pierce

Bobbie S. Pierce - June 18, 2013 at 03:53 PM

NW

“ Karen and family, Cordell and I are thinking of you and praying that your memories will comfort you during this difficult time.

Nanette and Cordell White

Nanette White - June 17, 2013 at 08:12 PM

JD

“ Dearest Karen, Brenda, and family, what a wonderful picture of your mother with just exactly the beautiful smile that greeted me each time I saw her. Her sweet and loving spirit lives on in her daughters. Her memory will live on in those of us who were privileged to have that bright smile shine upon us frequently. God bless you all. Love and prayers.

Jana O'Connell Dickerson - June 17, 2013 at 04:29 PM

TA

“ Unfortunatly, I will miss the service tomorrow as we are leaving town early tomorrow.

Tom Anderson - June 17, 2013 at 03:35 PM

TA

“ Karen, Brenda, Donna and Mitch:
Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers. Your mom and dad were two of the finest people in Hammond. Big John had such a positive influence on me in jr. hi which was a big turning point in my life. We remained good friends throughout his life. And, your mom was one of the friendliest ladies I have ever known. I loved seeing her usher at the Columbia and she never met a stranger. You all are truly a wonderful family.

best,

Tom Anderson

Tom Anderson - June 17, 2013 at 03:22 PM

GA

“ In spite of the sadness, we have many good memories. Our prayers are with you.

Gordon and Eloise Anderson - June 17, 2013 at 12:06 PM

CL

“ Carol Ann Lukes purchased the Heavenly Light for the family of Josie Varisco Mitchell.



Carol Ann Lukes - June 17, 2013 at 09:32 AM