



## Shirley Murray Johnson

September 9, 1933 - September 25, 2016

Shirley passed away at the age of 83 on Sunday, September 25, 2016, at her residence in Ponchatoula. She was an active member of St. Joseph Catholic Church. Shirley was a very sweet giving person and never turned away anyone in need. She had a great sense of humor and loved the New Orleans Saints. She had a wealth of knowledge and advice and kept a loving, caring, motherly spirit and will be greatly missed.

Shirley is survived by her daughters, Cindy Rimmer and husband Ronnie, Tricia Granger and husband David, and Vickie Johnson; grandchildren, Matthew Rimmer and wife Kristen, Angie Jennings and husband Chad, Jessy Crawford and husband Wesley, Amber Johnson, Amanda Johnson; great grandchildren, Hannah, Caleb, James, Dylan, Alyssa, Blake, Brady, Corey, Cody, Colby, Liam, Amelia, and Elliot; her sister, Evelyn Guidry and husband Raymond; her brother, Raymond Murray as well as many very special nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her husband, H.D. Johnson, Jr.; son, Mark Johnson; parents, Charles Murray Sr., and Louise Kolwe Murray; sister, Ione Watts; and brothers, Charles "Turk" Murray Jr., and Elmer Murray.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend the Rosary at Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home, Ponchatoula, on Thursday, September 29, 2016 at

10:30 a.m. with visitation to follow until the Funeral Service at 2:00 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, monetary donations may be made to St. Joseph Catholic Church 255 North 8th Street, Ponchatoula.

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

## Rosary

SEP **29.** 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home - Ponchatoula, LA  
1190 Highway 51  
Ponchatoula, LA 70454  
(985) 370-9296

## Visitation

SEP **29.** 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home - Ponchatoula, LA  
1190 Highway 51  
Ponchatoula, LA 70454  
(985) 370-9296

## Funeral Service

SEP **29.** 2:00 PM (CT)

Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home - Ponchatoula, LA  
1190 Highway 51  
Ponchatoula, LA 70454  
(985) 370-9296

# Tribute Wall



“ *I'm sorry that I was out-of-town and unable to pay my respects to the family. Mrs. Johnson always was wearing a smile and very loving and friendly to all. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.*

*Ann Randle Poche*

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**Ann Poche** - October 09, 2016 at 06:09 PM

JB

“ *Shirley and I met in 1989 at the property of Alfredo Raimondo. We became instant and forever friends. She invited me to the Charismatic meetings in Ponchatoula at that time. After the meetings came to an end we would see each other occasionally over the years. It would be like we had seen each other the day before as the conversation would pick up where we left off. Each year we would get in touch with each other, as her birthday was the day before mine. I saw her about two months ago and we talked about our birthdays coming up. Shirley had many, many sincere friends. I am grateful to have been one of them. My love to her family. You are in my prayers.*

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**JoAnn Bonura** - September 29, 2016 at 02:22 PM

DT

“ *Cindy,*

*So sorry for you and your families loss. Your mom was a genuine lady and loved her faith dearly. St. Joseph has truly lost a devoted member.*

*Donna Townsend*

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**Donna Townsend** - September 29, 2016 at 06:19 AM

GA

“ So sorry for the loss of such a sweet and dear lady. Our prayers are with you.

Gordon Anderson - September 29, 2016 at 01:06 AM

UH

“ United Medical Rehab Hospital purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Shirley Murray Johnson.




United Medical Rehab Hospital - September 28, 2016 at 06:33 PM

 Brenda Traylor

“ Brenda Traylor lit a candle in memory of Shirley Murray Johnson



Brenda Traylor - September 28, 2016 at 05:40 AM

 Brenda  
Traylor

“ Cindy, Tricia and Vickery, I loved Mrs. Shirley. She made me laugh, we made her laugh. I have such fond memories of visiting at y'all's home. She was a delight to be around. I am sorry that I didn't get to see her once we moved out of town. I loved seeing her in Church. I loved watching her interact with you girls. She was a good momma. Because I lost my mother in 2011, I know the pain you feel and the hole that exists because she is no longer a part of this physical world. But I know that our mothers watch over us. If there is anything I can do, just sharing memories, please don't hesitate to reach out to me.

*I will keep you all in my prayers. We all know where Mrs. Shirley is and we will all meet again, one day!*

*Love to all of you,  
Brenda and James Traylor*

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**Brenda Traylor** - September 28, 2016 at 05:40 AM

TB

“ C.J. I am so sorry for the loss of your mother. You are in my thoughts and prayers.



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**TAMMY BARNES** - September 28, 2016 at 04:43 AM

 Evelyn  
Meier

“ So sorry to hear of your Mom's passing. Praying for peace and comfort for your family during this difficult time. Evelyn Kluka Meier

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**Evelyn Meier** - September 27, 2016 at 09:08 PM

DA

“ When I was assigned to serve at St. Joseph's 4 years ago, Shirley was one of the first people I was happy to see & be re-acquainted with. She is a dear friend from the past. Twenty-five or thirty years ago I regularly attended a Thursday night charismatic prayer meeting at St. Joseph's in the old convent building which has long since been torn down. The prayer meeting was led by C.J. Derveloy & attended by Shirley, some Ernsts, some Drudes & some Pughs. Just to mention a few. I consider the Charismatic Prayer Meetings as one of the stepping stones that I encountered on my way to studying & being Ordained a permanent Deacon. Shirley's faith & love for God & her fellow man touched & influenced my life. I will miss her. Please accept my condolences & know that I share in your loss & I am praying for you all as you go through this sad time & I believe that Shirley's prayers, in God's presence, are being heard & answered & those prayers are for you, those she cherished & loved in this life.



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**Deacon Michael Agnello** - September 27, 2016 at 06:50 PM

TP

“ Your family is in our prayers. Auntie was one of a kind. She was stern when we were kids but it was always out of love for us. I know she will be missed by so many.

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**Toshia Perrin** - September 27, 2016 at 01:32 PM

VE

“ Sorry to hear about the passing of Ms. Shirley. She had a beautiful spirit! May she rest in peace as she lived in peace!

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**Venola L. Johnson, Esq.** - September 27, 2016 at 02:10 AM

SD

*Always a friend! Shirley will be missed for many reasons! Loved her, her sense of humor, her laugh! May she rest in the loving arms of our dear Savior whom she loved and served on this earth.*

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**shirley darouse** - September 27, 2016 at 08:21 PM

DB

*“ Cindy, Tricia and Vickie, I was shocked to hear about your mother. Words cannot express my sorrow for your family. I will always remember her as a very kind, sweet and loving lady that always had a smile for you. I so enjoyed all the conversations I had with her over the many years that I have known her. I am so sorry for your loss, I pray that your sorrow will be softened by all the loving memories you have of your dear mother. She will forever live in your hearts and shared memories. May God bless all of you and help you through this difficult time.*

*Deborah Barron*

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**Deborah Barron** - September 27, 2016 at 12:10 AM

TP

*“ I'm gonna miss Mrs. Shirley smile and her coming to Bootsys. She will truly be missed.*

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**Terrie Primas** - September 26, 2016 at 07:20 PM

KM

*“ Shirley always took time for a friendly smile and conversation. She will be missed.*

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**Kathryn J. Martin** - September 26, 2016 at 05:28 PM



*One of the sweetest ladies I've ever known. Loved doing church ministries with her before I moved to Georgia after Katrina. R.I.P. Mrs. Shirley.*

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**Cheryl Twickler** - September 26, 2016 at 07:21 PM



*I only see Mrs. Shirley once a year at Christmas time but she always had a smile on her face. My prayers for Cindy. Patricia and Vicky. May God comfort you through this difficult time.*

*Love,  
Sheila*

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**Sheila Ragan** - September 27, 2016 at 10:54 AM