



Mr. Andrew Harold Dartez

October 3, 1938 - December 6, 2019

OBITUARY

Andrew Harold Dartez, known by most as “Coach”, was born on October 3, 1938 in New Orleans, LA, to James Arthur Dartez and Eva Frilot Dartez. God looked upon his flock and called his son to his heavenly home on December 6, 2019. Funeral services will be at Our Lady Queen of Angels Catholic Church on Saturday, December 14, 2019 at 11:00 AM. A Rosary will be recited at 10:00 AM. Interment will be in Bellevue Memorial Park.

He attended and completed his education at Holy Ghost Catholic School in Opelousas, LA, St. Michael’s College (now College of Santa Fe), Santa Fe, Mexico and Masters at Southern University in Baton Rouge, LA. He was an educator at Holy Ghost Catholic School, after completion of his college education in New Mexico; a teacher and coach at J.S. Clark School, Opelousas High School. After Years of educational instruction in the classroom, he became St. Landry Parish Assistant Superintendent of Education until his retirement. He is a member of the Knights of St. Peter Claver, the Inseparable Friends Benevolent Society, Our Lady Queen of Angels Ushers and the St. Landry Parish Retired Teachers Association. He was a great man in the community. In addition to all his educational contributors, he was a father figure and a role model to so many young and older men as well. He will be miss greatly by all.

Mourning his passing, yet cherishing his precious memories are his wife, Elaine Collins Dartez of Opelousas; his son, David K. (Jennifer) Dartez of

Ventress, Louisiana; two granddaughters, Michelle A. Dartez of Lafayette, Louisiana and Malia Dartez-Nowlin (Destini) of Dallas, Texas; one sister-in-law, Estelle Louise (Harold Jr.) Vincent of New Orleans, Louisiana, two brothers-in-law, Jerome (Slyvia) Collins and Joseph E. (Cheryl) Collins, both of Opelousas, Louisiana; and a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins and friends.

He was preceded in death by his daughter, Karen D. Dartez; his parents: James Arthur Dartez and Eva Frlot Dartez; one brother, James Arthur Dartez, Jr. of Chicago, one sister and brother-in-law, Velma Dartez Dugar and Raymond Dugar of Lake Charles; one sister-in-law, Jacquelyn Collins Green of Opelousas, Louisiana and one brother-in-law, Charles Collins of Arizona. Share words of comfort with the family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.net Funeral arrangements are entrusted to Williams Funeral Home of Opelousas, 337-942-2037.

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Andrew Harold Dartez*

January 28, 2023 at 08:52 AM



“ *My deepest sympathy for Mr. Andrew Dartez. The ACE Basketball Coach at Holy Ghost Catholic School. I will always remember those days. Rest In Peace Sir.*

*Love,
Jacinta Frank*

(Daughter of Nathan T-Bud Frank & Irma Frank).

Jacinta Frank - December 30, 2019 at 07:18 PM



“ *Jacinta Frank lit a candle in memory of Mr. Andrew Harold Dartez*



Jacinta Frank - December 30, 2019 at 07:14 PM



“ *My condolences to the Dartez family. I have wonderful memories of his teaching at Holy Ghost. He was a great teacher, and a true professional administrator. Rest In Peace*

Theresa Brown-Thomas

Theresa Brown - December 16, 2019 at 11:45 PM

AF

“ *All our love, Glo & Your Arizona Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. Andrew Harold Dartez.*



All our love, Glo & Your Arizona Family - December 13, 2019
at 04:46 PM

SB

“ *My Condolences too you all. Mr. Harold was a very kind man. Always greeted you with a smile.*



Starla Broussard - December 13, 2019 at 11:16 AM

DA

“ *My deepest sympathy to the family...Coach D was always a positive influence at Holy Ghost. Strangely I ran into him a few months back in the store. God Bless, Rest in Peace
Dennis Auzenne*

Dennis Auzenne - December 13, 2019 at 10:32 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Andrew Harold Dartez.*



December 13, 2019 at 09:45 AM

FC

“ Dave...
I offer my condolences 🙏 to you and to your
other family members.

Francisco Cunningham



Francisco Cunningham - December 13, 2019 at 12:04 AM

EG

“ Mrs. Dartez and family, my thoughts and prayers are with you
during your time of sorrow. I had the pleasure of working with Mr.
Dartez at East Jr. High. He was a serene, inspiring gentleman. I
remain grateful for his encouraging words and advice. May he rest
in peace. Earline Guilbeau

Earline Guilbeau - December 12, 2019 at 08:33 PM

FC

“ Dave...My Condolences to you and to all your family members, as
well.

Francisco Cunningham

Francisco Cunningham - December 12, 2019 at 06:51 PM

DS

“ Debora Stevens Simms lit a candle in
memory of Mr. Andrew Harold Dartez



Debora Stevens Simms - December 12, 2019 at 04:11 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Andrew Harold Dartez.*



December 11, 2019 at 11:52 PM



“ *Dear Elaine and family,*

I was so sorry to hear of Harold's passing. He was a wonderful human being caring about/for others. I know he will be remembered for his many contributions to his community and the inspiration he passed on to his children and other families children throughout his life.

My best memories of him were on the Holy Ghost outdoor concrete basketball court (🏀) and those of our competitors, helping our team to victory and sometimes not but giving it his best effort, the good old days 😊.

God bless you and your family. May he Rest In Peace.

*Sincerely with deepest condolences,
Cynthia (Donato) Simpson*

Cynthia (Donato) Simpson - December 11, 2019 at 08:56 PM

IF

“ *Irma Dartez And Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Andrew Harold Dartez*



Irma Dartez and Family - December 11, 2019 at 08:07 PM

CP

“ *Dave. Sorry for the loss of your Dad. Prayers for God's peace for you and your family.*

Craig Pike

Craig Pike - December 11, 2019 at 07:35 PM

GO

“ *I started coaching in 1970 and it was my good fortune to be on the same staff with some very honorable men. Among them was Andrew Dartez. Andrew set an example for young coaches and his students by his actions every day! Coach Dartez always made decisions concerning his co-workers and his students based on his respect for his fellow man and his love for those students. I am very fortunate to have had Coach Dartez as a friend. I know that our community has lost one of its pillows! I just hope that one of his students that he mentored will rise up and become that missing pillow. We will miss you Coach!!!!*

*Andrew's Friend,
Michael Ortego*

G. Michael Ortego - December 11, 2019 at 11:14 AM

AB

“ *Andrea Brisco lit a candle in memory of Mr. Andrew Harold Dartez*



Andrea Brisco - December 11, 2019 at 10:33 AM

JQ

“ *My sincere condolence and deepest sympathies to Andrew's family, friends and love ones at the passing of their beloved Andrew Dartez. It was my honor to have served as the Opelousas Civil Director while Andrew served as one of the three Commission Board Members in the role of Executive Director for the Commission. May he Rest in Peace according to God's grace and mercy for his salvation.*

*Jerry J Quebedeaux
Lt. Colonel Retired LSP*



Jerry J Quebedeaux - December 11, 2019 at 09:50 AM

KO

“ I was so sorry to be scrolling on FB and see Mr. Dartez's obituary. I was a teacher in the system for 34 years and remember him so well. I can still see his smiling face sitting at his desk in the Resource Center. I think he knew my father, Murray L. Rabalais, who also served as Assistant Superintendent when John Dupre was Superintendent. He will be missed and I am praying for the repose of his soul. I also am praying for his family to find comfort at this time. Karen Rabalais Olivier

Karen R Olivier - December 11, 2019 at 08:24 AM

EB

“ My expression of sympathy and prayers to the family and friends of Mr. Dartez..



Ester Bazile - December 10, 2019 at 09:00 PM

BT

“ Elaine and the Dartez family. My heart was sadden to hear of Mr. Dartez's passing. I had the preasure to work with him, for most of my career, on the Municipal Civil Service Board, where he served as Chairman for many years. He served his community well. He will be greatly missed. My prayers are with you in your time of sorrow.



Barbara W Thomas - December 10, 2019 at 01:38 PM

CE

So sorry to learn of Coach D's passing. He was an amazing man. He was a true gentleman. May he Rest In Peace.

Connie Edwards - December 10, 2019 at 08:59 PM

WP

My thoughts are with the Dartez family in this time of loss and sorrow. From the words in the obituary, and the notes of sharing, I can see a legacy of love , sacrifice, and achievement which will, in time, bring closure. God Bless

Wayne Purdom

Wayne Purdom - December 11, 2019 at 07:54 PM

CH

“ *Mrs. Dartez and family, I want to express my most profound sympathy at your loss. The world has lost one of the most kind, gentle, good, wise, gentlemen God created. Mr. Dartez was the second principal I worked under as a beginning teacher in St. Landry Parish in the mid-1980s and he was the best principal I ever worked under in my 31 1/2 years as an educator. I admired and respected him. My heart breaks for all of you. You are in my prayers and thoughts.*

Celeste Brinkhaus Hebert

Celeste Hebert - December 10, 2019 at 12:29 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Andrew Harold Dartez.*



December 10, 2019 at 12:03 PM

AA

“ *Please accept our deepest condolences. We are praying for strength and comfort for you at this time. Alphonse and Esparanza Albert*


Alphonse Albert - December 10, 2019 at 12:00 PM

RM

“ *Rosalie Meullion lit a candle in memory of Mr. Andrew Harold Dartez*



Rosalie Meullion - December 10, 2019 at 11:00 AM

 Daisy Frilot

“ *It is with a heavy heart to have heard of the passing of Harold--he was such a gracious man to all he came in contact with---he will be truly missed. I send God's comfort and peace to the family during this difficult time!*

Daisy Frilot

Daisy Frilot - December 10, 2019 at 09:59 AM

FS

“ *Fred Singleton lit a candle in memory of Mr. Andrew Harold Dartez*



Fred Singleton - December 10, 2019 at 07:35 AM



*Dear Elaine and Family,
My prayers are with you and your family. I am sorry to hear of Harold's passing.
I am unable to be with you at this time. I am in Baton Rouge taking care of my 94 year old sister. I will keep you in my prayers.
God Blessed you and the family.
Sally Dauphin*

Sally Dauphin - December 14, 2019 at 06:37 PM

VG

“ Dave, my condolences to you in the passing of your Dad. May the moments you shared grant you comfort and peace. My thoughts and prayers are lifted up for you and the Dartez Family as you grieve. God Bless, Vince Giaccone



Vince Giaccone - December 10, 2019 at 07:07 AM

JL

“ My deepest condolences to the Dartez family...I will always remember Mr. Dartez as my Coach at Holy Ghost High....he will be deeply missed by all of us who played for him...

John Lewis - December 10, 2019 at 07:05 AM

SG

“ My condolences and prayers goes out to the family. Mr. Dartez was a legend, he was the principal at East Jr High when we were in school. He was a good person a strong leader and he made sure we as students walked a straight line under his leadership. He will truly be missed. RIP

Sheritta Mallet Glover - December 10, 2019 at 12:20 AM

BE

“ To the Dartez family.... the Guilbeaux/Edwards family would like to send our deepest condolences for the loss of your beloved dad. We admired and respected Mr. Dartez. We will keep you all in prayers as we know this is a difficult time for you. We've been there. 🙏

Beth Edwards - December 09, 2019 at 11:40 PM

BG

“ Awww My Deepest Prayers and Condolences to you Elaine , Dave,and the rest of the family. Mr. Dartez was always so nice and kind.. ,Good Coach.also.. RIP Mr. Dartez.



Brenda Green - December 09, 2019 at 10:58 PM


Andrew
Brown

“ My condolences to the Dartez Family. I met Coach at J S Clark in 1969, from then on he was my Coach, Mentor, and a Father to me. A very memorial time I had with coach was in the Spring of 1972. I was 17 and a Track Athlete and was selected to run in the Golden West Invitational Track in Sacramento California and he was the coach selected to escort me there. I will always remember that event and how nice a time we we had together.

Andrew Brown - December 09, 2019 at 10:20 PM

JM

“ Mrs. Elaine, we are so sorry to hear about your loss. We are keeping your family in our prayers.

John & Jeri Miller - December 09, 2019 at 10:01 PM

HS

“ When we know that our love one knew God as his personal savior, we can except death as a reward for a well spent life. Truly, Mr. D. will be missed by all who ever came in contact with him. Much love to David and family.

Harold W. Semien

Harold Semien - December 09, 2019 at 09:24 PM

JM

Mrs Elaine we are sorry for your loss. Our condolences to your family. Will Keep you and family n prayers. Joyce/Curley Milburn

Joyce Milburn - December 10, 2019 at 09:51 AM

LC

“ *Sending our deepest heartfelt condolences and prayers to the family. So sorry for your loss.*

Larry & Wanda Caillier

Larry & Wanda Caillier - December 09, 2019 at 09:14 PM

EW

“ *Emma West lit a candle in memory of Mr. Andrew Harold Dartez*



Emma West - December 09, 2019 at 09:05 PM

LL

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this moment of grieving.*

Philip and Eula Lastrapes & Family

Lori Lastrapes - December 09, 2019 at 08:35 PM

RJ

“ *No finer example of manhood and Christian stewardship in St Landry Parish.*

Roosevelt Joubert - December 09, 2019 at 08:28 PM

JS


“ *Condolences to family. As a player of coach Dartez I can never forget the kindness, lessons, and confidence coach showed me .he pulled me aside and told me to work on my dribble and defense because I was going to be his starting guard in 64-65 season. Thanks for confidence! Love you coach!*

Joe Simien - December 09, 2019 at 08:12 PM

AS

“ *He was always that positive light walking down the halls of East Jr. High. He never raised his voice. A great principal and educator will truly be missed.*

Alesha Stoute-Ina - December 09, 2019 at 07:55 PM

 Connie
Keys

“ *Connie Keys lit a candle in memory of Mr. Andrew Harold Dartez*



Connie Keys - December 09, 2019 at 07:21 PM

HC

*Safe In The Arms Of Jesus, Rest In Peace Mr. D.
Seattle Wa.*

Helen Carriere-Crawford - December 10, 2019 at 10:42 PM