



Mrs. Shirley Gertrude Donatto

January 10, 1935 - July 17, 2021

Funeral services will be held at 10:00 AM Thursday, July 22, 2021 at St. Landry Catholic Church in Opelousas, LA, for Mrs. Shirley Gertrude Donatto, 86, who entered eternal rest, Saturday, July 17, 2021 at her residence in Opelousas, LA.

Interment will be in St. Landry Cemetery in Opelousas, LA. Father Neil Pettit, Pastor of St. Landry Catholic Church will officiate the Mass of Christian Burial. Mrs. Donatto is survived by three sons, Gary Donatto (Kathy) of Opelousas, LA, Brian Donatto of Port Allen, LA, and Barry Donatto (Cindy) of Simmesport, LA; three daughters, Claudette Duckless (Frank), Youlonda Donatto, and Renita Donatto all of Opelousas, LA; one brother, Lawrence Motte (Joyce) of Houston, TX; two sisters, Catherine Gauthier of Lebeau, LA and Betty Davis of Pineville, LA; twelve grandchildren, thirteen great grandchildren, and a host of other relatives and friends.

Mrs. Donatto was preceded in death by her husband, Waldon Donatto; a son, Audwin Donatto; her parents, John Luke Motte and Mary Avia Labrie; two brothers, John Motte and Joseph Motte; six sisters, Perine Ellis, Veronica Auzenne, Augusta Donatto, Helen Sam, Annette Ellis, and Rita Alpough; and a daughter-in-law, Sherry Donatto.

Visiting hours will be observed from 8:00-9:45 AM at Williams Funeral Home of Opelousas, 817 East South Street. A rosary will be prayed at 9:00 AM.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to St. Joseph's

Hospice.

Share words of comfort with the family of Shirley Gertrude Donatto on her Permanent Life Tribute Page at www.williamsfuneralhomes.net. Be the first to post your most treasured memory of Shirley. Show your support by sharing a personal message or story, meaningful photo or video, or record a video message using your webcam. On behalf of the family, we encourage you share your personal experiences and preserve the memory of Shirley Donatto for future generations to come.

Final arrangements entrusted to Williams Funeral Home of Opelousas, 817 E. South Street, 337-942-2037.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 22. 8:00 AM - 9:45 AM (CT)

Williams Funeral Home - Opelousas
817 East South St.
Opelousas, LA 70571
(337) 942-2037
williamsfuneralhomes.1932@gmail.com
<https://www.williamsfuneralhomes.net/>

Rosary

JUL 22. 9:00 AM - 9:15 AM (CT)

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Mass of Christian Burial

JUL 22. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Landry Catholic Church
1020 N. Main Street
Opelousas, LA 70570
(337) 942-6552

Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Shirley Gertrude Donatto*

January 28, 2023 at 08:52 AM



“ *Heartfelt Condolences And Prayers To The Donatto Family During Your Time Of Bereavement! May She RIHP 🙏🙏🙏🙏*



Kathy T. Meullione - August 11, 2021 at 06:45 PM



“ *Dearest Claudette, I was so sorry to hear of your Mother's passing. May God hold all of you in his everlasting love during your time of grief. May you know the comfort of his Love.*

*Our Love and prayers are with you,
Shirley Barnaba, Kent Landry and Ethan*

Shirley Barnaba - July 23, 2021 at 08:20 PM



“ *My prayers are with you and the family cuz 🌹*

Lotis DuVernay - July 22, 2021 at 09:23 PM

RL

“ My deepest sympathy to Gary and Brian and the entire Mrs. Shirley Gertrude Donatto Family. May the peace and love of God help you through this time. Rest assured, Ms. Shirley is still here in spirit and watching over you.

Ronald & Iris Leary

Ronald Leary - July 22, 2021 at 09:14 PM

SG

“ May peace and comfort be with you and your family at this difficult time.

Sheriff Bobby J. Guidroz - July 22, 2021 at 09:57 AM

SE

“ Aunt Shirley you will be missed! I remember as a young girl I always wanted my hair to be thick and black like Aunt Shirley's, with that salt and pepper mix, she rocked that color so well. I remember going to my uncle and aunt's house playing in the backyard with all my cousins in the summer. When it was time to eat it was like a holiday feast. I will always cherish those memories. To my cousins may the love of God be with you all. Love Aunt Beth's daughter Stephanie.

Stephanie Davis Eastland - July 21, 2021 at 10:23 PM

AM

“ To Gary and the entire Donatto family, our deepest sympathy. Mr & Mrs. Aaron Morris c-1-18 FA

Aaron morris - July 21, 2021 at 09:08 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Shirley Gertrude Donatto.*



July 21, 2021 at 02:59 PM



“ *Andrea Brisco lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Shirley Gertrude Donatto*



Andrea Brisco - July 21, 2021 at 12:10 PM



“ *Ms. Youlanda, I am so sorry to learn of your mom's passing. You and your family are in my prayers.*

*Dr. Claudia Provost Charles**

Dr. Claudia Provost Charles - July 21, 2021 at 11:38 AM

RJ

“ Condolences to Brian Donatto and Mrs Shirley Donatto Family. The world is a better kinder and gentler place because of your mother and the children she reared. May you find peace in knowing that she loved God and was also loved by him. May she rest eternally in the kingdom with our lord and Savior Jesus Christ. May all the Host of Heaven rejoice in her arrival. May God Bless and keep watch over all of her love ones who loved her dearly is my Prayer

*Russell Jackson
Plaquemine, La*

Russell Jackson - July 21, 2021 at 11:24 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mrs. Shirley Gertrude Donatto.



July 21, 2021 at 04:55 AM

BG

“ My Deepest Prayers and Condolences to the Donatto/ Motte Family May Almighty God Bless you with Comforting and Strengthening Grace to help you through a time such as this. RIP Mrs Donatto, ❤️❤️❤️🙏



Brenda Green - July 20, 2021 at 05:21 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Shirley Gertrude Donatto.*



July 20, 2021 at 12:54 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Shirley Gertrude Donatto.*



July 20, 2021 at 12:10 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Shirley Gertrude Donatto.*



July 20, 2021 at 10:47 AM



“ *My condolences to the family. Audience was my classmate. I will truly miss your Mom. She was always so kind and sweet. Stay encouraged, and know you are loved. I am the daughter of Nathan T-Bud Frank & Irma Mae Comeaux Frank, Goretti Fannell Frank Fontenot. RIP Mrs. Shirley Donatto.*

Jacinta Frank - July 19, 2021 at 07:45 PM

AM

Gary, our condolences to you and your family. From Aaron Morris C-1-18.FA

Aaron morris - July 21, 2021 at 08:58 PM

MM

“ *Monica and Joycie Donatto and Brenda Medley purchased the Rose Remembrance for the family of Mrs. Shirley Gertrude Donatto.*



Monica and Joycie Donatto and Brenda Medley - July 19, 2021 at 05:01 PM