



Dorothy Tomlin Barnes

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Dorothy Tomlin Barnes passed away on Wednesday, April 27, 2016 at her home in Madisonville, LA. A resident of Gretna for most of her life, she was born on Tuesday, December 31, 1929 in Manchester, England to Gertrude Levine and William Tomlin and moved to New Orleans at the age of 18.

The beloved wife of the late Ralph E. Barnes, Sr., she is survived by her daughter - Gayle Barnes Somers (Gary M.); one son - Ralph E. Barnes, Jr.; one to whom she was like a mother - Barbara Treuil (George); five grandchildren - Geneva Matthews (Eric), Leah Stephens (Tyler), Gary A. Somers, Tiffany Ruiz (Alex) and Ralph E. Barnes III. She is also survived by five great grandchildren - Seraphina, Beatrix, Alex IV, Braelyn and Lennon. Her parents preceded her in death.

Dorothy spent her life loving and caring for her family. No one who met her ever forgot her. Known as "Granny" to everyone, she was, over the course of her life, a great cook, a green-thumbed gardener, a lively line-dancer, and a voracious reader. Above all she will be remembered as a faithful, loving disciple of Jesus. She was a constant example of one who lived by His commandment of love. The great joy of her later years was to be received as a convert into the Catholic Church, and she died as a grateful daughter of that Church.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend a memorial mass at 1:00 PM on Saturday, May 7, 2016 at St. Anselm Catholic Church, 306 St. Mary St. Madisonville, LA 70447.

Friends are welcome to join the family for food and fellowship immediately following committal services and interment at Pinecrest Memorial Gardens in Covington, LA.

In lieu of flowers, donation may be made to St. Anselm Catholic Church.

Please visit www.ejfieldingfh.com to offer condolences or share a memory on the tribute wall.



Events

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Memorial Mass


 **Saturday**, May 7, 2016


 1:00 PM CT

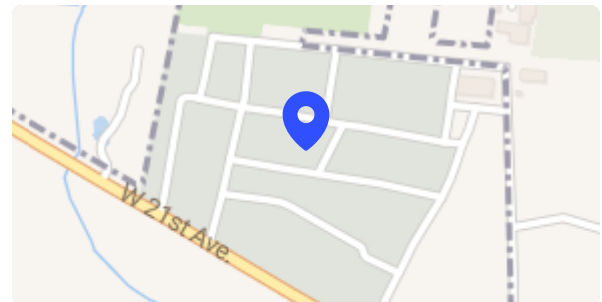
 **St. Anselm Catholic Church**
306 St. Mary Street, Madisonville LA 70447



Cemetery Details

 **Pinecrest Memorial Gardens & Crematory**
2280 W 21st Ave, Covington LA 70433

 **(985) 892-5007**





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CR

Camille Raulston posted:

Gayle , My thoughts are with you and your family . I am sorry I didn't get a chance to meet your mom. Sounds like she was an amazing lady , wonderful mother , wife and friend . All of you were blessed . Take care . Camille Raulston

May 11 at 2:27 AM

AW

Anne Woodward sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Barnes family.



May 2 at 10:28 AM

SA

S. Adams posted:

Life is a wonderful gift so when someone we love and care about dies it is a blow to us all, therefore we give thanks to God for all is comfort in these difficult times. Rev. 21:3-5

May 2 at 7:19 AM

LM

Louise Midwood posted:

She always brought such vivid light into any room. Her joy was palpable. I always felt welcomed whenever I saw her. I thank God for her life. With all my love.

April 30 at 7:35 AM



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LW

Lee Woodward posted:

Auntie Dorothy ('Dolly') will always be a hugely important influence on my life. I have been lucky enough to spend precious time with her both in the UK when she visited us, and in the US when I've flown out, on vacation. My fondest US memories include whiling away hours chatting on a lazy sunny summer afternoon in the conservatory at Julietta House in Gloucester MA., and relaxing with her and all our US family at Gayle & Gary's house in Phoenix. My fondest UK memories range from sitting with her as a young child at Grandma's house back in the 70s, listening attentively to her stories, to the beautiful summer day when Anne & I showed her around Chatsworth House in the Peak District. We will celebrate Auntie Dolly's life and everything that she gave to all who knew and loved her. What a remarkable thing to be so loved by so many on both sides of the Atlantic and far beyond. What a remarkable lady from Manchester.

April 29 at 7:23 AM

GS

Gayle Somers April 29 at 11:13 AM

Thank you, Lee, for filling in some of the transatlantic details of my mother's life. At heart, we know she was always a lassie from Lancashire.

AM

Anita Hatch-Miller posted:

Laughing and singing, especially Broadway tunes, with 'Mamacita', and sharing our Amaryllis bulbs so she could plant them in Gayle's yard. Hearing her talk about Jesus! We will miss her! Anita H-M

April 28 at 2:23 PM

GS

Gayle Somers April 29 at 4:25 AM

Yes, Anita, I remember the singing and the flowers. She loved you and Jeff and never failed to ask about you whenever we talked.



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Dorothy by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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