



# **Evelyn Catherine Meyers Kingston**

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**E**velyn Catherine Meyers Kingston passed away on Thursday, October 24, 2019 at the age of 87. Adored wife of over 68 years to Charles Edward Kingston, Jr. Loving mother of Gregory Paul Kingston (Heidi), Karen Ann Kingston Usner (Larry), Michael Edward Kingston, Patricia Jean Kingston Paz, Randy Joseph Kingston, Kenneth Gerard Kingston, Sr. (Laura) and Jennifer Elizabeth Kingston Frambes (Ray). Daughter of the late Pearl Oubre Meyers and Ernest Henry Meyers, Sr. Sister of late Ernest H. Meyers, Jr. and late Richard Meyers. Grandmother of Melissa Usner Jones, Rebecca Usner McKee (Peter), Jessica Paz Jones (Siôn), Natalie Kingston Richard (Brian), Derek Usner, Emily Kingston, Megan Burke Jenkins (Bryan), Kenny G. Kingston, Jr. (Ellen), Camille Kingston, Chloe Kingston, Emily Fontenot, Zachary Kingston, Zoe Kingston and the late Nicholas Kingston . Great-grandmother of Charles E. Jones, Jessie L. Jones, Mark A. Jones, Noah McKee, Rhys F. S. Jones and Alec Wynn D. Jones. Great-great-grandmother of Nathan J. Jones, Samuel E. Jones, Ella I. Hollier, Riley Jones, Andre Chiasson. She is also survived by cousins, nieces and nephews.

Evelyn was born in New Orleans and grew up in the 9th Ward of the city. From a young age, she showed a natural grace and talent in dancing and after graduating valedictorian from Francis T. Nicholls High School 2 years early, she became a dance instructor at Rosa Spilka Dance Studio. Evelyn met Charles Kingston, a valiant and entertaining PFC of the US Marine Corps, and following a courtship sustained through Charles' service in the Korean War, they married on his safe return of January 1951. Evelyn and Charles moved to Chalmette, LA to set up home and raise their 7 children, where the whole family was involved in their parish church and school.

A lifelong passion for learning and love of children compelled her to become a teacher at Our Lady of Prompt Succor School in Chalmette in 1967. She dedicated



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herself for 39 years to her students, school community and church parish. While working full-time, she furthered her education by earning a Bachelors of Arts degree over 13 years of study, and subsequently a Masters of Education from the University of New Orleans and a postgraduate degree in Educational Leadership and Administration. Her tireless work and commitment led her to take up the role of Principal where she served for over 15 years, gaining OLPS recognition as a National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence during her tenure.

After Hurricane Katrina and assisting the restoration of the school, she retired to Abita Springs, LA in 2005 and became an active parishioner and Catholic Education volunteer at St. Jane de Chantal Church. Evelyn was a devout Catholic and her unwavering faith moved her to serve in various lay ministries throughout her life. Her family grew to be blessed with 14 grandchildren, 6 great-grandchildren, and 5 great-great-grandchildren. She was a kind, loving, clever and devoted woman who touched and inspired the lives of everyone she met. As St. Benedict said of his sister St. Scholastica, "She could do more because she loved more", Evelyn's life will be marked equally by her huge capacity to love and her remarkable accomplishments. She will be missed greatly and her legacy will live on through the generations of her family, friends, colleagues and former students.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend the Funeral Mass on Tuesday, October 29 beginning at 2pm in St. Joseph Abbey, 75376 River Rd, St. Benedict, LA 70457.

Visitation will be held from 12:00pm - 1:30 pm at E.J. Fielding Funeral Home, 2260 W. 21st Avenue, Covington, LA 70433. Interment will follow the Funeral Mass at St. Joseph Abbey Cemetery. All will be welcomed to attend a memorial mass and celebration of life to be held at a later date in November. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in memory of Mrs. Kingston to Our Lady of Prompt Succor School, Chalmette or St Jane de Chantal Church, Abita Springs. E.J. Fielding Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Please sign the E.J. Fielding Funeral Home online Guest Book at [www.ejfieldingfh.com](http://www.ejfieldingfh.com).





## Events

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### Visitation


 **Tuesday**, October 29, 2019

 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM CT


 **E.J. Fielding Funeral Home & Cremation Services**  
2260 W 21st Ave, Covington LA 70433

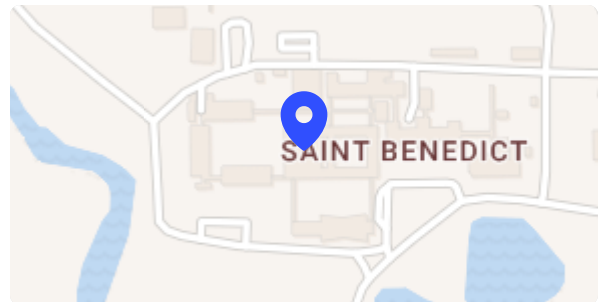


### Funeral Mass


 **Tuesday**, October 29, 2019

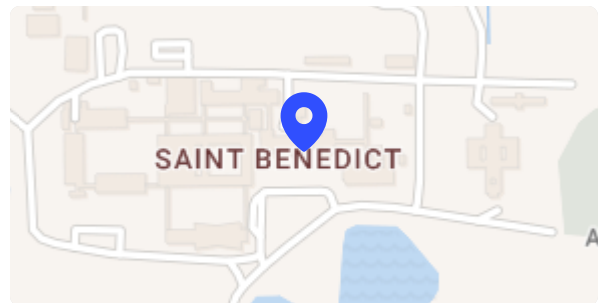
 2:00 PM CT

 **St. Joseph Abbey**  
75376 River Rd., St Benedict LA 70457



### Cemetery Details

 **St. Joseph Abbey Cemetery**  
75376 River Rd., Saint Benedict LA





# Tribute Wall

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**Colleen Gamer** lit a candle in honor of Evelyn Catherine.

A great role model and loved by all. May her light shine forever in our lives. Colleen GamerFort Walton Beach, FL

November 18 at 1:23 PM



**Lucille Risey** posted:

Sending Condolences from the Risey and Retif Family, may you Rest In Peace. 🙏

November 1 at 11:57 AM



**Joanne Breault** posted:

Dear Patty - I am so sorry to hear about the passing of your mom. We missed you at the conference and learned why you weren't with us. I hope her passing was peaceful and that you could be with her. I will keep you in my prayers.Warm regards,Joanne Breault

October 31 at 3:28 PM



**Kevin Wagner** posted:

Truly sorry to hear of Mrs. Evelyn's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Kingston family. Mrs. Evelyn was a special lady. She was always so nice, and there to listen and offer advice when we were growing up while working at Buccaneer Villa Swim & Tennis Club. She will be missed, but never forgotten.

October 29 at 9:46 AM



**Father Bob Massett** posted:

Dear Kingstons and Meyers: My parents were friends with Big Ernie and Miss Pearl from the old neighborhood. Evie was truly the Miss America of Desire St..in the greatest ward of the city. Lil' Ernie was my age and Richie was my brother's age. We all looked up to Evie for all her virtues and example. I also saw a little of her and some of you when I was pastor of St. Mark Church in Chalmette from 1975-1988.. She is now Miss everything in God's House. I remembered her at several Masses and I wish I could be with you at the funeral. Be like her and you can't go wrong. Sincerely, Father Bob Massett

October 29 at 7:43 AM



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SC

**Sydney R Crawford** sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Kingston family.



October 29 at 4:50 AM

MW

**Melissa Wagner** posted:

Mrs Evelyn was like another mother to me as I was growing up. She was always there to help and listen. One of the most kindest and humble person I have ever known. She truly served Christ in everything she did. I am truly blessed for having her in my life ...growing up and onwards. Thank you Kingston family for sharing your mom with us 😊 I know when Jesus met her he said "Well done my good and faithful servant" I pray peace and comfort over each one of you. God bless 🙏

October 28 at 9:44 AM

SV

**Susan Vinet** posted:

My deepest sympathy for the family. Mrs Evelyn was a wonderful lady. Such a sweet and loving person to whom ever she met. My daughter Shannon Hedrick was a student at OLPS when she was the principle there. I am blessed to have known her and her family also through my marriage to a family friend , Johnny Hedrick. She will be greatly missed. Prayers for the family during this time of grief. But I know she is watching over all her children , grandchildren and great grandchildren and all her many students she taught throughout her long career. She is now our guardian Angel forever in our hearts. / . Susan Colletti Vinet

October 28 at 5:45 AM

JP

**Janet Perez** posted:

Your family is in our prayers. Although my daughter attended OLPS for one only year, Mrs. Kingston made us feel like we had always been part of the school's family. Her spirit was embodied in the students, staff, and parents. Mrs. Kingston remembered my daughter long after we had left OLPS and we will always remember her. May the Lord's peace be a comfort to you as you grieve.

October 28 at 5:05 AM



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**Dianne Labourdette** posted:

Extending our heartfelt condolences to the family. Evelyn was a wonderful and lovely lady. All three of my daughters attended Our Lady of Prompt Succor School and were privileged to have her as a teacher and principal. Dianne and Richard Labourdette

October 28 at 4:54 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Kingston family.



October 27 at 6:18 PM



**Gary Ault** posted:

Prayers, blessings, and oh so many fond OLPS memories.

October 27 at 7:41 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Kingston family.



October 27 at 7:27 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Sentiments of Serenity Spray to the Kingston family.



October 27 at 7:19 AM



**William & Nancy Watts** posted:

To Michael Kingston we are sorry to hear about your Mother pass She was a very loving and caring person she will be missed by many Mike we are so sorry for your loss. William & Nancy Watts (Peanut).

October 26 at 2:30 PM



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MM

**Melissa Castillon Morales** shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

I was at OLPS from 1983 to 1992 and Mrs. Kingston was a wonderful principal. this is the only picture i have of her. I am so sorry to hear of her loss.Melissa Castillon Morales



October 26 at 12:55 PM

JM

**Joany Maggiore** posted:

I knew Mrs. Kingston from my days as a student from OLPS. I had her as a teacher and a principal. She was a sweet, fair lady. Rest in Peace.Joan Maggiore

October 26 at 10:16 AM

CL

**Carol Lowery** lit a candle in honor of Evelyn Catherine.

Kingston Family I am so sorry for the loss of your amazing mother. I worked with Mrs. Kingston at OLPS for many years, she was a great teacher and Principal. Keeping the Kingston Family in my prayers.Carol Lowery.Chalmette,La.Hammond, La.



October 26 at 8:15 AM

FB

**Fr.Douglas Brougher** posted:

I remember her from my days in the parish many years ago with Father Tommy and Father Richard. She was a wonderful woman of faith and great educator and leader, who inspired me and so many others all through the years. Although we only kept in touch at a distance, I always treasured her as a friend. May she rest in the Peace of Our Risen Lord.

October 26 at 6:49 AM

DM

**Donna Pitre Melancon** posted:

To her family, I am so very sorry for your loss. Mrs Evelyn was always such a sweet lady. I know she will be missed. My prayers are with you 🙏 all

October 25 at 9:51 PM



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**Greg Martinez And The Delta Kings** sent a Strength & Solace Spray to the Kingston family.

October 25 at 12:52 PM





## Media

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October 26 at 12:55 PM





## **Memories only last if you share them**

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



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