



## Matilda C. Sears

August 8, 2022

Matilda Caddie Sears, affectionately known as “Josie” to her family and close friends, entered eternal rest peacefully on August 8, 2022, at the age of 92. Matilda was born June 9, 1930, in the city of New Orleans, Louisiana, to the late Joseph and Matilda Caddie. Preceding her in death were her parents Joseph & Matilda Caddie, her siblings Louis Coffee, Martin Coffee, Ann Acadilado, her inseparable youngest sister, Celina (Caddie) Gray.

Matilda received her formal education in The New Orleans Public School System where she was a proud graduate of the class of 1945 at Mc Donogh #35 Senior High School. Matilda worked with preschool children at a variety of elementary schools across the district and retired from her service to early childhood learners as a paraprofessional at Martin Luther King Jr. Elementary School.

Matilda leaves to cherish her memory, her four beloved children: Kim B. Hypolite (Wade) of New Orleans, Louisiana, Kevin Brown (Glenda) of Spring, Texas, Lisa Gray (Raymond) of Tallahassee, Florida, and Andrea S. Ogle (Jude) of Missouri City, Texas; Her six beloved granddaughters, Dr. Danalyn Hypolite, Melanie Brown, Chante’ Hypolite, India Gray, Lauren Ogle and Lindsey Ogle; Her adoring niece, Michelle G. LeVasseur (Michael), and nephew, Derek Gray (Yvette); Her loving great nieces Celina LeVasseur and Brittany Gray and great nephews Nicholas and Justin Gray.

Relatives, friends of the family, priest, and parishioners of St. Raymond & St. Leo the Great are invited to attend a Funeral Service of Christian Burial at 2916 Paris Ave. New Orleans LA 70119 on Saturday August 27, 2022. Visitation will begin at 9:30am followed by a service s at 11:00am. The family asks in lieu of flowers, to please donate to St. John The Benchman's Early Childhood Development Center at 2710 Gentilly Blvd New Orleans, LA 70122 Phone: (504) 309-8125. Website: [www.stjohnberchmansecdc.weebly.com](http://www.stjohnberchmansecdc.weebly.com) & Email: [stjohnberchmans1@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnberchmans1@gmail.com). Arrangements made by D.W. Rhodes Funeral Home, 3933 Washington Ave. Please visit [www.rhodesfuneral.com](http://www.rhodesfuneral.com) to sign the online guestbook.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Louis #3 Cemetery

3421 Esplanade Ave  
New Orleans, LA 70119

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 27. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Leo/St Raymond Catholic Church  
2916 Paris Ave  
New Orleans, LA 70119  
(504) 945-8750

## Mass of Christian Burial

AUG 27. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ To the family of Matilda C Sears. My sincere condolences on the passing of your mother. 🙏 Praying for the family during this time. My mother Dorothy "Dottie" Marshall Gillespie was a very close friend of your mother. I remember when my brother and I would visit your home on Galvier Street in New Orleans with my mother. She passed 2 years ago at age 91. I remember all of you Kim, Kevin, Lisa and your cousins Michelle and Derek. I don't live in New Orleans any more but keeping the family in prayer.

*Ingride Stewart  
Chicago, Illinois*

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