



Katherine "Jane" Rhodes

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Katherine "Jane" Rhodes, 78, of Fort Myers, Florida, went to be with the Lord on October 20, 2013. She was born January 2, 1935 in Oneco, Florida to the late Earl and Dorothy Bartlow. In addition to her parents, she is preceded in death by her husband of 46 years, Charles M. Rhodes. She retired from J. Colin English Elementary School after 21 years and was a member of Broadway Community Church. Jane loved to bowl, dance, play cards, work puzzles and spend time with her family. Left to cherish her memory are her children, Carrie Smith and her companion Jeff McConnell; Chuck Rhodes and his wife Kim; Wayne Rhodes and his wife Michelle; and Lee Rhodes and his wife Cindy; 7 grandchildren, Crystal and her husband Mike; Dan and his wife Tara; Ashley and her husband Jose; Kelli and her fiancé Larry; Curtis; Jessica and her husband James; and Randy; great-grandchildren, Mackenzie, Kaylie, Ireland, Logan, Braden, Miranda and Carter; sister, Betty Rhodes and close cousin, Goldie Nave and many family and friends. There will be a visitation on Thursday, October 24, 2013 from 10:00 to 11:00 AM at Fort Myers Memorial Gardens Funeral Home, 1589 Colonial Blvd., Fort Myers, Florida 33907. Funeral service will begin at 11:00 AM followed by entombment in Fort Myers Memorial Gardens Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made in her honor to the Broadway Community Church, 3309 Broadway, Fort Myers, FL 33901. Memories and condolences may be left online at www.fortmyersmemorial.com.



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AG

Ashley Gonzalez posted:

Hi Grandma! It is hard to believe in 5 short days, it will be 1 month... Time has flown by but I still think you daily. I really miss our talks! Missing you and love you like crazy!!

November 15 at 4:45 PM

AG

Ashley Gonzalez posted:

Hi Grandma, Miranda is still wanting to go see her Nana. What I miss most is getting your advice and just talking to you. Love you and miss you terribly!

November 1 at 6:30 PM

AG

Ashley Gonzalez posted:

It has been a week, and lets just say that it hasn't gotten any easier. Miranda keeps asking to go see you. Yesterday we went and had a picnic in your honor and threw flowers out from the causeway. Love you!

October 27 at 2:57 PM

CM

Charles & Barbie Montemurro posted:

Lit a candle in memory of Katherine "Jane" Rhodes

October 24 at 11:13 AM

AG

Ashley Gonzalez posted:

Grandma it is hard to say good-bye so I will say until we meet again. Thank you for teaching us that Family is everything and just because they aren't blood doesn't mean that they can become family. Even in Hope Hospice you adopted a daughter, Irene. You have taught me a lot about life especially in the last 8 months. You said you were a baby when it came to pain, but you were wrong you fought so hard to stay alive so you can continue to see your family grow. You were strong you pushed through and fought until the end. I remember being stubborn as a kid and Pa and you both said I wonder where I got that from because it wasn't from you. Well you both were strong headed and determined and I am proud to say that I am like you and Pa. You are going to be greatly missed. Miranda keeps asking to go see you, like I knew she would. Remember to listen and to peek in from time to time. I am going to miss our phone calls and our Mondays together. I love and miss you Grandma, Love Ashley

October 23 at 4:24 PM



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CS

Carrie Smith posted:

I love you Mom and I miss you already, I know you are in a much better place, I keep thinking that I am the oldest one now and I have to hold us together that is a big job and I just pray that I can do it half as good as you did. Remember what I said I will be talking to you a lot so you better be paying attention. well I have to go for now just one more question did you find a spot for your Christmas tree. I love you. Carrie

October 23 at 2:21 PM

CM

Crystal Minnick posted:

One day as I was heading home from visiting you i was listening to the radio and the lyrics just spoke to me: "Don't it always seem to go that you don't know what you got till it's gone." I think we are all pretty lucky that we know what we had with you before you left this world. I remember the love I saw in your eyes when talking with Mackenzie, Ireland and Logan one of the last times you saw them. You were cherishing little moments and we will always cherish you. Like Uncle Chuck said, I'm happy that you are with Pa and you both are watching all of us. We love Grandma (Nana)!Crystal, Mike, Mackenzie, Ireland and Logan

October 23 at 7:21 AM

KR

Kelli Rhodes posted:

Grandma,I really don't even feel like you are gone, but I know that when I go to Florida the next time, it will feel as if there is a big hole in my heart. Most of my memories are in the letter I wrote to you a couple of weeks ago, so this will be short. I think that all of us grandchildren will remember your wise words of: "Shut the door, the air's on!" ?? Tell Grandpa Rhodes that I love him and miss him and that "it's all his fault." ?? Also, I know that he knows it, but tell Grandpa LeBrun that I miss and love him as well! And tell Uncle Allen that we all say "Hi!" You will be greatly missed!Love always,Your Middle Grandchild,Kelli.

October 23 at 6:47 AM

CG

Carl And Gail Giles posted:

Sending deep sympathy to Lee , Cindy and the entire Rhodes family.

October 22 at 2:11 PM



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CR

Chuck Rhodes posted:

I love you mom. You were such a great mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. You were the cornerstone that held our family together with your love. Everyone you met could quickly feel your loving heart and you touched so many lives in a special way. I cannot count how many times people have told me what a sweet loving mom I had after meeting you. We will certainly miss you here, but are excited that you are reunited with Dad. We are so thankful for all of the great memories that we have, and they will surely help in this time of mourning. We will never forget you. I am so blessed to have had you and Dad as my parents. I love you... Chuck Rhodes

October 21 at 3:44 PM

GB

Gloria Bernauer posted:

My deepest sympathy goes out to Wayne and Michelle Rhodes you guys are like family to me and mean the world to me and my family you guys have been awesome to my daughter Leanna who is your god daughter we love you and your mom is an angel looking over us now

October 21 at 3:15 PM

KR

Kim Rhodes posted:

Jane, you are a special person who will be observing us from above, and know that you were loved and adored by many here on earth, as we celebrate your life. You were the the glue that kept our family together. You loved to do Jigsaw puzzles, and I look at your life as one big beautiful puzzle that has been completed with the final piece in place. Please give Charles a kiss for me and give my Dad a big hug, and let him know I am always thinking of him. I am honored to have you in my life as my Mother-in-law. You will be missed but the memories will live on. Hugs and kisses, Kim

October 21 at 3:07 PM

CR

Chuck Rhodes posted:

We love you mom. Thanks for being such a great mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother to our family. You were the cornerstone that held our family together with your love. We will surely miss you, but are happy that you are reunited with dad. We have so many great memories to help relieve our pain of our great loss. I am so lucky and proud to have you and dad as my parents. We have truly been blessed... Love, Chuck

October 21 at 3:02 PM



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Wayne Rhodes posted:

Mom Rhodes , You were an inspiration to us all. I couldn't ask for a better mother -in-law. Thank you for all the wonderful memories . The love I hold for you will live in my heart for ever. I love you, Love, Michelle

October 21 at 11:45 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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