



Joan Frances Collins

April 10, 1929 - December 30, 2014

Joan Frances Collins passed away peacefully on December 30, 2014 in Fremont California. She was born on April 10, 1929 in Indianapolis, to Adeline and Alonzo Morgan. Joan was one of 11 siblings. She graduated from George Washington High School in 1947.

Mrs. Collins was a loving, dedicated mother, adored by her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. Joan and her husband operated several restaurants in the Indianapolis area over many years. She retired from the Country Club of Indianapolis and soon after moved to be near her children and grandchildren in California. She will be deeply missed by her family and friends.

Joan is survived by her children Mary Harmston of Salinas, CA, Diane Wennberg of Merced, CA, Teresa Parmenter of Honolulu, HI, Timothy Collins of Conyers GA and David Collins of Fremont, CA. She treasured time spent with her 5 grandchildren, and 3 great-grandchildren. She is survived by two of her siblings, brother Paul Morgan of Speedway, Indiana and sister Lois Zwhalen of Tulsa, Oklahoma. She was preceded in death by her husband John M. Collins and son, John Michael Collins.

A Catholic mass and memorial service will be held in Indianapolis in the spring of 2015. Donations may be made in her memory to Our Lady of Mercy School,

1400 E. 27th Street, Merced, CA 95340, (209) 722-7496, www.olmlancers.com

Please visit her online guestbook at www.fremontchapeloftheroses.com

Tribute Wall

MC

“ *I miss your sweet voice, your beautiful smile and the love you had for all of your children. You will be forever in my prayers and in my heart until I see you again in your heavenly home. I love you my sweet and wonderful momma.*

Mary

Mary Collins-harmston - February 04, 2015 at 04:03 PM

TC

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Tim Collins - January 26, 2015 at 05:57 PM

TC

“ *Tim Collins lit a candle in memory of Joan Frances Collins*



Tim Collins - January 26, 2015 at 05:09 PM

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Tim Collins - January 26, 2015 at 05:04 PM

DA

“ I love you mom



David - January 24, 2015 at 10:46 AM

SY

“ Sue Young lit a candle in memory of Joan Frances Collins



Sue Young - January 13, 2015 at 07:33 AM

SY

my best friend ever we had such wonderful times loved her so much

Sue Young - January 13, 2015 at 07:36 AM

MH

She loved you too Sue and always shared good memories about the times you two had together.

Mary Harmston - January 26, 2015 at 05:13 PM

SE

“ Mom, glad I was able to talk to you a week before your passing. You sounded good, as always, and I was praying for your recovery. But now we know that God had other plans for you. I'm fortunate to have you as my mom. I enjoyed our talks and you always ended our conversation with "thanks for taking care of my daughter". When I take my last breath I pray I will see and talk with you again. All my love, Rich.

serenity122004 - January 12, 2015 at 09:56 PM

SE

“ Those pictures you added Mary are fabulous. I don't believe I have ever seen them. Everyone is so beautiful. Especially our wonderful Mother. You and Mikey are just beautiful - both of you such blessings!

Diane many thanks for having mass said at your church and school. This is a wonderful tribute and blessing.

I love you all very much and am grateful to have you as my family.

Teresa

serenity122004 - January 12, 2015 at 03:32 PM

MH

You are very special Teresa. Love and miss you much!

Mary Harmston - January 12, 2015 at 07:50 PM

MA

“Joan, I am lucky to have spent some wonderful times with you. You shared quite a few recipes with me, cream of corn, meatballs, yummy meatloaf that I have kept making through the years. I also remember your beautiful loving smile and the loving words about how Davey grew up so grounded smart and loving. Those words were so important for me to hear. I loved it when you visited us and spend a couple days, you would put your makeup on in the morning with your little mirror. I still can picture doing it. I love you Joan and will miss you. -❤️M

Maria - January 11, 2015 at 10:00 PM

SE

Hi Maria - in fact I just made her wonderful meatloaf yesterday and am enjoying it again today for lunch. Thank you Maria. God Bless You!
Teresa

serenity122004 - January 12, 2015 at 03:34 PM

IV

“So sorry to read that Joan has passed. Shall she rest in peace. Having to meet her approximately 40 years ago. What a fantastic lady and mother. Also a super duper cook!
Ingar and Lisa Vanags Back home again in Carmel, Indiana

ingar vanags - January 11, 2015 at 11:46 AM

SE

Thank you Ingy! Maybe we will see you in the Spring. Take care and God Bless. Teresa

serenity122004 - January 12, 2015 at 03:35 PM

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Mary Harmston - January 10, 2015 at 02:41 PM

LZ

Mary this picture reminds m when I stayed wit you and Mike almost every weekend. Sorry i missed your call this week. We will all miss her. Love to all. Lois

Lois Zwahlen - January 11, 2015 at 12:02 PM

MH

“ Mary Harmston lit a candle in memory of Joan Frances Collins



Mary Harmston - January 10, 2015 at 11:00 AM

DW

“ Today we had a beautiful Mass for Joan at Our Lady of Mercy School. I know that she was pleased to se the children praying for her and her family.

Diane Wennberg - January 09, 2015 at 09:11 PM

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Diane Wennberg - January 09, 2015 at 09:09 PM

SE

“ *We miss you dearest Mom. You always took such very good care of all us. As a small child you stayed up with me many of long nights, rubbing my chest and back every time I had asthma attacks. We have countless beautiful memories of you. You are selfless and have always been here for each and every one of us. We could not have a better friend and mother. As a tribute to you and your spirit, we crafted a wreath and set it adrift in the Pacific Ocean (see attached pics). We love you very much. Go with God and go in Peace. Aloha Makuakine -- A Hui Hou (With All our love Mother -- until we meet again). Teresa, Rich and Chloe*

serenity122004 - January 07, 2015 at 10:55 PM

MH

Beautiful Teresa!

Mary Harmston - January 08, 2015 at 01:12 PM

SE

I LOVE YOU MARY

serenity122004 - January 08, 2015 at 05:16 PM

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The Parmenters - January 07, 2015 at 10:35 PM

MH

“ *Mary Harmston lit a candle in memory of Joan Frances Collins*



Mary Harmston - January 07, 2015 at 07:04 PM

SP

“ *I was sadden today to hear the news of Joans passing. She was a great lady and a dear friend. I met her about 5 years ago and we had some great times together. She is going to be missed by many and I know she has a great family and lots of memories of the times we shared. I love you Joan*

Love Sandy Page

Sandy Page - January 07, 2015 at 06:05 PM

DO

“ *Aunt Joan will certainly be missed by the Opel kids in Indy! For years, her proximity to us and Grandma allowed us to see her more so than most of the other Morgan's! I know I have many personal memories of time spent with the Collin's family....what fun! Our mom certainly respected and looked up to Joan!! We are certainly keeping you all in our thoughts and prayers! May Joan rest in peace with all her departed family members and loved ones...until we meet again. Please let us know about memorial service back in Indy.*

Doug Opel - January 07, 2015 at 04:31 PM

MH

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Mary Harmston - January 07, 2015 at 04:27 PM

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“ John Martin Collins was added to the Family Tree.

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“ Adeline Mclaughlin Morgan was added to the Family Tree.

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“ Alonzo Morgan was added to the Family Tree.

Mary Harmston - January 07, 2015 at 03:57 PM

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Mary Harmston - January 07, 2015 at 03:55 PM

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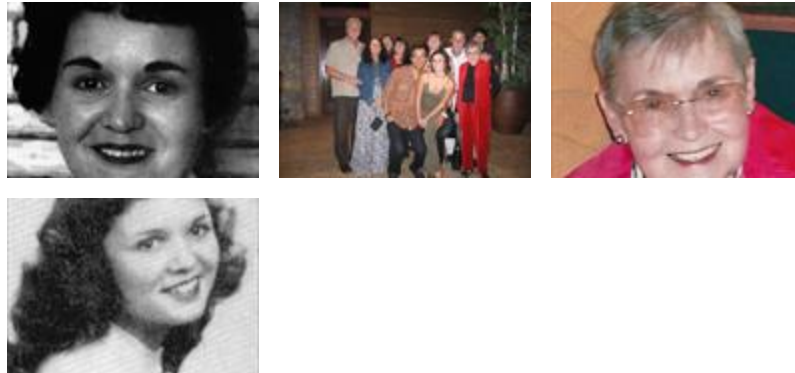
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Mary Harmston - January 07, 2015 at 01:51 PM

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Mary Harmston - January 07, 2015 at 12:30 PM



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Fremont Chapel of the Roses - January 07, 2015 at 12:05 PM

DW

“ On Friday, January 9, 2015 a Mass will be offered for Joan at Our Lady of Mercy School in Merced at 8:15 a.m. I am posting here the readings from this Mass in hopes that those who love and miss her may find some comfort.

In today's readings we will learn that having faith in the healing power of Jesus and believing that Jesus is the Son of God will enable us to have eternal life. With this in mind let us offer the Mass today for Joan Collins, Mrs. Wennberg's mother. Mrs. Collins had strong faith and believed that Jesus is truly God's Son. She valued Catholic education so that others may learn the faith that she held. We pray that her family finds comfort in knowing that she rests now in heaven.

Reading 1 1 JN 5:5-13

Beloved:

*Who indeed is the victor over the world
but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?*

*This is the one who came through water and Blood, Jesus Christ,
not by water alone, but by water and Blood.*

*The Spirit is the one who testifies,
and the Spirit is truth.*

*So there are three who testify,
the Spirit, the water, and the Blood,
and the three are of one accord.*

*If we accept human testimony,
the testimony of God is surely greater.*

*Now the testimony of God is this,
that he has testified on behalf of his Son.*

*Whoever believes in the Son of God
has this testimony within himself.*

*Whoever does not believe God has made him a liar
by not believing the testimony God has given about his Son.*

And this is the testimony:

God gave us eternal life,

*and this life is in his Son.
Whoever possesses the Son has life;
whoever does not possess the Son of God does not have life.*

*I write these things to you so that you may know
that you have eternal life,
you who believe in the name of the Son of God.*

Gospel LK 5:12-16

*It happened that there was a man full of leprosy in one of the towns
where Jesus was;
and when he saw Jesus,
he fell prostrate, pleaded with him, and said,
“Lord, if you wish, you can make me clean.”
Jesus stretched out his hand, touched him, and said,
“I do will it. Be made clean.”
And the leprosy left him immediately.
Then he ordered him not to tell anyone, but
“Go, show yourself to the priest and offer for your cleansing
what Moses prescribed; that will be proof for them.”
The report about him spread all the more,
and great crowds assembled to listen to him
and to be cured of their ailments,
but he would withdraw to deserted places to pray.*

Diane Wennberg - January 07, 2015 at 10:35 AM