



Loretta Darnell

January 15, 1940 - October 22, 2019

Loretta Darnell, 79, of Lake Wales, Florida, left this world on October 22, 2019 at 7:52pm, surrounded by her loving family, while in Life's Journey of Avon's Hospice care. She was born in Lake Wales, Florida on January 15, 1940 to the late Russell Buss and Katherine (Cooper) Quick.

Raised by her Aunt Louise and Uncle Bud in the southern beauty of Montgomery County, Georgia, Loretta graduated high school in 1958 and started her family a year later, giving birth to her first child. After divorcing her first husband, she moved her family to Indiana to be closer to her mother. She met her future husband Bill and they became inseparable. They fell madly in love and married a short time later. Loretta secured employment for RCA Electronics, finding her passion working in nature as a groundskeeper, until retiring in 1990.

Barely five feet tall, Loretta was a feisty firecracker. Protective of her family, she was a sassy, yet nurturing matriarch; defending them with every ounce of her petite being. She enjoyed gardening, eating sweets and especially spoiling her grandchildren; meeting them yearly at Ft. Myers Beach with donuts during spring break.

A devout Catholic, and past member of St. Thomas More Catholic Church, Loretta most recently attended the Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Florida. She

will be deeply missed.

Along with her parents, Loretta was preceded in death by her two husbands, Randall Cartrette and William "Bill" Darnell; infant son, Bud Cartrette; brothers, Gerald (Sonny) Quick Jr., and Richard Quick.

Loretta leaves behind her cherished daughters, Gina Cartrette Speck (husband, Brad) of Monrovia, Tammie Cartrette Toole Trosper, of Martinsville and Becky Cartrette Thomas of Beech Grove; "sister-in-law, Jaque Quick of Indianapolis; grandchildren, Kevin Toole, Stephen Voiles, Danielle Speck, Damon (McKenzie) Speck, Michael Thomas, Clinton Trosper, Dakota and Cheyenne Speck; great grandchild, Isabelle Toole, Heiden Forsythe, Deanon Voils, Little Michael, David and Delilah Thomas; and beloved fur baby, Muffin.

Friends and family are invited to gather to celebrate Loretta's life at Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel in Monrovia, from 5 to 7:30pm, on Friday, November 1, 2019. Cremation Arrangements were entrusted to Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel. To share a favorite story, upload a favorite picture, send the family an online condolence or light a candle in her memory visit www.lightmemorial.com, or search social media @MonroviaFuneralHome.

Previous Events

Gathering of Friends & Family

NOV 1. 5:00 PM - 7:30 PM (ET)

Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel
585 East Main Street
Monrovia, IN 46157
(317) 996-2101
<https://www.lightmemorial.com>

Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Loretta Darnell.*



October 31, 2019 at 09:15 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Loretta Darnell.*



October 31, 2019 at 12:15 PM



“ *Tammy, Gina, and Becky,*

I'll no longer have my "bickering" partner. I'll miss Loretta dearly. Thoughts and prayers with you.

*Love,
"Tom" Thomas*



Tom - October 29, 2019 at 10:18 PM

TA

“ Tammy, Gina, and Becky,

I can't believe they are both gone. They get to share fun times in heaven now. I know they are together looking down on us.

~Those we love don't go away, they walk beside us every day. Unseen, unheard, but always near...so loved, so missed, so very dear.~

Thinking of you.

*Love,
Tammi (Thomas) Terew*



Tammi - October 29, 2019 at 10:15 PM

TO

“ Tammy, Gina, and Becky,

I'll no longer have someone to "bicker" with. I'll miss Loretta dearly! Thoughts and prayers with you in this difficult time.

*Love,
Tom*



Tom - October 29, 2019 at 10:04 PM



“ *Touching Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Loretta Darnell.*



October 28, 2019 at 08:13 PM



“ *Carol Keller lit a candle in memory of Loretta Darnell*



carol keller - October 28, 2019 at 10:23 AM



“ *Tammy, Gina, n Becky*

Our condolences n the loss of ur mom - May God grant u peace n comfort throughout this time of sorrow n in the days n weeks to come.

Larry n I have many memories of good times over the years with ur Mom n Dad - Ur Mom n I use to walk n several Marathons preparing for them walking abt everyday on r road (Baltimore Rd)

Our Thoughts , Prayers n Blessings to all

Carolyn n Larry - October 27, 2019 at 06:01 PM

AH

“ ANNE HALLORAN lit a candle in memory of Loretta Darnell



ANNE HALLORAN - October 27, 2019 at 05:58 PM

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“ Carolyn N Larry lit a candle in memory of Loretta Darnell



Carolyn n Larry - October 27, 2019 at 05:46 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Loretta Darnell.



October 27, 2019 at 02:17 PM

JS

“ Jeannie McCloud Stephens lit a candle in memory of Loretta Darnell



Jeannie McCloud Stephens - October 27, 2019 at 10:29 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Loretta Darnell.*



October 26, 2019 at 07:23 PM