



Joyce Elizabeth Howerton

August 31, 1927 - January 8, 2010

Our beloved wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and sister, Joyce Elizabeth Reile Howerton, departed this life to rest in the arms of our Lord and Savior this 8th day of January 2010. Born to Louis and Theresa Reile in San Antonio, Texas, on August 31, 1927, Joyce was a beautiful child who enjoyed life to the fullest while growing up in a large family with three brothers and three sisters. She was educated in Catholic schools and felt that her years in Ursuline Academy were among the best of her life. Joyce married James C. Howerton, Sr. on September 20, 1947, and embarked on a life-changing journey that would result in the birth of her five children and eventual growth of a very, very large extended family. It was during these child rearing years that Joyce would become a life long member of St. Mary Magdalen's Church and Parish where she was active in the Altar Society, La Leche League, church maternity groups and the Parent/Teacher Association. Her role in church and school life was important to her and she worked hard to provide a strong example of volunteerism that is still carried on by her family today. Joyce was also revered for her superb culinary skills-from down home Southern cooking to her authentic Mexican and Italian dishes- she was the best and her family and friends spent many enjoyable hours dining at her table. Joyce is survived by her husband of 62 years, James C. Howerton, Sr.; her five children: James, Jr., Gregory, Suzanne, Martin and Claire; their respective spouses: Mary, Pam, Randy and Kim; 13 grandchildren and 26 great-grandchildren. She is also survived by sisters Teresa Zaldivar and Dorothy Richter of San Antonio

and sister Marguerite Swanson of Houston.

Tribute Wall

SU

“ Mom~It's Suzie. I miss you and I love you. I will never speak of you as though you are gone because you will forever remain in my mind and heart and memory. When I hear Charlie Rich, Larry Gatlin or Marty Robbins, I will think of you and smile. Love you f

Suzanne - January 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ Jimmy and family, JD and I have very fond memories of Joyce at the coast. Joyce always had a smile for us. There are no words for how we feel about her passing. Our deep sympathy goes out to you. When I told my daughters about Joyce, the first thing bot

J D & FAYE JONES - January 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ Our deepest sympathy to the family. You are in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

Betty and Chad Riegel

Betty Riegel - January 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ My deepest sympathy to your family.

Cathy Love Rodriguez - January 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM

AC

“ I want you all to know that my thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. Aunt Joyce was one of the most thoughtful, loving, and caring people in my life and she will be greatly missed. Her unconditional love set a great example for us all

Amy Richter Clark - January 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LE

“ Please know how sad we are to learn of Joyce's death. Although I was not lucky enough to be around Joyce very much, I remember her as being beautiful and having a smile that lit up the room. When she laughed, everyone laughed because it was so genuine. It

Louise Howerton Ephraim - January 11, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ I think of Joyce as a student at Ursuline where we would meet before class and discuss the latest gossip and hair styles. I didn't see her after graduation but enjoyed meeting with her at our annual luncheon at the Ursuline. Time went by so qui

Betty Isaacs Moczygamba - January 11, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ It makes me very sad to hear of Mrs. Howertons passing. My memories are still very fond of the time I spent around her and the family. I'm sure you all will miss her very much. I give my Condolences to you all in this time of loss. Kevin

Kevin McLean - January 11, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ *We will miss you.*

Murle & Verdell Howerton - January 10, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ *We miss you.*

Dennis & Linda Halpin - January 10, 2010 at 12:00 AM