



## Louise F. Irby

December 4, 1937 - February 28, 2010

Louise Frances Irby was born in New Orleans, La. December 4, 1937, the last of four siblings, born to William Oswald and Florence Gaspard. Her parents and siblings William, Nathaniel and Glenda preceded her in death. Reared and educated in New Orleans, Louise was a graduate of Clark High School and went on to earn a Bachelors Degree in Education from Dillard University where she was a member of the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority. There she met her future husband of 47 years, Joseph Irby. She taught English in New Orleans, LA. and Sumter, SC for several years. As the wife of an Air Force Officer they were on the move for 20 years. She gave birth to their only child, Michael Francois, in Germany and later moved to Biloxi, MS; New Orleans, LA; San Bernardino, CA and San Antonio, TX. For three decades she was a Professional Real Estate agent in the offices of Guy Chipman, John Flournoy, and Norwest Real Estate. The hallmark of her life was her unselfish love and devotion to family. Her special love, wisdom and integrity will always be cherished by her husband Joe, son Michael and daughter-in-law Amber, her three granddaughters Elli, Esa, and Larkin, Brother-in-Law A. Dean Irby and Sister-in-Laws Mary Gilbert, Shirley Gaspard and Jean Gaspard; nieces Lynette and Sherijon; nephews Chauncey, William, Glen, Elijah, Brandon, Shaun; and a host of cousins and friends too numerous to mention. She confirmed her faith at 14 in the Corpus Christi Catholic Church of New Orleans, LA and continued to express her deep and abiding love for Jesus up to her fading breaths of life. Viewing, reception and rosary will be held at

Mission Park Chapel North from 6-9 pm on Sunday March 7, 2010. Funeral services will be held at 9:30 am on Monday March 8, 2010 at Prince of Peace Catholic Church. Interment will follow at Fort Sam Memorial Cemetery. The Family would like to thank all her family and friends for their kindness, consideration and generosity. Special thanks to the caregivers of Christus Hospice Care Santa Rosa for their thoughtfulness and caring attitude over the past three years.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Irby Family,  
Words cannot express our heartfelt sympathy for the physical separation of your precious love one. However, her departing testimony is one that will live and encourage all of us forever. Thanks to all of you for sharing many of your pricel*

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**Nate and Gerceda Guinn** - March 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM

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“ *I am sorry I could not be there but my thoughts and prayers are with you, Michael, and with your family. You now have a wonderful guardian angel. Elise*

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**Elise Dixon** - March 07, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ *Joe,  
We did not know your wife well, but we do know you and love you as our brother. Sherine and I mourn with you at this time of your sorrow and we will keep you and your family in prayer. God's blessings are new every morning.*

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**Morris Jeff Jefferson** - March 06, 2010 at 12:00 AM

HL

“ *First of all My Condolences to Mr. Irby and Family. Just last week I has told my husband, Louise have been on my mind, I need to call her, with great sadness I have loss a dear friend.Louise help us buy several homes, she always took care of us and make*

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**Helen Lozano** - March 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GF

“ Aunt Louise will be sorely missed by all of us. In many ways, she became my surrogate mother. Whenever I needed anything, she was there without hesitation. Like a mom, she provided sage advice whether or not I asked. Already I miss her and must pause when

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**Glenn and Barbara Gaspard and Family** - March 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

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“ Louise will be missed dearly. Her laugh and graciousness will always be remembered, as will her love for her family and granddaughters. She was a fighter and stayed strong throughout her battle, even to the very end.  
We will miss you always.

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**Analiza** - March 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM