



Frances Drake Redditt

September 19, 1922 - February 7, 2013

Frances Drake Redditt died on February 7, 2013, at her home in St. Joseph, LA at the age of 90. She was born in Philadelphia, PA on September 19, 1922 and was reared in Mitchell, LA in Sabine Parish. Frances had 63 years of public service with three different careers. She graduated from Northwestern State University with a B.S. in 1943; she went on to complete her Master's of Science degree from Texas Women's University in 1959 and Certification Certificate #34 from the University of Southwestern Louisiana in 1967.

Frances was a Vocational/Home Economics teacher for 22 years at Joseph Moore Davidson in St. Joseph, LA. Frances continued to serve Tensas Parish as the School Food Service and Vocational Supervisor for 15 years. She retired after 26 years as the Northeast Area Field Supervisor, Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry.

Professionally, Frances was a member and served as president of The American and Louisiana Home Economics Association (now called the Family and Consumer Sciences Association) and The Louisiana School Food Association (now called the Food and Nutrition Association). She was also a member of The American and Louisiana Vocational Education Association. Frances was listed as Outstanding Educator in America 1973-74. She received from Northwestern State University Home Economics Department Alumni Award for Outstanding Achievement in 1972. She also was selected one of Top Ten Home Economics Teachers of the Year in the United States sponsored by "Seventeen Magazine" in 1959.

Frances was actively involved in St. Joseph Cosmopolitan Club, Bruin-Vidal Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, several Bridge Clubs and her church.

She is survived by three sons and two daughters: Charles C. Redditt and wife Carol of Somerville, TN; Dr. John B. Redditt, JR. and wife Margie of Hendersonville, TN; Elizabeth R. McDonell and husband Alex of San Marcos, TX; Susan R. Carpenter and husband Jimmy of Baton Rouge, LA; and Robert W. Redditt and wife Jacquie of Brush, CO. She is also survived by sister-in-law, Lyndel Drake of Houston, TX and cousin, Joyce H. King of Shreveport, LA, and twelve grandchildren, Clay Redditt and wife Kimberly of Kennedale, TX, Claire Redditt of Somerville, TN, Kathy Lowery Pippin and husband David of Bethpage, TN, Rickey Lowery and wife Kim of Monroe, LA, John B. "Trey" Redditt, III of Hendersonville, TN, David C. Redditt and wife Anna of Hendersonville, TN, John Ratcliff and wife Mary of Shreveport, LA, Beth R. Batey and husband, Derek of San Antonio, TX, Katie Carpenter of Baton Rouge, LA, James W. Carpenter and wife Kristin of Arlington, VA, Darci Redditt of Woodland, Park, CO, Alissa R. Guzman and husband, Neil of Winsor, CO. She has 24 Great Grandchildren and 4 Great, Great Grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. Frances was preceded in death by her parents, Clifford W. and Elizabeth S. Drake; husband, John B. Redditt, Sr., brother, Clifford Drake and wife Lavern, and sister, Margaret "Honey" Napier and her husband, Jack. Visitation at First United Methodist Church in St. Joseph, LA on Wednesday, February 13, 2013 from 11:00 until the service at 2:00 PM at the church. Burial will be at Legion Memorial Cementery. Memorial donations may be made to First United Methodist Church in St. Joseph for the Louisiana Methodist Childrens Home. Serving as pallbearers: Clay Redditt, Trey Redditt, David Redditt, John Ratcliff, Derek Batey, James Carpenter, Philip Ackel and Mike St. Romain

Tribute Wall

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“ so sorry to hear of mrs.redditts death.i worked for union parish schoolboard and she checked my commodities many times.she was such a nice lady

connie mckinnie - February 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM