



Joan Louise Sandridge Colaluca

November 30, 1930 - September 6, 2023

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Joan Louise Sandridge Colaluca on September 6, 2023. Born on November 30, 1930, Joan was a beloved wife, mother, grandmother, and friend to many.

She grew up on a farm in Ravenna, Ohio, where she learned the value of hard work and determination. After graduating high school as valedictorian of her class, Joan enlisted in the U.S. Army where she met her husband, Donald. Together, they settled in Somerville, New Jersey, and raised seven wonderful children - five boys and two girls. In 1968, Donald, who was affectionately known as Coke, was transferred to Tokyo, Japan, and the family followed him, living on a military base in Momote Village for six years. After their time in Japan, the family moved back to the states and settled in Lancaster, Texas, where Joan lived for the last 49 years. She was an active parishioner of St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, holding various titles and responsibilities, and volunteering countless hours. She also delivered Meals on Wheels for 33 years, rain or shine, showing her dedication to serving others.

Joan was an excellent cook. Her family especially loved Sundays when they would gather for a meal she prepared. She enjoyed traveling, reading, crafts, sewing, and spending time with her family, friends, and grandkids. She also enjoyed the occasional trip to the casino with her daughters!

Joan is preceded in death by her beloved husband, Coke; their son, Norman; her parents, Harold and Hazel Sandridge; her brother, Dari Sandridge; and her sisters, Marilyn Moore and Ruth Day.

Joan is survived by her daughters, Lisa Gatlin and husband Ed of Lancaster, TX; Nancy Hooper and husband Jon of Oak Leaf, TX; her sons, Victor Colaluca of Mims, FL; Donald Colaluca and wife Lisa of Lancaster, TX; Mark Colaluca, Singapore; Andrew Colaluca and wife Debra, Midlothian, TX; daughter-in-law Faye Colaluca, Ft. Worth, TX; her grandchildren, Lisa Mayfield (Josh), Michael Colaluca (Robin), Stephanie Colaluca, Tyler Gatlin (Ami), Shelbi Gatlin (Anthony), Paden Gatlin, Maddie Hooper, Lindsey Von Alst (Austin), Lori Colaluca, Dalton Colaluca; Nicholas Colaluca, Kendall Colaluca, Connie Villalobos (Cedric); her great grandchildren, Rhiannon, Heidi, Charlee, and Callan. She will be deeply missed by her children, numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews. Her warm presence, kind heart, and quick wit will forever be remembered by all who knew her.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, September 12, 2023 from 5:00pm to 7:00pm at Byrum Funeral Home Chapel in Lancaster, TX. A funeral mass will be held at 11:00am on Wednesday, September 13, 2023 at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, 1537 Rogers Avenue, Lancaster with a Rosary beginning prior to the mass at 10:30am.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Meals on Wheels or St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church in Joan's memory.

Rest in peace, dear Joan, and thank you for the beautiful memories you leave behind.

Previous Events

Rosary

SEP 13. 10:30 AM (CT)

St Francis of Assisi Catholic
1537 Rogers Ave
Lancaster, TX 75146

Funeral Mass

SEP 13. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

PP

“ Please accept our condolences for losing Joan Colaluca that gave back so much to the community. RIP Joan Colaluca. From Patrick Courts, Sr. And Pattie Landry.

Patrick Courts, Sr. & Pattie - September 14, 2023 at 09:41 AM

SG

“ I have known Mrs. Colaluca and her family from when we all lived in Japan! When I was stationed in Ft. Sill , Ok. I drove to Dallas to see them. Mrs. Colaluca asked me what I wanted for dinner? I said “your “ lasagna! She made two. One for dinner that night, and one to take back to Ft.Sill.

steven greene - September 13, 2023 at 07:05 PM

SA

“ Such an amazing person that influenced so many. I will treasure my memories of her. I be am sorry you are having to go through this.

Susan Anderson - September 13, 2023 at 09:23 AM



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Joan Louise Sandridge Colaluca.



September 12, 2023 at 09:56 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Joan Louise Sandridge Colaluca.



September 12, 2023 at 04:08 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Joan Louise Sandridge Colaluca.



September 12, 2023 at 01:09 PM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Joan Louise Sandridge Colaluca.



September 12, 2023 at 12:15 PM



“ *wendy weiss lit a candle in memory of Joan Louise Colaluca*



wendy weiss - September 12, 2023 at 12:13 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joan Louise Sandridge Colaluca.



September 11, 2023 at 06:17 PM



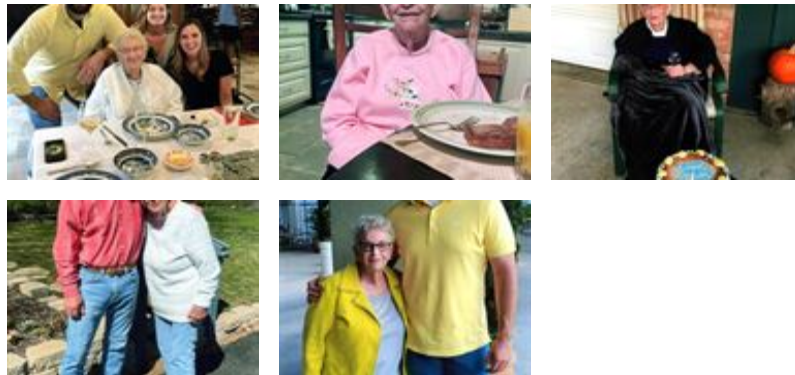
“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Joan Louise Sandridge Colaluca.



September 11, 2023 at 04:49 PM



“ 111 files added to the album Life Tributes



Byrum Funeral Home - September 11, 2023 at 03:17 PM



“ 0 file added to the tribute wall

Byrum Funeral Home - September 11, 2023 at 01:59 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Joan Louise Sandridge Colaluca.



September 11, 2023 at 11:35 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Joan Louise Sandridge Colaluca.



September 11, 2023 at 08:29 AM



“ *Small Garden Dish* was purchased for the family of Joan Louise Sandridge Colaluca.



September 10, 2023 at 09:13 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Joan Louise Sandridge Colaluca.



September 10, 2023 at 03:57 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Joan Louise Sandridge Colaluca.*



September 10, 2023 at 10:18 AM



“ *Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joan Louise Sandridge Colaluca.*



September 09, 2023 at 08:16 PM



“ *I am truly going to miss your mama! She was so good to me.*

gaye - September 09, 2023 at 06:03 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Joan Louise Sandridge Colaluca.*



September 09, 2023 at 05:38 PM



“ *Monica May lit a candle in memory of Joan Louise Colaluca*



Monica May - September 09, 2023 at 04:36 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Joan Louise Sandridge Colaluca.*



September 09, 2023 at 03:44 PM



“ *Sweet Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Joan Louise Sandridge Colaluca.*



September 09, 2023 at 09:32 AM



“ *Divine Light was purchased for the family of Joan Louise Sandridge Colaluca.*



September 09, 2023 at 08:21 AM

MC

“ Mom, i love you! Rest in peace with spoofer and Norman

Mark Colaluca - September 09, 2023 at 08:15 AM



“ Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Joan Louise Sandridge Colaluca.



September 09, 2023 at 08:13 AM



“ Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Joan Louise Sandridge Colaluca.



September 08, 2023 at 07:28 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joan Louise Sandridge Colaluca.



September 08, 2023 at 04:22 PM

DT

“ *Dianne Tucker lit a candle in memory of Joan Louise Colaluca*



Dianne Tucker - September 08, 2023 at 04:05 PM

SE

“ *Selinda lit a candle in memory of Joan Louise Colaluca*



Selinda - September 08, 2023 at 12:35 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Joan Louise Sandridge Colaluca.*



September 08, 2023 at 12:33 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Joan Louise Sandridge Colaluca.*



September 08, 2023 at 12:07 PM