



Christine Gaytan

January 24, 1957 - July 17, 2006

Christine Fortin Gaytan -- Bourbonnais Visitation for Christine M. Fortin Gaytan, 49, of Bourbonnais, will be from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday at Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home, 1480 West Court St. in Kankakee, where services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday. Danny Phillips will officiate. Cremation rites will be accorded. Inurnment will be in Mound Grove Gardens. Memorials may be made to the family wishes. She died Monday (July 17, 2006), at her home, following an extended illness. Mrs. Gaytan was a youth counselor and tutor for the Bradley School District and Indian Oaks Academy in Manteno. She was born Jan. 24, 1957, the daughter of Clayton and Beverly Arthur Fortin. She was a 1975 graduate of Eastridge High School and enjoyed playing bingo, riverboat gambling and helping others. Surviving are her husband, Jose Antonio Gaytan II of Bourbonnais, whom she married Sept. 4, 1976, in Kankakee; one son, Jose Antonio Gaytan III "Chaco" of Victoria, Texas; one daughter, Lindsey Gaytan of Bourbonnais; four grandchildren, Armando, Jamile, Isabella and Vasella; her mother of Kankakee; three brothers and sisters-in-law, Forrest and Darlene Fortin of Kankakee, Jeff and Sybille Fortin of Greendale, Wis., and Mike and Karen Fortin of Holman, Wis.; six sisters and four brothers-in-law, Cynthia and James Price of Kankakee, Kathleen and Butch Johnson, LouAnne and Arturo Gonzalez, Vicky Fortin, and Terri and Terry Terrell, all of Bradley, and Janet Fortin of St. Anne; a special brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Everardo and Oliva Gaytan of Bourbonnais; other brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Francisco Gaytan,

Estela and Miguel Guzman, all of Kankakee, Vicente and Sophia Gaytan of Mexico, Lucilla and Miguel Camargo of Bradley, and Rosa and Alfredo Andrade of Texas; several nieces and nephews, including a special nephew and niece, Chico Gaytan of Bourbonnais and Lorena Munoz of Kankakee; and numerous special friends. Deceased are her twin sister, Carol Gaytan; father; one nephew, Eric Pierce; and her father-in-law and mother-in-law, Jose Antonio and Maria Delores Gaytan.

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“ Sorry for the lost Cristine was awesome!! nice to all lindsey friends even if it was her first time meeting them!!!!

love leslie and tommy##imported-begin##LESLIE AND TOMMY##imported-end##

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“ I am really sorry to hear about Chris passing away. I had the opportunity to get a little reacquainted with her via email during our 30th reunion time. What a great lady. My sympathy to all the Fortins and Gaytan families. Ruth McGrath Bohlmann##imported-begin##Ruth McGrath Bohlmann##imported-end##

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“ My family's sympathy to yours. The world has truly lost one of the "angels" we hear about that walk the earth. She touched the lives of so many people in her kind, loving, unselfish manner. She made you feel good whenever around her. We should all follow the example that she set as a remembrance of her. She was so good especially to my daughter, Jackie and grandson Erick. If we had only known the last time we saw her was the last time, so many things we would have told her. How much we loved and appreciated her. She will be truly missed. God Bless,
 Sharon##imported-begin##Sharon Plonka##imported-end##

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“ Selena and I are very upset we wish we could have spent more time with her and wish we didnt lose contact 2years ago.##imported-begin##Julie Barlow (Riml)##imported-end##

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“ you were gone all to swift no time to say goodbye but you will live forever in the memories that are locked in my heart##imported-begin##verda villagomez##imported-end##

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“ I wanted to tell Christine's family how much I appreciate her dedication to our class reunions. ĩ½She was often instrumental in the planning and organization of them, which is an indication of how much she cared for others in her life. ĩ½Her work and her character have touched my heart. ĩ½She will be dearly missed at future class reunions. ĩ½My heart and prayers are with all of her loving family.##imported-begin##Carol Kelly Kessler##imported-end##

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“ There are not enough words to express how much Christine will be missed. ĩ½She was the absolute perfect friend and always had such wonderful things to say about everyone. ĩ½She kept all of her friends together after we graduated like no one else. ĩ½John and I were so excited about the plans of the mid August visit to our home with Christine, Lindsey and Beverly. Christine has touched so many lives with her loving ways. ĩ½The many happy memories will live on within our hearts.##imported-begin##John and Lori Blankenship##imported-end##

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“ I am so sorry for your loss, my deepest sympathies go out to all family members.##imported-begin##Tena Zarate##imported-end##

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“ Tony and Family,

You have my heartfelt sympathy. I was schocked when I discovered Christines name while viewing the Journal online.

Christine was always a pleasure and joy to be around. She brought sunshine with her smile and jovial ways. I enjoy joking with her.

Christine always was there for people in need. She would lend a hand or an ear to anyone hurting or in trouble. She sent me a beautiful card when I was hurting a couple of years ago. I tried to call and thank her for it but she was always on the go and I never caught her. I hope she knows how much that card meant to me.

She was sunshine on a cloudy day.

May GOD bless and comfort all of you during this difficult time.
i ½i ½Larry##imported-begin##Larry McIntyre##imported-end##

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“ Christine had such a beautiful spirit. i ½I will always remember how kind she was to my family by sending christmas letters to my children and sharing prizes she won at the casino with me and my husband (Ron). i ½She always had a funny story to share too. She will be missed, but I'm so thankful I had the opportunity to know her.##imported-begin##Keisha Smith##imported-end##

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“ Christine was so very special, to me and to so many!!!

I was fortunate enough to have lunch with her last Wednesday. ĩ½She refused to let me pay.... and she actually let me hug her. ĩ½I recall that she said she was so tired of being so tired..., so, now she can rest. ĩ½

I know I will desperately miss her and her giving heart. ĩ½

I can only hope Tony and Bev remember that they were so fortunate to know her so intimately... ĩ½I love her, and that cannot die!!!

Thank you for the wonderful opportunity to know her, and love her so dearly. ĩ½Sharon Granger##imported-begin##Sharon Granger##imported-end##

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“ Our hearts go out to Beverly and her family at this time. ĩ½We are so sorry to hear of your loss and hope you are surrounded with wonderful friends and family. ĩ½Thank you for all of your consideration and kindness over the years, our thoughts are with you.##imported-begin##Lori Stevenson##imported-end##

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“ I am so sorry to hear of Christine's passing. ĩ½There are very few people in this world that had such a giving personality. ĩ½Please know that the family will be in my thoughts and prayers. ĩ½##imported-begin##Becky Dafoe##imported-end##

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“ I loved Tina like she was my own Aunt. She was the most thoughtful person I have ever met in my whole life. i½She made a big impression on me and Erick. You will be missed!!! i½I will never forget you.

Love

Jackie and Erick (your "other" grandson)##imported-begin##Jackie Plonka##imported-end##

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“ My deepest sympathy to Christine's family. My family and I i½grew up next to the Fortin family. With our ten children and their large family it was never a dull moment. Bev you are in my thoughts and prayers. I am sure that it is never easy to loose a child but she is with Carol now and that must bring you some comfort.##imported-begin##Karen Purcell Mann##imported-end##

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“ Wish we lived closer so we could convey our feelings in person. i½We were sorry to learn of Christine's passing. i½We are grateful we were able to see her this past October at the high school reunion. i½It was nice to spend time with her other than phone calls, email, and cards. i½Christine was a wonderful person -- always thinking of others. i½She will be missed. i½We pray that you find comfort in the fact that others share in your loss. i½You are in our thoughts.##imported-begin##Lynn & Jeff Fradsham##imported-end##

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“ Our deepest sympathy in the passing of Christine. May you find comfort in this time of sorrow, and know that our thoughts and prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Sheryl Guzman/Miguel Barbosa##imported-end##

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“ Christine was *THE* best sister one could ask for. I will miss her dearly. I already do. I still pick up the phone to call her every day. She was the most giving and unselfish person I knew. She did so much for everyone else that we had to tell her to stop and take a break sometimes. Thank you to all the people who have left the wonderful comments about her. We as a family have some comfort knowing that she touched so many lives. One of the only comforts I have is that I know she is with Carol, Dad, and Eric. May you rest in peace Tina, we will always remember the good times and you will NEVER EVER be far from our thoughts. I LOVE YOU. Terri##imported-begin##Terri Terrell##imported-end##

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“ I will always remember the twins, now they are together again. May they be at peace.##imported-begin##Debra Lade Serrano##imported-end##

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“ My sincere sympathy to Tony, Beverly, Forrest and everyone that is feeling
the loss of Christine. She was a very caring, kind and giving person. I totally enjoyed seeing and visiting with her. At one point she was there to help my daughter and her husband when they had twins. We were so grateful. She was an all around good person, she will be really missed. She must have been needed somewhere else. Sorry it took so long to write this but with my loss it just was hard, to say good-bye to another special person.
Nancy Godin [Daughter of Rita Gonski] [mother-in-law and mother to Brian & Tammy Gibson] [My husband worked with Forrest for years]

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“ Christine My Love..... No one could ever possibly take your place
Every now and again i miss your face, your smile, your laugh, you gentle touch.... Mommy I miss you so much.
You were more to me than just my bestfriends mom, My Mother
My Friend My Confidon. A part of my hart left when you did
I will always claim myself as your only "Black" Kid!
Christine Gaytan the love of my soul.

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