



## Theresa Marie Jett Gee

June 29, 1926 - April 23, 2020

Theresa Marie Jett Gee, 93, of Manteno, passed away April 23, 2020 at Riverside Miller Rehabilitation in Kankakee.

Theresa was born June 29, 1926 in St. George, a daughter to Yvon and Jeanette Brais. She married Robert Warren Jett in 1946. He preceded her in death Aug. 12, 1974. She married George W. Gee in 1984. He preceded her in death May 5, 1995.

She is survived by two sons, Brian (Dawn) Jett of Bradley and Robert (Greg Burns) Jett of Massachusetts; and three daughters Linda (Thomas) Jensen of Arizona, Renee (Steve) Daggars of Shorewood and Lori (Richard) Meuser of Rantoul. One son and one daughter preceded her in death, Donald (Paula) Jett and Michelle (Leo) Giacometti. Survivors include 11 grandchildren, one grandchild preceded her in death, and 15 great-grandchildren.

In addition to her own seven children, she was “mom” to many others, some she cared for in their times of need, many others just enjoyed spending time at the Jett house. She was always someone that they could talk to and they could always count on her for advice or a scolding, if needed. There are scores of young people, who are now adults, who she continued to refer to as “one of my other kids.”

Theresa is survived by two sisters, Mary Ann (Phillip) Hughes of Cabery and Sister Yvonne Brais of Champaign. She was preceded in death by her siblings, Doris, Barnard "CB", Robert, Donald and Raymond.

Two sisters-in-law, Mary and Patricia Brais, and many nieces, nephews and cousins also survive her.

Theresa was employed at several restaurants in the Kankakee area, including Eagle Island, Tri-K, Holiday Inn and the Hen House. She was constantly on the go and when she finally sat down at the end of the day, she would pick up her quilting or crocheting, which she gifted to many of her family and friends.

She was a life-long parishioner in the St. Joseph Catholic Church of Manteno. Her service to the community included volunteering at her church, delivering Meals on Wheels, and embroidering baby bibs for newborns at St. Mary's Hospital.

Everywhere Theresa went she would bump into someone she knew. She never met a stranger. Her talkative and friendly nature opened many doors to new friendships.

Theresa was a casualty of COVID-19. Her family mourns her passing, which was made even more tragic because they could not be at her side.

The family is deeply grateful to the caregivers at Miller Rehabilitation for their devotion to the care of Theresa. Their commitment to the comfort and care of all of their residents is beyond heroic.

Services are private. If you would like to honor her memory, please consider donations to help those fighting the COVID-19 pandemic.

Arrangements by Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Manteno.  
Please sign her guestbook at [www.clancygernon.com](http://www.clancygernon.com).

# Tribute Wall

MC

“ I always enjoyed my weekend visits with Theresa at Miller Center. She was so kind and always smiling. Loved to here her stories of when she was working as a waitress. She will be missed. Sending her family hugs and prayers.

Mary Clark - May 01, 2020 at 09:24 AM

CO

“ My parents, Thomas and Gwendolyn Overton (the pop people) and I knew her throughout the years as one of the most hardworking, kindest, and most cheerful of people.

Cheryl L. Overton - April 30, 2020 at 11:27 AM

CO

“ Cheryl L. Overton lit a candle in memory of Theresa Marie Jett Gee



Cheryl L. Overton - April 30, 2020 at 11:24 AM

ML

“ What a wonderful lady. Have known Theresa since I was a young girl. She was always someone who had a smile on her face and great fun to spend time with. Our sympathy and prayers to her family.

Brandon & Mary Kay Long

Mary Kay Long - April 29, 2020 at 11:00 AM

MM

“ God Bless Theresa, she was always kind no matter how mischievous we were, lol...

Mike Marshall - April 27, 2020 at 02:53 PM

JO

“ Our deepest sympathy to the Jett and Gee families.  
My childhood best friend was Theresa's daughter Linda Jett.  
During sleepovers and just hanging out at their home Theresa was always hospitable, had a great sense of humor and also a great cook.  
She was a very loving mother to all. I remember the look on her face  
when I told her that my confirmation name was going to be Saint Teresa.  
The spellings were different but the meaning the same. She was very  
happy and proud of my choice. She was a very special person here on earth  
and we were blessed to have known her.  
Rest in peace Theresa. You have earned your wings.

Jeanne Williams Oehlerking  
and Rick Oehlerking  
Temple, Texas

Jeanne Williams Oehlerking - April 26, 2020 at 03:08 PM

GH

“ Am so sorry to hear about Teresa. Always loved that lady. Always so much fun and upbeat no matter what trials she was going through. Saw her every morning for years at Yanni's after she and her "ladies" wen to church. Know she will be missed by many. Just a great person. Our sympathies, Gary & Sue Hoskins

Gary & Sue Hoskins - April 26, 2020 at 12:14 PM

ST

“ *Sympathy and prayers for Theresa’s family. I saw her last when my mom was at the same place. She was still a corker and it great to see her! RIP Theresa.* ”




Stacy Thompson - April 25, 2020 at 01:36 PM

MM

“ *MR MRS lit a candle in memory of Theresa Marie Jett Gee* ”



MR MRS - April 24, 2020 at 10:54 AM

 Terry Taylor

“ *Terry Taylor lit a candle in memory of Theresa Marie Jett Gee* ”



Terry Taylor - April 24, 2020 at 08:39 AM

JU

“ *Julia lit a candle in memory of Theresa Marie Jett Gee* ”



Julia - April 23, 2020 at 11:46 PM

VH

“ Vickie Hammond lit a candle in memory of Theresa Marie Jett Gee



Vickie Hammond - April 23, 2020 at 09:35 PM



“ You are in my prayers



Bob Schneider - April 23, 2020 at 09:34 PM

PG

“ We Love and miss you Theresa! You were sooo good to my father!



Patrick Gee - April 23, 2020 at 09:22 PM

JG

I loved them both bunches! They were a huge part of my life growing up ❤️

jennifer Goad - April 23, 2020 at 09:50 PM

ST

SO SORRY to read of Theresa passing. Wonderful memories of long ago when my parents Webb/Irene Kohl spent many hours together and my overnights at the Brais home. In my Rosary.

Sharon Kohl Tomaszewski - April 24, 2020 at 09:35 AM

PA

“ My thoughts and prayers are with all the family 💕



Pam(Tibbs)Schwerin - April 23, 2020 at 08:44 PM

TF

A new precious Angel has arrived in Heaven. Blessings to her family. In our hearts and thoughts. 🙏❤️

Theodore LaFaber Family - April 24, 2020 at 09:22 AM

CD

“ Chuck & Nancy Dixon lit a candle in memory of Theresa Marie Jett Gee



Chuck & Nancy Dixon - April 23, 2020 at 07:32 PM

JM

“ She was a good hearted joker and adored her family. God Bless Her son Brian, Renee, Mitzie and her family. Rest Easy Theresa and fly high with our angels <3

janice mercier - April 23, 2020 at 06:55 PM

SC

“ Stephanie Covington lit a candle in memory of Theresa Marie Jett Gee



Stephanie Covington - April 23, 2020 at 06:52 PM

JM

“ Janice Mercier lit a candle in memory of Theresa Marie Jett Gee



janice mercier - April 23, 2020 at 06:46 PM

RH

“ Renee Hoots lit a candle in memory of Theresa Marie Jett Gee



Renee Hoots - April 23, 2020 at 06:44 PM

PB

“ May you celebrate with your sister and brothers In a welcome reunion. I remember all the good times we would get together with the sisters and brothers once a month, many laughs and memories shared . Rest in Gods Hands now sister-in-law. Love, Pat

Pat Brais - April 23, 2020 at 06:10 PM

LS

“ I use to work at Miller and Theresa was one of my favorite people! She was so sweet and always joking. My condolences to her family and friends.



Lisa Samuels - April 23, 2020 at 05:50 PM

KC

“ I HAD KNOWN THERESA FOR A LONG TIME SHE WAS LIKE A SECOND MOM TO ME THERE WERE TIMES WE WOULD GET TOGETHER FOR OUR BIRTHDAYS I CALLED HER MY BIRTHDAY BUDDY FLY HIGH THERESA AND BE AT PEACE IN HEAVEN



KARO CHARBONNEAU - April 23, 2020 at 05:25 PM

DS

“ Have known TJ for many years going all the way back to the hen house. Loved her so much and she would tell it to me like it was without sugar coating. Fly high my friend your home now



Debbie Swaite - April 23, 2020 at 02:36 PM

PV

“ Theresa has always been one of my favorite people. I am truly going to miss her. I do miss her. You are all in my prayers.

Patricia Visinaiz - April 23, 2020 at 01:16 PM

LG

“ *Linda Garrison lit a candle in memory of  
Theresa Marie Jett Gee*



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**Linda Garrison** - April 23, 2020 at 12:12 PM