

The Richelieu Leger Family Association, Inc. In Memorium

A Great Lady

Evelyn Lege, long-time resident of Napa, California and foundress of the Richelieu Leger Family Association, passed away January 4, 2005, from complications due to cancer. A rosary and vigil service was held on January 9, 2005 at the Claffey and Rota Funeral Home in Napa and a Funeral Mass of Christian Burial was held on January 10, 2005 at St. Apollinaris catholic Church in Napa. Internment followed at Holy Cross Cemetery in St. Helena.

After marriage in 1946, Evelyn worked as a secretary for numerous admirals at Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard. In 1953, she and her husband moved to Napa where she worked as a secretary for the Napa Unified School District.

Evelyn was a lifetime/charter member of the Leger Association she helped organize and served on its Board of Directors from its inception in 2000 until her death. She helped organize the Leger-Trahan Family Reunion for Congres Mondial in Nova Scotia during the summer of 2004. Despite living far from Acadiana, she was extremely active in the activities of the association and very dedicated to preserving the Leger name, history and culture.

Evelyn was a pioneer of St Apollinaris Parish and helped in every aspect of the parish from 1957 until her illness forced her to stop. She helped organize the St. Apollanairis School office and the Children's Choir and Christmas program. She was one of the original starters of the Bell Choir and played the organ for Mass. Evelyn was a member of the original Women's Guild at St. Apollinairis, the Hearts and Hands, the Parish Liturgy Committee and the YLI. She was also a member of Les Papillon travel Trailer Club in the Bay Area.

Evelyn is survived by her husband of 59 years, John I. Lege of Napa and four sons, Steve and his wife Nancy of Davis, CA., Jerry and his wife, Margaret of Fullerton, CA., John of Napa, and Mike and his wife Po of Mesa, AZ.; three grandsons, two brothers - Jim Perry of Florence, OR. and Robert Perry of West Sacramento, CA.; one sister - Miriam Abbott of Galt, CA., numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, Alfred and Alice Perry, and one sister, Regina Stewart.

Evelyn will be sadly missed by all those whose hearts she touched, especially the Board of Directors of this family association. We know she is smiling down on us all and watching over us. Keep us faithful to your dream, Evelyn.