



# Mary Christine Stutes

September 21, 2018

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Rayne, LA - Funeral services will be held on Monday, September 24, 2018 at a 12:00 pm Mass of Christian Burial at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Rayne, LA for Mary Christine Stutes, 40, who died Friday, September 21, 2018 at North Oaks Medical Center in Hammond, LA. After a long battle with liver disease our beautiful sister passed peacefully surrounded by family, friends, and prayer. Christine had a heart for Jesus and found her forever home today. She as loved and will always be missed. Our family appreciates your prayers, thoughts, and condolences.

Interment will be in the Our Lady of the Sacred Heart #2 in Church Point, LA.

Father Christopher Cambre, Associate Pastor of St. Joseph Catholic Church, will be the Celebrant of the Funeral Mass and will conduct the funeral services. A Eulogy will be read at the funeral home at 10:45 am the day of the funeral.

Survivors include her mother, Nancy Bush Stutes of Hammond, sister, Anne Stutes Matthews and spouse Fred Matthews of Baton Rouge, brother, Darrell "Johnny" Stutes, Jr. and spouse Cinia Kilbert Stutes of Hammond, six nieces and nephews, Andrew Matthews, Jack Matthews, Caroline Matthews, Emily Matthews, Chloe Stutes, Jacob Stutes, paternal grandmother, Gladys Bourque Stutes of Rayne, maternal grandmother, Betty Ann Guidry Bush of Rayne, three aunts, Elizabeth "Liz" Bush Mooney and spouse Mike Mooney of Rayne, Ellen M. Stutes of Rayne, Shirley Stutes Cook and spouse Dave Cook of Baton Rouge, three uncles, David Bush and spouse Sandy Bush of Rayne, Richard D. Stutes and companion Baine Ryder of Youngsville, Charles J. Stutes and spouse Elizabeth Stutes of Lydia, and numerous cousins.

She was preceded in death by her father, Darrell John Stutes, Sr., brother, Benjamin "Ben" James Stutes, maternal grandfather, Dr. James R. Bush, Sr., paternal grandfather, Joseph "Joe" Wilbert Stutes, aunt, Annette Stutes Bruner, two uncles, Jerome Bush, James "Jim"

Bush, Jr., cousin, Derek Bush.

Pallbearers will be Andrew Matthews, Jack Matthews, John Bush, Seth Mooney, Joseph Bruner, and Brad Cook.

The family requests that visitation be observed in Gossen Funeral Home in Rayne LA on Monday September 24, 2018 from 9:00 am to 11:30 am.

Friends may view the obituary and guestbook online at <http://www.gossenfuneralhome.net>.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Gossen Funeral Home, Inc. of Rayne, LA, (337) 334-3141.

Gossen Funeral Home, Inc.

# Cemetery

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## Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Cemetery New

2150 Hwy 35 North  
Church Point, LA,

# Events

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**SEP 24** Visitation 09:00AM - 11:30AM

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Gossen Funeral Home Inc.  
504 N. Polk Street, Rayne, LA, US,  
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# Comments

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“ Sadly Christine left this world much too early. Graceful, classy and artistic like her mother, are the right words to describe her. We met Christine when she was visiting her parents for a weekend, a beautiful, young woman, full of excitement and energy. Soon after that we were invited to her wonderful wedding at her parents home. I did not see Christine often but when I did I was always so glad to see her because of her friendly, charming and fun personality. Our thoughts, prayers are with her family and especially our friend Nancy, we send her our love to make it through this sad and difficult time.

Gisela and Michael Niefenauer  
Sept. 27, 2018

**Gisela Niefenauer** - September 27, 2018 at 10:54 PM

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“ Lisa Adams Goux lit a candle in memory of Mary Christine Stutes



**Lisa Adams Goux** - September 25, 2018 at 03:25 AM

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“ Monica Trahan Landry lit a candle in memory of Mary Christine Stutes



**Monica Trahan Landry** - September 24, 2018 at 02:06 PM

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“ I will never forget the day as a kid That Christine moved into the house behind mine I was so excited that Christine was the same age as me, my dad broke the fence up and build a gate so that we could Go back-and-forth and play at each other’s house then Everyone in the family would come swim at my house and Christine brought the tanning oil and my dad fussed it was making a film on the pool (🤔ugg) and then her mom Mrs Nancy was the first one that took me to the Riverwalk and we bought bracelets and Christine and I would lay in the back of their van and sit upside down and sing Paula Adul songs I have so many memories with her from growing up I can’t share them all but it’s a major loss she was so beautiful and talented. Which a photogenic mind. Will miss you my friend!!

**Lisa Adams Goux** - September 24, 2018 at 12:03 PM

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“ Rusty & Crystal Rogers lit a candle in memory of Mary Christine Stutes



**Rusty & Crystal Rogers** - September 24, 2018 at 10:28 AM

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“ Rhonda Guidry lit a candle in memory of Mary Christine Stutes



**Rhonda Guidry** - September 24, 2018 at 10:20 AM

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“ I met Tine in a very special place in Rayville, La. We were there for the same reason but we were opposites. She was very girly, always looked perfect. She could take anything and make it into a gourmet meal. She was soft spoken. She was classy. She was an artist. I was just a girl from Detroit who was none of what she was but wanted to change my life. I never thought I could be close with someone like her.....but we clicked.

The thing that sticks in my head was she was always drawing. I remember,one day sitting in lecture next to her and she was drawing a picture of a woman's face. I seen it many times. Sometimes it would be happy. Sometimes it would be sad. Sometimes it would be crying. Sometimes the face would be divided. I looked at her one day and said "do you know who that is?". She said "a woman.". I said " that's you. You are drawing your own face.". She had a lot inside that she was too classy to show so she put it on paper.

We lived a good distance from each other but stayed in touch after we left that very special place. She was always sweet and kind to myself and my children and always commented sweet things on my grandbabies pics. I will miss her and remember her forever. Sweet, sweet Tine.

**Anne Tatro** - September 23, 2018 at 10:39 AM

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“Tine and I met working Bella Rose in college. We became friends instantly and were inseparable. Tine was the sweetest, most caring person. We always teased her about her soft whisper of a voice but it was just part of her gentle nature. She was probably one of the classiest women I have ever known. Tine taught me so much about life. She would share her “nancisms” (things her mom would say to her). Christine loved her family so much, she always talked about her granny and nieces and nephews. She was definitely a daddy’s girl.

She took care of me, always cooked for me. She was a gourmet cook and could make anything! Christine loved nature. Some of my best memories were taking walks in nature and admiring the beauty in the smallest things. She was the friend that would stay up all night talking when I needed her. Christine loved music. We had so many favorite songs, but one that we always laughed the most about was Jack Johnson’s, fortunate fool. I would sing this one to her and tell her she was too good to be true.

I will miss our dance parties. We used to love to annoy Ben by trying to get him to dance with us. I know she is dancing with Ben in heaven.

She was a talented and inspiring artist. Tine could draw and paint beautifully. She could find beauty in just about anything.

Christine was very spiritual and always had a close relationship to God. Her catholic faith was something that she held dear to her and was proud of.

I will miss so many things about Tine, but most of all I think her smile, those dimples, and her laughter. Right now it hurts so much to think of her smile because it feels like I will never see it again. Until we meet again, sweet friend. As Tine would always say, much love sister.

**Sherry Ward** - September 22, 2018 at 06:19 PM