



## Effie Jane Lee

December 22, 1940 - November 21, 2019

Effie Jane Latimer Lee died November 21, 2019 after a two year battle with cancer. She was born in Houston, Texas on December 22, 1940 to Jesse and Vera Sue Latimer. Her early years were spent in East Texas and later in El Paso Texas and Hatch New Mexico.

Later as a single mother raising two children Gradi and Richard in Austin Texas, she graduated with honors from the University of Texas at Austin in nutrition and dietetics. After an internship in Colorado where she received her license as a Registered Dietitian, the family moved to Greenville, South Carolina where she worked as a clinical dietitian and assistant food service director. Then she took a management position at a hospital in Fort Wayne, Indiana where she received her Master's Degree from Indiana University. She met her husband, Gary Alan Lee, with whom she has spent the last very happy 41 years together. While living in Indiana she was recruited to another management position with Enodis Corporation which at that time was the largest manufacturer of commercial foodservice equipment in the World. There she used her skills in food science and now has her name on a number of foodservice equipment patents. Later as director of international sales, she oversaw equipment sales around the World and traveled to many countries during her 24 years there. After retirement, she and her husband moved to their home in Bonita Springs where they have been residing for the last 19 years.

She is survived by her loving husband, Gary of Bonita Springs, her daughter, Gradi and her husband Dr. Richard Evans, and son, Dr. Richard Goodwin and his wife Ellen, and 5 grandchildren: Ian, Nathan and Mikaela Evans; and Janie and Gordon Goodwin; her mother, Vera Sue Schultz-Hamel, age 97, and two sisters, Patricia Cash and Betty Carper who all reside in Georgia.

Her husband, Gary, relates that she was the kindest most gentle and loving soul that he has ever met. Their wonderful memories made together must now sustain his existence on this Earth. She was a devout Christian and she is no doubt with her beloved Jesus in a new body in Heaven.

Services will be held at the New Life Church, 3971 Via Del Rey, Bonita Springs, Florida Monday, November 25th at 4:00 pm, reception to follow.

In lieu of flowers, the family is asking for donations to Moffitt Cancer Center at [Moffitt.org/give](http://Moffitt.org/give).

To sign her guest register or to leave online condolences please visit [www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com](http://www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com)

Arrangements have been entrusted to Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home and Crematory Family Owned and Operated Since 1978.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

NOV **25**. 4:00 PM (ET)

New Life Church  
3971 Via Del Rey  
Bonita Springs, FL 34134

# Tribute Wall



“ *Effie Jane Lee*

October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ *Effie was undoubtedly one of the finest, warmest, most thoughtful, loving, genuine Christian women we have ever been blessed to have known. Having known Gary prior to his meeting Effie I can attest to the happiness and joy that she brought into his life. Indeed we were all blessed to have known her and she will be terribly missed. Effie lived her life as Christian as He showed her the light, both in word and deed.  
With our love and prayers,  
Richard & Elizabeth Ryan*

Richard Ryan - November 25, 2019 at 12:31 AM



“ *Richard & Elizabeth Ryan purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Effie Jane Lee.*



Richard & Elizabeth Ryan - November 25, 2019 at 12:02 AM

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“ *Effie was such a precious soul. My first memory is meeting her and Gary at the Moffitt Cancer Center where she and my husband were both undergoing treatment. What I remember most about Effie was her beautiful smile and friendly and bubbly personality. As long as we knew her, she never allowed cancer to change her. She embodied love and sweetness! We loved having her join us in our cancer support group happy hours. I know she is still smiling on us. We miss her. OX, Susan*

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**SUSAN SHOLLE-MARTIN** - November 24, 2019 at 03:05 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Effie Jane Lee.*



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November 24, 2019 at 10:04 AM

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“ *Jennifer, Denver, Clayton, Austin, Jerry, Grace purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Effie Jane Lee.*



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**Jennifer, Denver, Clayton, Austin, Jerry, Grace** - November 23, 2019 at 01:10 PM