



Mrs. Josephine Clark Kimble

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Josephine (“Jo”) was born on March 15, 1940, to Major and Ida Bell Clark in Meeker, Louisiana. She was raised by her aunt and uncle, the late Clarence and Josephine Clark. Jo graduated from Carter C. Raymond High School in LeCompte, Louisiana, in 1957 and later attended Grambling State University.

Jo began her career in education with the Rapides Parish School Board in Alexandria, Louisiana, where she worked as a secretary starting in 1969. She met the love of her life, Steven Kimble, Jr., through her future father-in-law, a school bus driver who believed they would make a perfect match. They became engaged before Steven left to serve in Vietnam and were married in Alexandria, Louisiana, in 1969.

In 1971, Jo and Steven began their life together in Houston, Texas. Jo dedicated more than 40 years to serving special needs students in the field of education. Beginning in 1978, she worked at several schools in the Houston area, including Grimes Elementary School, Fondren Elementary School, Hobby Elementary School, and Dowling Middle School. Affectionately known as “Mama Jo,” she was known for her compassionate heart, her willingness to help others, and her selfless service to students and colleagues. She was a devoted wife and loving mother who cared deeply for her family and often expressed her outlook on life with the words, “If it’s God’s will.”

Jo was raised in the Baptist church but converted to Catholicism in 1971 at St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church. She remained a faithful and devoted member for more than 40 years, serving as a Eucharistic Lay Minister and volunteer. Jo and Steven emphasized the importance of family, community, and Christian faith, establishing a strong foundation for future generations.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Major and Ida Bell Clark; her husband, Steven Kimble, Jr.; her sisters, Rose Davis and Agnes Johnson; and her brothers, Clarence Clark and Jimmie Clark.

She leaves to cherish her memory her daughter, Stephanie Kimble Swain (Michael); her grandsons, Chase and Caeden Swain; her brother, Desoto Clark and a host of relatives and



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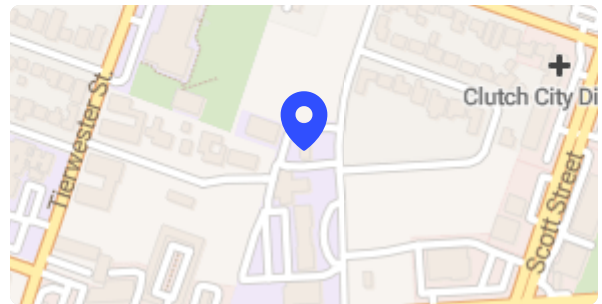
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Recital of the Rosary

Thursday, February 26, 2026

10:00 AM CT

St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church
6220 LaSalette St, Houston TX 77021

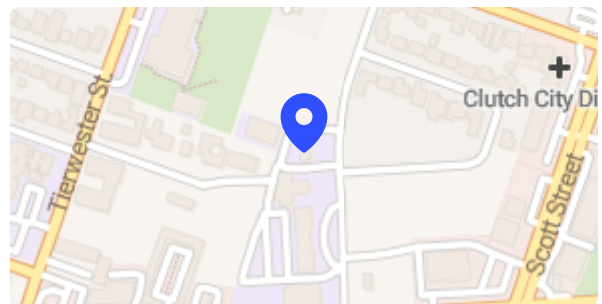


Reflections and Expressions

Thursday, February 26, 2026

10:20 AM - 10:50 AM CT

St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church
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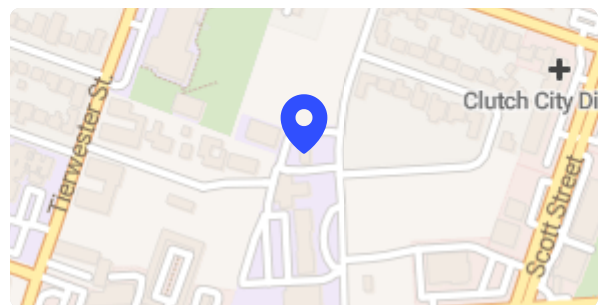


Mass of Christian Burial

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11:00 AM CT

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Cemetery Details

Houston National Cemetery
10410 Veterans Memorial Dr, Houston TX 77038



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Gloria West posted:

It is with a heavy heart that I share the passing of my dear neighbor and friend, whose presence brought warmth, kindness, and comfort to our community. They were more than just a neighbor—they were a part of my everyday life, someone I could count on, laugh with, and share moments big and small. Their generosity, gentle spirit, and genuine care for others made our neighborhood feel like home. I will always be grateful for the conversations, the support, and the friendship we shared. May their memory continue to shine through the lives they touched. My thoughts and prayers are with their family during this difficult time. They will be deeply missed and forever remembered.

February 24 at 10:37 AM



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Earl Sutherland And Family sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Kimble family.

February 23 at 12:10 PM



Earl Sutherland And Family planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Josephine.

February 23 at 12:10 PM





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Monica Charles lit a candle in honor of Josephine.

Aunt Jo, take your rest. This is one lady that never changed, always so sweet, kind and soft spoken and she would greet me with her little voice "hey baby". I remember a conversation we had about a year after I got married and moved away she asked me, baby are you happy because if not you know you can come on home, LOL. RIP Aunt Jo. Love you.



February 23 at 10:04 AM



Home Sweet Home sent a Pink Tribute Spray to the Kimble family.



February 22 at 11:27 AM



Jimmie, Anthony, Nicole Dean, Kim Bennet sent a Pink Tribute Spray to the Kimble family.



February 21 at 11:17 AM



Drjacqueline Chambers posted:

Mama Kimble, Thank you for your kindness, generosity, friendship, advice motherly care and concern. Until we see each other again. Your other daughter, Dr. Jacqueline "Jackie" Chambers

February 20 at 1:00 AM



Drjacqueline Chambers posted:

Mama Kimble, Thank you so much for your kindness, generosity, advice, protection, motherly care and concern. Until we see each other again, I remain: Your other daughter, Dr. Jacqueline "Jackie" Chambers

February 20 at 12:30 AM



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Jimmie Bennett Gasper posted:

Mrs. Kimble carried a softness that felt like home. With open arms and the gentlest kiss on the cheek, she made me feel seen, loved, and welcomed as family. Her kindness was quiet but powerful, the kind that stays with you long after the moment has passed. I will always carry her warmth in my heart. Steph, thank you for sharing her with me. My condolences, Jimmie

February 19 at 11:32 PM



Antoinette Davis lit a candle in honor of Josephine.

Aunt Jo will always be remembered as someone with an immense heart and angelic spirit that cared for all. RIP with THE LORD until I see you again. 🙏

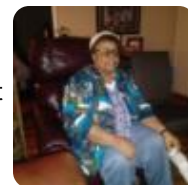
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Joycelyn Davis shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

I remember as a young girl when my Dad would drive from California to Texas, Aunt Josi would have the biggest smile on her face when we would arrive. We will miss you dearly.

February 19 at 9:59 PM



Lisa Johnson shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

I remember seeing Aunt Jo about a year ago. I asked her if she knew who I was and she said, you look familiar let me look at you. A few minutes later I said, it's Lisa and she said, if you wouldn't have all that grey hair I would've recognized you. ❤️ Aunt Jo was always such a sweet lady to me and would give her honest opinion on life and marriage. She will be truly missed. RIP Aunt Jo 🙏

February 19 at 7:43 PM





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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Josephine by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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