



## Lorraine A. Deja

July 24, 1921 - January 30, 2013

Lorraine A. Deja, 91, of Lincoln Township died Wednesday, January 30, 2013, at Eaton County Care Facility in Charlotte, Michigan.

A Mass celebrating her life will be held at 10 AM on Monday, February 4, at St. Joseph Catholic Church in St. Joseph. Burial will follow in Riverview Cemetery. The visitation will be from 2 PM to 5 PM on Sunday at the Dey-Florin Chapel of Florin Funeral Service in St. Joseph where a Prayer Service will be held at 4 PM. Memorials may be made to Lake Michigan Catholic Schools.

Lorraine was born on July 24, 1921 in Lincoln Township to Rush and Marie Scott. She married her husband, Andrew Deja, in 1942 and he preceded her in death in 2005. Together they celebrated 63 years of marriage. She was a hardworking housewife and farmer on the family farm. Lorraine was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church and active in the women's group over the years. She enjoyed playing the organ, reading, baking and gardening.

She is survived by her children, Catherine (William) O'Brien of Charlotte, Betty (David) Thibodeau of Springfield, Virginia, Raymond (Sharon) Deja of St. Joseph and Paul (Barbara) Deja of St. Joseph; her sister, Bernice Pagel, her 13 grandchildren, Chad Deja, Kevin Deja, Michael O'Brien, John Deja, Joseph, Thibodeau, David Thibodeau, Amanda Wildern, Beth Deja, Erin

Twizell, Amy Chambers, Tony Thibodeau, John Thibodeau, Michele Sanchez  
and 27 great grandchildren.

# Cemetery Details

## Riverview Cemetery

2925 Niles Rd  
Saint Joseph, MI 49085  
rvcemetery@parrett.net  
<http://www.sjcity.com/services/riverview.phtml>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 3. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Dey-Florin Chapel of Florin Funeral Service - Closed 2013  
2506 Niles Avenue  
St. Joseph, MI 49085  
(269) 983-1514  
staff@florin.net

## Prayer Service

FEB 3. 4:00 PM (ET)

Dey-Florin Chapel of Florin Funeral Service - Closed 2013  
2506 Niles Avenue  
St. Joseph, MI 49085  
(269) 983-1514  
staff@florin.net

## Service

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FEB 4. 10:00 AM (ET)

Saint Joseph Catholic Church  
211 Church St.  
St. Joseph, MI 49085  
<http://stjoestjoe.com>

# Tribute Wall

MW

“ *May the hope of Psalms 34:18 bring the family of Lorraine A. Deja much comfort during this time, God’s word assures us that he sees the difficulties and hard times that we go through. He will help you and your family in this time of sorrow. We can also look forward to a time when death will be no more (Revelation 21: 3, 4). Taking in accurate knowledge of the living God Jehovah assures us better times ahead.*

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**Mrs. Williams** - February 12, 2013 at 11:23 AM

HS

“ *Chad, Lori & Family,  
Thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.  
Heidi Siewert Schmaltz*

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**Heidi Siewert Schmaltz** - February 04, 2013 at 11:01 AM

PE

“ *Catherine, Betty, Ray and Paul*

*You had a great and loving Mom, I have many fond memories. Well, the gang is all together now, hope the good God has a great set of earplugs, I can almost hear the stories and laughter now. Pat Deja Essig*

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**Patricia Deja Essig** - February 04, 2013 at 09:02 AM

DG

“ *Betty and family,  
Thank you so much for letting me know about your mom, that was so thoughtful. I really wanted to be able to make it to your mom's visitation, but I'm afraid I won't be able to. We are getting ready to go to Lansing to be with Louanne. She has to have surgery on Tues and we hope to keep ahead of the weather. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you as you celebrate the life of a sweet, sweet lady. All my love, Donna*

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**Donna Godush** - February 03, 2013 at 11:25 AM

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**Margaret Hogeboom** - February 02, 2013 at 05:03 PM

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**Margaret Hogeboom** - February 02, 2013 at 05:01 PM

JM

“ *Jana Deja Marshall lit a candle in memory of Lorraine A. Deja*



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**Jana Deja Marshall** - February 01, 2013 at 02:11 PM

JM

*I will always remember Aunt Jo taking me to see Uncle Cork and Aunt Lorraine during my visits to Michigan. Fresh fruit, Gladiolas and a lot of laughter on the front porch. Our Earthly loss is Heaven's gain. Much Aloha from Hawaii.*

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**Jana Deja Marshall** - February 01, 2013 at 02:16 PM

SV

“ *Sharee' Burdick, Karen Anderson, Jenn Va lit a candle in memory of Lorraine A. Deja*



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**Sharee' Burdick, Karen Anderson, Jenn Va** - February 01, 2013 at 07:14 AM

SV

*Mandy and Family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. All our love. Sharee' Karen, & Jenn*

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**Sharee' Burdick, Karen Anderson, Jenn Va** - February 01, 2013 at 07:15 AM



“ *Some of my best memories from childhood are of picking berries on the Deja farm. Aunt Lorraine was both drill sergeant and mother to that ragtag crew of kids. We worked hard and laughed a lot. I wouldn't trade those days for anything. We'll sure miss her. We're half way around the world in Tanzania or we would be there to celebrate the life of this wonderful caring lady.*



*Dan and Sharon Deja*

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**Daniel Deja** - January 31, 2013 at 07:39 AM

JB

“ *Aunt Lorraine was my Godmother. The one thing I will always remember about her is her laughter - she was always happy! I loved going to the farm with my Dad to visit. Everyone sat on the porch and would tell stories and laugh! Those were great times when family took the time to just sit and visit. May you rest in peace now in heaven, Aunt Lorraine! Judy*

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**Judy Deja Benjamin** - January 31, 2013 at 07:20 AM

JB

“ *Judy Deja Benjamin lit a candle in memory of Lorraine A. Deja*



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**Judy Deja Benjamin** - January 31, 2013 at 07:15 AM