



Viola Gilmore

November 1, 1936 - October 13, 2008

FORT WORTH -- Viola Jean Gilmore passed away Monday, Oct. 13, 2008. Memorial service: will be at a later date. Survivors: Sons, Chris and Bobby Gilmore; daughter, Susan Nance; three grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and brother, Loren Whitish.

Tribute Wall

DR

“ I knew her as 'Granny', which was just a nickname, because she was a great neighbor - always had a smile on her face and a story to share. Thank you Susie, for sharing your mom with your friends and neighbors - she was like a mom to all of us. I wish I could have hung out with her more often! God bless you and Donnie. Granny is smiling down on you from heaven - we'll all cherish the good times we had with her while she was here and look forward to the times to come in the hereafter.

Dawn Richardson - December 08, 2008 at 05:44 PM

RG

“ Giving is a constant picture of you in my mind mother, dating back to 1955. God makes us, loves us, and asks little of us. You shared your gifts of giving with all. I hold close to me time we spent in this world, and know you are with the Lord for eternity, smiling down on us all. I Love you. You are in my thoughts daily and forever. I miss you. Bobby.

Robert G. - November 03, 2008 at 08:01 PM

SU

“ Happy Birthday Momma!

It's so lonely here without you. I miss my best friend and my heart aches for your company. I Love You Very Much.

....Susie

Susie - November 01, 2008 at 05:12 PM

TC

“ A beautiful spirit. Very generous and always thinking of her family. Will always remember her great cooking.

Tracie Crowder - October 29, 2008 at 12:32 PM

JS

“ My memories of grandma will forever be strong in my heart! She had a heart of gold and would leave you smiling for days. It takes a special person to light up a room and she was always the one. We love you and will always miss you!

Jennifer Stover - October 29, 2008 at 10:34 AM

TA

“ Dear Susie, I'm so very sorry to hear about Mom. I have so many great memories of her and will never forget her. My thoughts and prayers are with you Susie. Chris, Bobby & Donny, too. My heart is very heavy for all of you. If you need anything at all, someone to talk, a shoulder to cry on, I'm certainly here for you. There's nothing anyone can ever say or do to make it better. I'll keep you all in my prayers. Love, Tammy

Tammy - October 26, 2008 at 11:48 PM

AN

“ I know that losing Vi has left a huge hole in everyone’s life that knew and loved her. As a mother myself, I know the best way to honor her memory is for her children to continue to love and take care of one another. Always cherish the memories you all have of her and treasure the fact that she got to take one last trip that gave her a lot of pleasure.

The evening that Vi passed, Cindy and Chris were sitting on the couch in their usual spots and talking about Vi passing and I know their hearts were heavy. Bam-Bam, their only child (in the form of a little feathered bird) kept hopping up and down from Cindy’s lap and back onto it. I thought “That is so strange that he acts so happy, because pets pick up on their owner’s emotions, and I know they are sad beyond belief”. Later I read a poem that was from my own mother’s funeral. It was about how our loved ones are not really gone, but are still here in the form of the wind that blows and the sun that shines, etc. A day or two later, I was still thinking of this and how little Bam-Bam kept hopping around so happily and it occurred to me that maybe that was Vi’s spirit trying to tell us that she was happy and free from pain.

Chris and Susie, I could never make your mother’s wonderful paella and will probably never understand football, but if you ever need a mother’s ear and/or heart, please know that I am here for you.

Your other “Mom”....

Ann (Nichols)

Ann Nichols - October 24, 2008 at 01:53 PM

RO

“ My grandmother was a special lady to have in my life and i can still remember when i was a little kid her taking care of me. I loved being in her presence because she always had a happy glow about her. I wish i could have seen you more grandma and i love and miss you.

Ross - October 24, 2008 at 11:58 AM

PA

“ My heart is with your family in this time of need. Know that your mom is looking down on all of us till we all meet again. Peace be with you.

Patsy/Vickey - October 23, 2008 at 08:12 AM

IN

“ I'll miss her great smile and wonderful laugh. You guys were blessed with a great mom.

Inez - October 22, 2008 at 10:17 PM

DN

“ What can I say that hasn't been said already by all of the people who have already lite a candle? For one thing she was the best mother-in-law a guy could ever have. How many guys watch football all weekend with their mother-in-law? The last meal she cooked was my favorite....chicken fried steak, even though she was not feeling well that day. That is who she was, always giving and loving. She was like a second mom to me, and losing her was just as hard as losing my first. She will always be missed and never forgotten. Love you always mom!!!

Donny Nance - October 22, 2008 at 09:46 PM

JO

“ Mom, I recieved a card today from Joyce that had me crying before I ever finished it. She cherished every moment you two had together. There were so many good memories that the both of you shared.....When I called her the other night, we cried and then we laughed. You two together, kept me busy sometimes!!! And may be someday, I'll share those times with my brothers. Love You Mom!!!!sq

Joyce - October 22, 2008 at 12:44 AM

MB

“ To Momma from her "kids" meaning all of our wonderful little stray cats, they miss you so much especially Ozzie! I caught him sleeping with Zabie a couple of times, unfortunately, not on your bed, because no one wants to disturb your space. Since your bedroom has been empty, I presume even in the animal world, that it is a sacred place and no one wants to be disrespectful. I know they miss their Mommy! They are lost just as much as your daughter is, but in time, they will just have to deal with Donny & I. Please Mom, send your Love to them and let the "skiddish ones" know, that we will not hurt them in any way! May your spirit guide let me, for the first time, pet Punkin and put flea treatment on him. Momma, I miss you so much and I know you are watching over us. I Love You. sq

Mom's Babies - October 22, 2008 at 12:28 AM

MA

“ Wonderful and kind, generous, loved unqualified, listened, required little, appreciated much. Loved with all of her heart and soul. This was the Vi Gilmore that I knew and loved with all my heart. Vi enriched my life in ways I cannot begin to articulate in this forum. I am a better person because of her. Vi had very special gifts, one that few ever come close to having. I love you with all my heart Vi, today and always. My memories of you are carefully wrapped and will be handled with delicate care. I love you, I love you...Marty

Marty - October 21, 2008 at 10:05 PM

OL

“ My prayers are with you and your family during this hard hard time.

Olivia - October 21, 2008 at 07:55 PM

JE

“ My prayers are with you and I am grateful to have had the chance to meet such a wonderful, sweet person.

Jenn / Emma - October 21, 2008 at 06:08 PM

JW

“ We loved the day you came to the office and brightened our day. We felt like we knew you from your wonderful daughter. She is the spitting image of you. God Bless.

Jackie Wright - October 21, 2008 at 06:07 PM

KE

“ I will never forget the day that I was blessed to meet such a loving caring mother!! She will truly be missed by all!!

Kendra - October 21, 2008 at 05:44 PM

SJ

“ My thoughts and prayers will always be with you...we sure are gonna miss all the home cooked meals!!!! Love, Stacii (AKA, Ashley)

stacii st john - October 21, 2008 at 03:50 PM

DS

“ to Susie,Chris,Bobby i send my love and gratefulness to have meet my Mama Vi in i think 1968, time goes by so fast, Vi was a wonderful person and a second mother to me all the way in Florida, my memories are so clear as if it were just yesterday, she was kind,loving and a very simple person that touched everyone she meet. She would do anything for you. I will miss you so much. It is hard to write this because I lost my mother to cancer 3 yrs ago and my father passed 2 years ago, and now mama vi has gone to join them, i cry today for the joy of knowing she is in a better place and is now my angle, along with Lewis and Charlene. The world is now alittle more empty with her gone and i will miss her, But as i look up i see one more bright star that will shine to let me know it is all right. And one day we will all be together. Mama Vi you wrote to me in my birthday card and i am so happy that i received that love and the good-bye i know that you were tired and in pain. You will be missed deeply, I will never forget you or the love you passed my way. May you rest knowing your work is done here. with deep love and respect your other daughter Dona Skaggs

Dona Skaggs - October 20, 2008 at 02:32 PM

KS

“ Chris and Cindy you are in my thoughts and prayers. I hope that all of your wonderful memories will sustain you during this very sad and difficult time.

Kimberly Spock - October 20, 2008 at 10:27 AM

DJ

“ We are so sorry about your mom! Our thoughts are with you both. If there is anything we can do for you, please let us know. We love you both very much!

David and JB - October 20, 2008 at 10:21 AM

CI

“ My mother in law. Known to me as Mom. She lived life to the fullest, everything was a joy. She gave 100% of herself to her family friends. Whom ever she came into contact with was touched by her kindness. She loved me unconditionally. We shared new cooking techniques together. When I would visit she would always have something new to eat that was always outstanding. I will never know another person like her. I miss her phone calls and sweet sweet voice already. I love you mom and I plan on seeing you in heaven.

CINDY - October 19, 2008 at 11:33 PM

CH

“ Mom was a special lady every one loved her. We all wanted to have her in our homes, family and friends. She loved every body and was my best friend and my football partner. She loved me even in my down times. I will miss her beyond words. I love you mom. Chris

chris - October 19, 2008 at 11:18 PM

SU

“ My Mom was a wonderful lady! Everyone she met instantly liked her. Mom was actually born in Finnemore WI in a little house. When growing up, mom was a mom to all of our friends. Everywhere we went together, we found something to laugh about and always enjoyed each other's company up until the time she left us. My mom was loved very much and will be missed dearly.

Susie - October 18, 2008 at 02:09 PM

SU

“ *My Mom was a wonderful Lady! Everyone who came in contact with her, instantly liked her. To our friends, she was their mom as well. (Mom was actually born in Finnemore WI). I loved her so much and she will be deeply missed. Wherever we went together, we always had fun and shared lots of laughter, even up to her last final days. Her kids and friends lost a very special lady, and now we have a very special Guardian Angel to watch over us....Mom, I miss you so much and loved you more than you will ever know.... Susie*

Susie - October 17, 2008 at 07:30 PM